



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
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Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments
The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:				
15.		Favor	Ann Dorsey	
			antonio dominguez	<p>compassionate and cost-effective than responding after families lose their homes.</p> <p>SCRIPT FOR IN-PERSON, CALL-IN OR WRITTEN COMMENTS Hello, my name is [antonio], and I am a [resident of LA County/member of IRLA/community advocate] from [City or District]. I'm here today to ask the County to take action to keep immigrant families housed. I'm here because many families in my community are struggling to keep a roof over their heads right now. I appreciate that the Board is paying attention to what renters are going through and taking steps to respond to this crisis. But what's being proposed right now isn't enough for the reality families are facing. People are falling behind on rent because work has become unstable and fear is keeping people home. No one should lose their housing over debt they just can't catch up on during an emergency. Raising the eviction threshold helps, but it needs to go further. During this emergency, the limit should be \$25,000 and it should apply everywhere in Los Angeles County. These changes would help families stay housed and prevent homelessness before it happens. I'm asking you to do more and make sure these protections reach every community. Thank you for your time. For written comment, add greeting and sign off: Dear Board of Supervisors Sincerely, [Your Name], [Your Contact Information], [Your Organization, if applicable]</p>
			Isabel Balboa	
			Margarita Lopez-Pelayo	<p>January 21, 2026 County of Los Angeles Honorable Members of the LA County Board of Supervisors 500 W Temple St, Room 381B Los Angeles, CA 90012 RE: Support for Action Item #10–Sole Source Contract with Outward Bound Adventures (OBA) for Altadena and Pasadena Fire Recovery Dear Honorable Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, On behalf of the Nature for All Coalition and the undersigned organizations, we write in strong support of Action Item #10, which emphasizes the need for urgency to rebuild LA County Parks following the January 2025 Windstorm and Critical Fire Events and authorizes a sole source contract with Outward Bound Adventures (OBA) to lead the recovery efforts and restoration work in</p>



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We fully support the proposed authorization to enable OBA to perform recovery and restoration work at parks and trails in the Altadena and Pasadena fire zones. OBA is uniquely qualified to deliver this work due to its deep community roots proven restoration workforce model:

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The Nature for All Coalition has worked alongside Outward Bound Adventures across shared goals of equitable access to nature, community stewardship, and youth leadership development. Through this partnership and our coalition's first-hand experience with OBA's programs and crews, we can directly attest to OBA's strong performance, accountability, and ability to deliver high-quality restoration and public lands programming in a way that is

			community-centered and outcomes-driven. OBA has consistently demonstrated the capacity to mobilize skilled teams, support youth development, and produce measurable impacts that align with countywide priorities for environmental resilience and workforce pathways. For these reasons, we respectfully urge the Board to approve Action Item #10 and authorize the sole source contract with Outward Bound Adventures to advance a rapid, equitable, and community-centered recovery for Altadena and Pasadena. Sincerely, Nature for All Coalition
		Margarita Lopez-Pelayo	
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Grand Total			5

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