

PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

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5.		Favor	Ana-Alicia Carr	
			Bill Henderson	I urge the Board of Supervisors to prioritize the unique needs of rural communities, especially those in the Antelope Valley, when allocating Proposition 4 climate bond funds. Rural residents face distinct challenges, including water scarcity, wildfire risks, air quality issues, and limited access to public services, which require targeted and equitable investment. I recommend prioritizing projects that: Enhance water resilience through groundwater recharge, rainwater harvesting, and drought-resistant landscaping. Address wildfire prevention and management with firebreaks, fuel reduction, and emergency preparedness initiatives. Improve air quality by mitigating windblown dust and reducing pollution sources. Expand green spaces and recreational opportunities, ensuring rural communities have equitable access to parks and outdoor activities. Support sustainable farming and soil conservation efforts that benefit both the environment and local agricultural economies. These investments will not only address pressing climate and environmental issues but also ensure that rural communities, which are often underserved, have the resources we need to thrive in the face of climate change.

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5.		Favor	Jerry Hubbard	I am writing to express my strong support for using Proposition 4 funding to advance bioremediation projects as part of Los Angeles County's efforts to address environmental restoration, climate resilience, and environmental justice. Specifically, I urge the Board to prioritize funding for innovative bioremediation initiatives that integrate science, sustainability, and community collaboration.
				Bioremediation is a transformative approach to restoring contaminated land (e.g. brownfields) using natural systems such as fungi, plants, and microbes. It provides a cost-effective, environmentally friendly solution to rehabilitate polluted sites, particularly brownfields in underserved communities, while fostering biodiversity and resilience.
				A leading example of this work is Dr. Danielle Stevenson, a multidisciplinary scientist and environmental problem-solver whose expertise in phytomycoremediation has transformed how we address soil contamination. Through programs such as Healing City Soils and the youth Bioremediation Workforce Development Program with Friends of the Los Angeles River, Dr. Stevenson has demonstrated how bioremediation can engage communities, empower youth, and revitalize degraded lands for sustainable uses.
				Integrating bioremediation into LA County's climate action plans would support equitable revitalization and align with the County's goals for sustainability, environmental justice, and innovative climate solutions. Projects like Dr. Stevenson's not only address pressing environmental challenges but also foster public health and long-term community benefits.
				I respectfully urge the Board to allocate Prop 4 funds toward bioremediation projects, particularly those that involve community participation and address historically underserved areas. This would be a critical step in leveraging nature-based solutions to build a healthier, more sustainable, and more equitable future for all residents of LA County.
			Joseph Coppinger	LA County should prioritize funding received through Proposition 4 to address climate resilience, environmental justice, and community access in ways that maximize long-term benefits for both people and ecosystems. A strategic approach should focus on the following areas:
				Wildfire Prevention and Resilience Hazard Reduction: Invest in wildfire fuel management, including clearing invasive species and maintaining defensible spaces near urban-wildland interfaces. Community Preparedness: Support initiatives to educate communities on wildfire risks and develop evacuation and response plans. Climate-Resilient Reforestation: Prioritize reforestation projects using native species to restore fire-damaged landscapes and enhance carbon

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	sequestration. 2. Protection and Restoration of Open Space Land Acquisition: Secure undeveloped lands in at-risk or high-priority areas, particularly in the Santa Monica Mountains and other critical ecosystems. Habitat Restoration: Restore native ecosystems, including wetlands, riparian areas, and forests, to enhance biodiversity and improve climate resilience. Wildlife Corridors: Expand and protect wildlife corridors to facilitate species migration and genetic diversity. 3. Urban Greening and Heat Mitigation Tree Planting and Maintenance: Increase tree canopy coverage in underserved and heat-vulnerable communities to reduce urban heat islands. Green Infrastructure: Develop parks, green roofs, and other urban greening projects to improve water management and reduce heat impacts. 4. Equitable Access to Green Spaces Park Development: Invest in creating and improving parks in areas with limited access, particularly in low-income and historically underserved communities. Recreational Trails: Enhance and expand recreational trail networks to connect urban areas with natural spaces and promote outdoor activities. 5. Water Resilience Projects Stormwater Management: Support projects that capture and recycle stormwater to combat drought and reduce flood risks. Wetland Restoration: Restore wetlands to act as natural water filters and buffers against sea level rise. 6. Environmental Justice and Community Engagement Community-Led Planning: Prioritize funding for projects that engage local residents in planning and decision-making processes, ensuring their needs are met. Support for Vulnerable Populations: Focus on climate resilience initiatives that benefit communities disproportionately impacted by climate change, such as those near industrial areas or with limited resources. 7. Sustainable Transportation and Access Active Transportation Infrastructure: Invest in bike paths, pedestrian walkways, and transit connections that promote sustainable access to green spaces. Electric Vehicle Charging Stations: Expand i
Michael Pena	Please prioritize projects that would improve the quality of life in underserved communities. With the completion of numerous plans and studies, the county knows which communities are the most needy and vulnerable. Specifically, please use Proposition 4 funding to develop more parks and plant more trees in high park need and low tree canopy areas as identified in the Parks Needs Assessment and Community Forest Management Plan. Communities like East LA, South LA, and parts of the San Gabriel Valley deserve more green spaces and greenery to benefit the health and well-being of residents.

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environmental activist and President of Las Virgenes Homeowne Federation from 2010 to 2024.	,
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