

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Los Angeles Zoo Vision Plan. As an Angeleno and California Naturalist who understands the significant, urgent need to protect native habitat for climate resilience and adaptation, I am opposed to Alternative 1.5. There are many great elements of Alternative 1.5, like the focus on sustainability, conservation, equity, removing of non-native plants and putting in native plants, solar panels, water storage, and more multi-modal transportation/access into the Zoo. The downside, however, is that the plan would still allow for the destruction of 16 acres of wild land. I oppose this portion of the plan. Excavating 16 acres of natural land is detrimental to wildlife and to the ecosystem that supports our very existence. Negative effects include but are not limited to: more desertification, less water infiltration, slope instability, less oxygen provided by plants, and more releasing of greenhouse gases that further contribute to the climate crisis. Please revise the plan further to better repurpose the Zoo's existing footprint rather than allow for further "urbanization"/destruction of the Zoo's precious wild land. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Comments for Public Posting: Do not approve the plan with an increase in parking. We are spending billions of dollars to develop a city and society that moves beyond car ownership and dependency. There is enough parking. Take this money that would have been invested into the expanded parking lot and reinvest in better transit to the zoo. Specifically metro bike share, a better transit center at the zoon and improved stations along the way if possible to add to this scope.