

## Communication from Public

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RE: Council File 13-1339, Support add toyon and elderberry to  
Protected Tree Ordinance

Council Committees: Planning and Land Use Management Committee,  
Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee

The Oaks Homeowners Association supports adding Mexican elderberry  
and toyon to the Protected Tree Ordinance's list of species.

Both species are in the hills of our residential area which borders  
Griffith Park and other hillside residential communities. The hillsides  
here are typified with many undeveloped lots which provide corridors  
and habitat for wildlife. These two native habitat "shrub" species are  
important to our native fauna since they co-evolved with each other.

Unfortunately, we have been losing these two species at a rapid rate due  
to development, but just as much through over-aggressive brush  
clearance. These two species need better protection.

Thank you,

*Holly Purcell*

President