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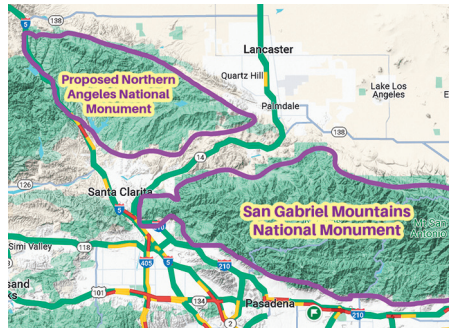
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SAN GABRIEL NATIONAL MONUMENT EXPANSION

By John Monsen

President Obama established the 346,000-acre San Gabriel Mountains National Monument almost a decade ago. On March 3rd, President Biden expanded the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by another 106,000 acres, protecting two-thirds of the 700,000-acre Angeles National Forest. The President acted under the authority of the Antiquities Act, which allows him to protect important scientific, cultural, ecological, and historical resources on federal public lands.

Local Sierra Club members were jubilant. "It took ten years of organizing, but today we can celebrate another victory for our magnificent backyard national forest," said Juana Torres, Chair of the Angeles Chapter's Forest Committee. "We still need additional protections for the 200,000 acres of Angeles National Forest north of Santa Clarita. But today, we can celebrate and appreciate how far we have



Newly expanded San Gabriel Mountains National Monument and the Proposed Northern Angeles National Monument.

Credit: John Monsen from Google Maps

come."

Rep. Judy Chu (D-Pasadena) and California Senator Alex Padilla have been major elected champions of the expansion. "For Angelenos, the San Gabriel Mountains have been a lifelong connection to nature," said California Senator Padilla. "For many low-income families in the Los Angeles area, this is the only access to green space and the health benefits that come with it."

The Los Angeles National Forest, including the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument, is an oasis of the wild adjacent to 18 million people. The newly expanded monument includes the historic Mount Lowe Railway, which opened in 1893 and brought residents from Pasa-

dena and other nearby areas to the top of Echo Mountain.

The remaining section of the Angeles National Forest that still needs protection through a national monument designation is located north of Santa Clarita (see map), between I-5 and CA-14. The Northern Angeles National Forest is a biodiversity hotspot and a hub of wildlife corridors.

This section of our backyard forest holds cultural significance with artifacts of Indigenous Peoples who lived here for thousands of years. Their stories must also be told, and their sacred sites must be preserved. This section of forest features impressive views of the area's magnificent canyons and complex geology influenced by the San Andreas Fault.

"As we celebrate the monument expansion, we are getting ready for the final step in upgrading protection for the Angeles National Forest," said Sandra Cattell, Chair of the Santa Clarita Group and Forest Committee Member. "We need to build the same level of support for the Northern Angeles as the Sierra Club, Nature for All, and others built for the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument."

The effort to expand the monument and to add its northern neighbor benefits greatly from the long-time support of Sierra Club field staffer Rob Morales and Angeles Chapter staff Kim Orbe and Morgan Goodwin.

SECURING A HUGE WIN FOR CLEAN AIR AND BUILDING ELECTRIFICATION

Regions Air Regulator Agency takes a Major step forward in our fight to clean the air and invest in zero-emissions solutions

By Kimberly Orbe, Senior Conservation Program Manager

We have much to celebrate from June's South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) Governing Board Meeting, the local agency responsible for setting standards to clean up our air. There were three items that the Sierra Club has been working with the community on for YEARS. The Sierra Club mobilized with over 15 of our movement partners to Rally for Clean Air. With over one hundred clean air advocates, we rallied to demonstrate solidarity across our movements and our work on the various rules that have huge impacts and benefits for cleaning up the



Sierras, partner organizations, and community members celebrate groundbreaking wins at the SCAQMD. Photo by Megan Spatz

air in our region.

We had three wins:

The Governing Board set a date for the rule required for cleaning up our existing toxic rails. The date was set for August. This has been years in the making, with EJ community leading this work.

A big win to begin holding refineries and other large polluters accountable and an end to giving a free pass on ozone nonattainment fees. This is a one step towards beginning to address the injustices that have harmed our communities.

WE MADE HISTORY! This is the nation's (probably the world's) first zero-emission standard for boilers by passing rule 114.6.2.

By adopting rule 114.6.2, the South

Coast Air Quality Management District made one of the biggest moves to reduce air pollution in the past decade! This rule will require a transition to phase out certain kinds of natural-gas-fired water-heating equipment in homes and businesses across the region. Pool and hot tub owners to go electric. This is the biggest emission-reducing rule since the refinery rule in 2021. 114.6.2 will replace more than 1 million gas-burning appliances with zero-emissions technology in the next decade.

The impacts of these rules on clean air are monumental, benefiting the over 17 million people who reside in the SCAQMD which includes: Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside and part of San Bernardino.

It was an energizing moment to see our community in action and standing and let the SCAQMD know we will continue to turn out to ensure strong regulations are set in our region to transition all our sectors from polluting fossil fuel sources, to clean, zero-emission.

Our work towards zero-emissions equipment continues! This is just the beginning. We will begin working on rules that will tackle residential emissions. If you are passionate about clean air and combating climate change, we hope you are inspired to volunteer and organize with us.

CHAPTER CULMINATES THE SECOND COHORT OF CLIMATE ACTIVISTS

Activists Academy Grads Begin Organizing on Chapter Climate Campaigns

By Apriori Diaz

In the past three months, the Activist Academy 2024 program has created a space for young leaders to find a home for their activism. After yet another successful session, the 2024 program has come to a close. However, their activist journeys have just begun. I am more than honored to have experienced this program for a second year in a row and learned alongside 20 new brilliant and passionate young activists, who want the same thing I do for all of our communities - an environmentally and socially just future. An exciting addition to this year's program was introducing Campaign Actions teams. Participants of the Activist Academy will be organizing for one of four major Sierra Club campaigns; Building Electrification, 30x30, Beyond Dirty Fuels, and Clean Transportation. Using the knowledge and skills the participants have learned in the Activist Academy, they will host an action that helps bring us closer to achieving one of the campaign goals. An experience the activists of this year's cohort are thrilled to participate in, to get hands-on organizing experience but also make a direct impact in our efforts to fight climate change.

Why is the Activist Academy so important to young leaders like myself? Because we are a part of the demographics most affected by the impacts of climate change. The Activist Academy is a leadership program designed for young activists eager to engage in the climate justice movement. It aims to equip them with the necessary skills to combat climate change and advocate for



Activist Academy participants, trainers, and Activist Academy Doggo Mochi photographed at last program session.

climate justice. The inaugural cohorts of 2023 and 2024 primarily consisted of participants from BIPOC communities in the LA and Orange County areas, who are directly affected by local polluters and environmental racism built into communities of color.

The Activist Academy has continued to grow into a program that centers the voices of these participants and the communities they represent. Introducing participants to important organizing concepts is next in line with the collective effort we all make to create a community that centers justice in our work but also joy.

We are excited to see what this year's Activists will do in the upcoming months as they have begun working with their peers in planning an action. These are campaign-specific actions that they will co-create together while working with chapter volunteer leaders, and local national campaign staff. This is something the chapter is proud of as we strengthen our commitment to invest in the next generation of climate leaders, build power in our campaigns, and give leadership opportunities for young leaders to organize with the chapter.

Thanks to the Activist Academy, I am looking forward to continuing my climate work back home in Chicago. I am leaving my internship knowing that so many more people will be inspired and affected by cohorts in the years to come.

THE OC SIERRAN

By Ed Mauer

President Reagan famously said during a visit to Orange County back in 1981: "Well, I am delighted to be back here, and I've had a day in which it's just fitting that I should be here in the place that I've often described as where the Republicans go before they die." Now, more than forty years later, many Reagan Republicans have died, and very live Democrats have taken their place. Despite this new, purple coloring here behind the "Orange Curtain", much remains different from Los Angeles County. For one thing, our population density is higher: LA has 2500 inhabitants per square mile, OC 4000. Our traffic is as congested as everywhere else, but OC freeways and roads are newer and not as afflicted by potholes. OC residents make more money: our average household income is about \$25K higher than LA's. EV sales are 30% of new car sales in OC, and only 25% in LA. Finally, and Ronald Reagan would not like this: the OC Registrar of voters currently counts 676,474 registered Democrats and 618,515 Republicans, a 10% spread; in LA county, the difference is almost 25%! Alas, in OC's rich economic and political brew, environmental issues are often given short shrift, and the Sierra Club's views and values direly need to be heard. The goal of the OC Sierran is to inform and educate our readers about environmental issues in the county and to improve communications with Club members, supporters, friends, and the entire OC environmental community.

Six times a year, the OC Sierran reaches about 23,000 emails

of all 4 Club entities in Orange County, about 25% of the Angeles Chapter's contacts. We focus on what's important to our recipients: the concerns and activities of their groups as well as county-wide issues.

These include the lack of interest in dealing with climate change among many, too many, of our city councils. Notorious Huntington Beach is often cited in the context of the culture war, but environmental concerns are targets as much as books.

Our county is famous for its beautiful, planned communities, and their developers continue to plan expensive new communities in the WUI (wildlife urban interface) rather than building affordable housing in in-fill areas. Right now, the Sierra Club is part of a coalition fighting an Irvine Company development in the city of Orange.

Our Conservation Committee was part of a group of organizations successfully fighting the construction of a desalination plant in Huntington Beach that would have resulted in great damage to marine life.

A lawsuit brought by a group of environmental organizations including the Sierra Club successfully stopped the development of a toll road through pristine areas inland of San Juan Capistrano and San Clemente. The Club is currently wrapping up this case in discussing the distribution of the funds for conservation resulting from this legal action.

These are a few of the matters the OC Sierran keeps an eye on and/or plans to write about. Some of our reporting exceeds the current format of the OC Sierran, and material is placed on our websites; however, the starting point of all our articles and stories is the OC Sierran. Especially during an election year, it is important that our members receive all the information they need to make fact-based choices.

Activities

Outings

The Sierra Club has many outings every week! Here's a small selection! You can look at https://angeles.sierraclub.org/outings_events for a complete list of events and activities

STEVE FELD PUENTE HILLS CONDITIONING HIKE

WED, JUL 10, 2024; 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

This weekly Wednesday evening conditioning hike has been going on for over 20 years. Come out and be part of the continuing tradition. Moderately paced 5-6-mile hike in the lush canyons of the Puente/Whittier Hills.

POTLUCK PICNIC AT CASA ADOBE

SUN, JUL 14, 2024; 5:00 PM

Join us at Casa Adobe (1330 Dorothy Dr, Glendale, CA 91202) for our annual summer picnic. Meet and socialize with old friends

and new. The picnic takes the place of our July meeting.

GRIFFITH PARK NIGHT CONDITIONING HIKES

TUESDAYS, 7PM - 9PM

Evening conditioning hikes range from moderate to very strenuous over hilly, sometimes steep terrain with uneven footing; simultaneous hikes are offered at a variety of levels. This is a front country outing.

HIKE TURTLE ROCK TRAILS, IRVINE

SAT, AUG 17, 2024; 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

We will explore all around French Hill and at different times to keep it interesting, take the Shady Canyon trail or hike on over to Bommer Canyon..

TRAIL WORK IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS

SAT, OCT 5, 2024; 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Organized By: Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom

Location: Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area

We are the "Trailies" of the Santa Monica Mountains Task Force! Join us on Saturday mornings, October-June, from 8:30am until lunch, as little or as often as your availability allows. Our work as a volunteer trail maintenance crew includes trimming back overgrown vegetation; repairing erosion; removing invasive non-native plants; installing bridges, steps, signage, and other structures... and much more.

Schedule of Activities

We print our Schedule of Activities three times per year, in addition to posting all outings, meetings and events on schedule.angsc.org. If you'd like to receive a printed Schedule of Activities, please send \$10 to Sierra Club, 617 W 7th St, Suite 702, Los Angeles, CA 90017 with a note requested a 'printed schedule of activities'.

Travel Adventures and Fundraising Trips

Travel Adventures offer an unparalleled opportunity to visit special places throughout the world, with domestic and international trips longer than a week to prized destinations, and are led by our most experienced volunteer leaders. Proceeds for these Travel Adventures are important fundraisers which provide vital support for the work of the Angeles Chapter while **Featured** Events directly support the work of the hosting Sectional Group or Entity.

For more adventures, go to: https://angeles.sierraclub.org/outdoors/featured_events

LONG BEACH HARBOR CRUISE AND AQUARIUM OF THE PACIFIC - AUG 25TH, 2024

ORGANIZED BY: VERDUGO HILLS GROUP

Explore Long Beach Harbor on a 45-minute narrated tour of one of the most active ports in the world. Then enjoy the beautiful and amazing exhibits at the Aquarium of the Pacific, including sea otters, sharks, sea jellies and more.

HARWOOD LODGE OKTOBERFEST FUNDRAISER - OCT 5TH - OCT 6TH, 2024

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Enjoy clear mountain air, hiking, music, relaxation, blue skies and beautiful mountain views and celebrate the beginning of Fall at Harwood Lodge. Musicians bring your instruments. Newcomers welcome.

Includes hikes to the Waterfall and a special hike with California Professional Geologist, Jay Schneider.

Includes Saturday and Sunday hikes, Happy Hour, lodge fees, Saturday night dinner, Sunday breakfast.

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& culture of Nepal. This takes the best of our previous trips and we have added a lot more sights. The 14 day trip encompasses observing wildlife in Nepal's premier national park, seeing the highest Mountains in the world, experience the culture and history of Nepal and the wildlife visiting many UNESCO World Heritage Sites or nominated Sites. You will also learn about the religion and culture of the Nepalese.

For reservations and more information please contact Fred Dong madelinesdad@earthlink.net (818) 545-3878, Stephanie Gross madelinesmother@gmail.com (818) 720-4200



Asian Rhino in Chitwan National Park, photo by leader Fred Dong

& Outings

TOTALITY IN TEXAS

The Angeles Chapter led 50 Sierran's to view the total solar eclipse

Sat April 6

The Sierra Club is known for its early & punctual hike starts, but LAX at 5 am was a pre-dawn record for 50 of us, flying out to Dallas, Texas to see the rare, total Eclipse of the sun. We landed at noon and stopped in Grapevine, Texas to enjoy a beef brisket lunch at Harvest Hall. Off the LBJ Freeway, we arrived at the Holiday Inn Express to relax & wander looking for local Tex-Mex food & music that first night.

Sun April 7

Up again early, we headed downtown to the Dallas World Aquarium to see exotic birds & endangered animals. We drove by Lucca, a kinetic wind sculpture and the JFK assassination site on Elm St. before driving to the Dallas Arboretum & Botanical Gardens where we were promised to see thousands of tulips in bloom. Alas, they had all withered in the Texas sun the week before but we walked the 60 acres next to White Rock Lake. We did see the many Texan Bluebonnets (texan lupine) along the highways, lasting legacy of Lady Bird Johnson.

Mon April 8 TOTAL ECLIPSE DAY!

We woke up super excited, grabbed a quick breakfast and left, checking the skies. Partial sun gave us hope. We traveled south to Kaufman, to Zoofari Park on the Eclipse centerline, only to arrive in dense ground fog. We panicked so our leaders decided to turn around & head back to Dallas, where we found mostly cloudy skies. Our ever-helpful bus driver Charles suggested Samuell-Garland Park in northwest Dallas, and we arrived at 10:30 am to an empty soccer field to wait until the eclipse started at 12:23 pm. Clouds prevented views of the partial Eclipse, building to the total Eclipse at 1:40 pm. After a picnic lunch, we all used our Eclipse glasses, when a breeze came up. Suddenly, the sun appeared through the clouds! We yelled out loud and adjusted our cameras. Skies were darkening around us quickly, in an eerie twilight. Then, a miracle happened. We all gasped as a fleeting but a full, clear view of the moon's shadow covered the sun! With a naked eye, I saw Jupiter, Mars, Venus & Mercury. Using binoculars, I saw the neon-pink corona gases, ejecting like a halo off the sun's surface. Then, all too soon, the diamond ring flashed, as the



Moving towards totality, photo by Fred Dong

moon moved to reveal a tiny bit of the sun's strong light once again. To me, it lasted less than the 4+ minutes predicted. Maybe 3+ minutes? Still, we were cheering to see what we had traveled to Texas to see. I did not want to leave that small soccer field after witnessing such a rare mystery of the heavens. The rest of the day was a blur, re-living the minutes of totality to remember it.

Tues April 9

We left Dallas to head south to Austin and got hit by an intense thunder, lightening & hard, rain storm. After a famous Black's BBQ patio lunch, we had a state capital tour and heard about Texas history. It was muggy hot but the bus had cool AC and we arrived in San Antonio for

a 4 pm narrated River Walk boat Cruise. After a Tex-Mex dinner, later that night, a hard rain fell on the Hyatt's roof & woke me up.

Wed April 10 - Sat April 13

The rest of the week was filled with outings! We toured four historic San Antonio Missions, the the Spanish Governor's Palace in downtown San Antonio and the San Fernando Cathedral, the oldest operating church in Texas and where some were lucky to see an evening laser show on the walls. We ate at a historic BBQ place in Lockhart, Chisholm Trail and hiked around a lake in Brazos Bend State Park. Some folks explored the underground tunnels of Houston, 95 blocks of shopping, food, etc. But others went to visit the Houston Space Center! A highlight of the trip for me, especially the tour of the historic Mission Control Center for all of the Apollo flights. Exhibits inside the grand space hall included astronauts explaining living on the space station. And the Artemis project is going back to the moon, where it will be a launching spot for Mars! Lots of school kids were there, learning about their future.

What a week! THANKS to our awesome leaders - Fred Dong, Stephanie Gross, Donna Specht & Cathy Kissinger.

Truly, it was an ECLIPSE trip to remember.

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COMMUNITY TURNS OUT TO OPPOSE DECADES OF NEW OIL DRILLING IN SIGNAL HILL

Advocates Filled City Council Chambers To Oppose Signal Hill Petroleum's Plan

By Hailey Gardiner, Communications Assistant

In an inspiring display of community action, dozens of concerned residents and advocates gathered at Signal Hill City Hall to oppose Signal Hill Petroleum's proposed 20-year extension of oil drilling operations. The plan, which would allow for 46 new oil wells in the densely populated city, was met with significant resistance during a public hearing designed to gather feedback on the draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR).

The City of Signal Hill and Signal Hill Petroleum have been closely intertwined for the last 100 years, with the city originally founded to avoid Long Beach's oil drilling taxes. However, this historical relationship was challenged as over 50 community members, local groups, and Sierra Club volunteers packed the city council chambers, exceeding seating capacity. They came to voice their concerns and demand a shift from the status quo of accommodating the oil company's interests.

Sierra Club representatives delivered a petition signed by nearly 600 people, underscoring widespread opposition. Throughout the hearing, dozens of residents, scientists, organizers, homeowners, and community members presented public comments critiquing the EIR. They highlighted the illogical claim that extending drilling for another 20 years would be better for the environment than halting operations.

One resident voiced a common sentiment: "I'm not a scientist, but this doesn't make any sense." This was met with an acknowledgment from the Community Development Director, validating the residents' skepticism. Questions were raised about the public health implications of the project, particularly regarding volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and the safety of drilling near homes and schools.

Residents shared personal stories, including raising children next to wells, neighbors suffering from cancer, and witnessing illegal toxic dumping. Not a single comment supported the project, reflecting a unified community stance against further drilling.

The public comment period for the draft EIR ends on June 24th at 5 PM. Residents and supporters are encouraged to submit their comments via email to en-



Canvassers gather in Signal Hill to prepare postcards and strategize door to door outreach. Photo by Megan Spatz

sure their voices are heard. There are also calls for extending the comment period to August 8th, allowing more time for public review and legal analysis.

Signal Hill's community has mobilized impressively, canvassing over 1,000 homes and sending more than 1,000 postcards to inform residents about the project. Many residents learned about the proposal only through these grassroots efforts, as the city had not provided adequate information, particularly in Spanish and Khmer.

The next steps involve finalizing the EIR, after which it will be reviewed by the Planning Commission before a final decision is made by the city council. The city's timeline aims to conclude this process by late fall, before the upcoming elections, though the volume of comments and required responses might delay this.

To support the cause, those outside Signal Hill can submit requests for a comment extension to Colleen Doan at cdoan@cityof-signalhill.org. The extension aims to provide additional time for thorough public engagement and expert review of the EIR.

Local activist Madison Alvara from Climate Brunch emphasized the health risks associated with the proposed drilling expansion, noting its potential to increase asthma, cancer, and other health issues due to toxic air pollution. Nicole Levin, Senior Field Organizer with Sierra Club, called for a reduction in oil drilling to protect public health and the environment.

This collective effort demonstrates the community's resolve to protect their city from the detrimental impacts of prolonged oil drilling, advocating for a healthier and more sustainable future for Signal Hill.

We're not going to stop organizing, educating, and fighting until our communities are safe from oil drilling



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Rachel Carson, author of Silent Spring. Official photo as FWS employee. c. 1940. Courtesy of US Fish and Wildlife Service

Remembering Rachel Carson

Rachel Carson was an American marine biologist, author, and conservationist. She is best known for her pioneering work in environmental science and her influential book "Silent Spring," inspiring one of the most powerful conservation movements in our history. When Rachel Carson died of cancer in 1964, she left a sizable donation to the Sierra Club, including royalties from "Silent Spring." Her activism became the

beacon of hope for conservationists to carry on her legacy of fighting for our fragile planet.

Rachel Carson's legacy led the Sierra Club to create the Rachel Carson Society, designed to honor and recognize individuals who name the Sierra Club Foundation or the Sierra Club in their estate plans.

Planning an estate gift to the Angeles Chapter is a beautiful way to sustain our environment for decades to come. Legacy gifts are not exclusive to people of sizable wealth; in fact, the most meaningful gifts have come from members who shared a powerful story along with a modest donation.

From how you first fell in love with nature to the cause that sits at the front of your heart, we all have a story to tell. What is yours?

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Mobilize for the Election

This fall, join Sierra Club members in mobilizing for our priority candidates. Four congressional districts in our chapter are hanging in the balance, and could determine an environmental congress... or not. Sign up as an individual or as your group or section at angsc.org/PolAction



In February and March, dozens of Sierra Club members knocked on doors, wrote postcards and sent text messages for our priority campaigns. Can you commit to joining for a Saturday or two in September or October?

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