

From: [Doug Stricklin](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#); [Claire Schlotterbeck](#)
Subject: 2020-0 00622
Date: Friday, July 21, 2023 9:15:45 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. [2020-0 00612](#) East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final
Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

Los Angeles County's Planning Department has recommended a rezone of the Aera Energy lands, which are part of the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan. I enthusiastically support this rezone and urge the Commission's recommendation for approval to the Board of Supervisors.

Rezoning this land will make the General Plan and its updated elements (Natural Resources and Public Safety specifically) consistent. This rezone is further supported by the recent updated adoption of the Significant Ecological Area and Community Wildfire Protection Ordinances.

For decades this land has been on the watch list for conservation purchase as part of the existing 28,000 acres of protected lands in the Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. To keep the Wildlife Corridor functioning, this parcel is essential for conservation.

I urge your unanimous support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Doug STRICKLIN
Brea 92823

From: [Judith Ennis](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#); [Jim Kelly](#); [Jeanne Renner](#)
Subject: ACTION ALERT on Aera Energy Lands
Date: Wednesday, July 26, 2023 3:43:54 PM

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Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners,

I am writing to support the Regional Planning Commission's consideration to rezone the Aera Energy lands in Southeastern Los Angeles County. Recommending this zone change to the Board of Supervisors aligns Los Angeles County planning documents to make them consistent with one another.

The 3,000 acre ownership of which 2,700 acres are incorporated Los Angeles County are necessary to complete the long-planned Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. Not only would sprawling housing devastate the natural scenic and cultural resources, but it would also sever the 27,000+ acre Corridor.

This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area Ordinance. I think of Dr. Swift's comment (from Whittier College) that children are more likely to hike the hills when adults if they had done so as youngsters. Also I think of the many small groups (on Thursday afternoon) that hiked with me in the hills south of Del Valle School, where I taught for 36 years. And I grew up on Prospect Drive in Pomona where I hiked in those hills. I've enjoyed nature around our home here in LHH for these past 51 years. So it is with this background that I urge your unanimous recommendation of this zone change.

Sincerely,
Judy Ennis
La Habra Heights, CA

From: [Rylans Yahoo](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Aera Energy Land Use - Stop building
Date: Friday, July 21, 2023 9:20:27 AM

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Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

Los Angeles County's Planning Department has recommended a rezone of the Aera Energy lands, which are part of the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan. I enthusiastically support this rezone and urge the Commission's recommendation for approval to the Board of Supervisors.

Although to be honest, we shouldn't build any more homes in our area. You live here, you sit in the traffic on overcrowded roads, your children choke on the poor air quality indices, you receive the notices from your local water district to limit your usage because of the droughts. We don't need more houses and we don't need more people. Progress is not measured by how much we construct, it's measured by how we make our neighborhoods and city better for our children. You have the power to stop paving the landscape of California with more concrete and asphalt.

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I urge your unanimous support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Rylan Reynolds
130 Copa De Oro Dr
Brea
Sent from my iPhone

From: [Kathie Kingett](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Aera Energy Lands
Date: Saturday, July 8, 2023 12:09:31 PM

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Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

I'm writing to support the Regional Planning Commission's consideration to rezone the Aera Energy lands in Southeastern Los Angeles County. Recommending this zone change to the Board of Supervisors aligns Los Angeles County planning documents to make them consistent with one another.

Thanks,
Kathie

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Richard Caslow](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Aera land
Date: Monday, July 10, 2023 11:57:53 AM

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Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final
Environmental Impact Report

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This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant
Ecological Area Ordinance. I urge your unanimous recommendation of this zone
change.

Sincerely,

Richard and Peggy Caslow
La Habra Heights

From: [Jean Robson](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Aera lands
Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 3:31:47 PM

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More room for wildlife and natural hills.
Pass only one house; better still zero homes
Jean Robson-Howe

From: prokus@aol.com
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Area Energy Project No. 2020-0 00612
Date: Sunday, July 23, 2023 7:24:42 PM

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Sincerely,

Phyllis Rokus
Hacienda Heights 91745

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
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Submitted via email to: commplan@planning.lacounty.gov

Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612: East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan Final Environmental
Impact Report

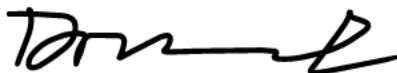
Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

Please support the Regional Planning Commission's consideration to rezone the Aera Energy lands in Southeastern Los Angeles County. This zone change, recommended to the Board of Supervisors, establishes consistency among the Los Angeles County planning documents.

More importantly, highly urbanized East San Gabriel valley is where 3,000 most valued acres (of which 2,700 belongs to unincorporated Los Angeles County) are located to complete the long-planned Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. Continued urbanization would devastate the natural, scenic, and cultural resources and sever the 27,000+ acre very much needed wildlife Corridor.

This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area Ordinance. East San Gabriel Valley is not home to famous and powerful people, so we depend on our elected and appointed officials to help provide us and all living things in the area a good quality of life. I urge your unanimous recommendation of this zone change.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Donna Chen', with a stylized, flowing script.

Donna Chen

Hacienda Heights, CA

From: patriciaotoole@aol.com
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Comment On the Proposed Zone Change of the Aera Lands
Date: Saturday, July 8, 2023 1:03:25 PM

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July 8, 2023

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We spent many years visiting the area as a family-I have nothing but fond memories. Please help us keep this natural landscape as it is.....thank you.

Sincerely,

Patricia O'Toole
Whittier CA 90603



www.responsiblelanduse.org

July 25, 2023

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012
commplan@planning.lacounty.gov

Re: Project No. 2020-0 0612 East San Gabriel Valley Plan and Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

Responsible Land Use is an IRS 501(c)(3) non-profit working to promote responsible land use in the Diamond Bar, northern Orange County and western San Bernardino County areas. We write this letter in complete support of the proposed zoning change of one house per forty acres for the Aera property in southeastern LA County. Our reasoning is as follows:

One, an overview. The Aera property sits east of Harbor Blvd in the west, and straddles the 57 freeway to the east. It descends into northern Orange County above Brea, and south of Rowland Heights in the north.



In May, 2007, the city of Diamond Bar and Aera entered into an agreement where Diamond Bar would annex a significant portion of the Aera property in LA County and work with Aera to develop it.

The Notice of Preparation for that development discussed the environmental impacts of the proposed plan. There are issues listed in the NOP with landslides, unstable soil, earthquake faults, etc, which should give any reasonable person pause. What wasn't mentioned in the NOP was the planned, over four million cubic yards, of grading which would be required in order to essentially flatten the hills so as to accommodate the 3600 planned homes and 200,000 square feet of commercial space.



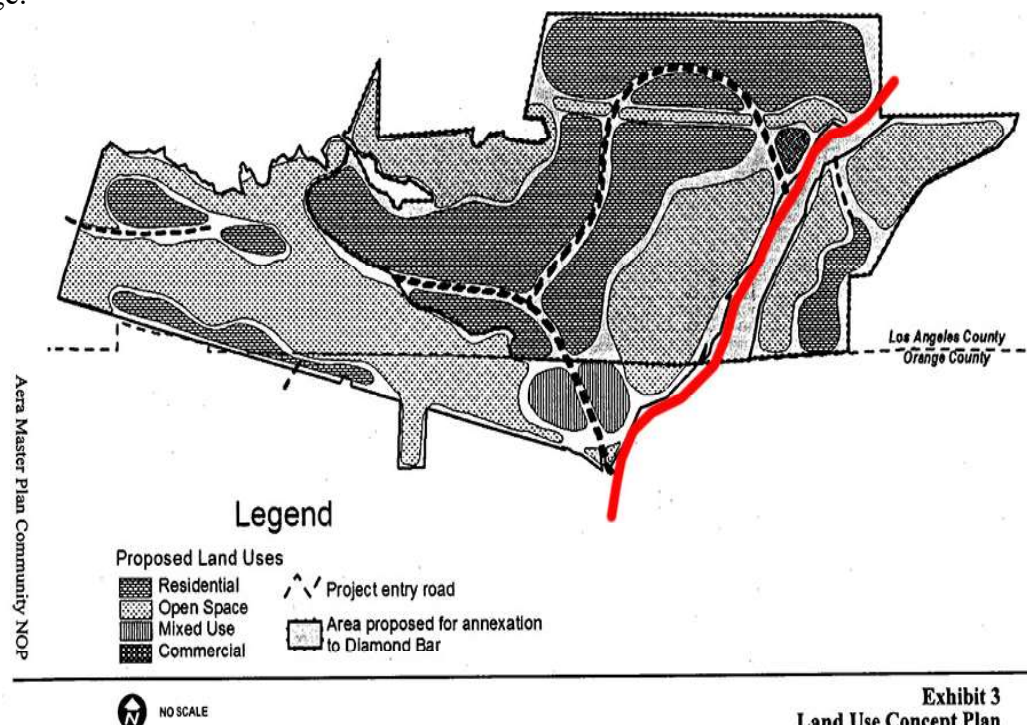
Photograph was taken of the Aera property from the south, looking generally north. The 57 freeway can be seen running through the hills on the right side of the image.

As can be seen from the photograph above, the Aera property's many steep hills make development of this property a challenge.

According to the 2007 Aera development NOP, the major access corridor for the planned development was to be Brea Canyon Road and the 57 freeway.

See the Page 6 NOP planned land use diagram at right.

Red line showing the CA 57 corridor is ours.





Rush hour on the 57 freeway, both morning and evening, mostly resembles a parking lot.

Even if Brea Canyon Road, which runs essentially parallel to the 57 freeway, had been widened to four lanes all the way from Brea to Diamond Bar, neither city's terrain would allow the required transportation infrastructure improvement to accommodate all that increased traffic. And, in the event of an earthquake, fire or other emergency, that single entry/exit corridor would have made it impossible for residents of the area to safely escape.

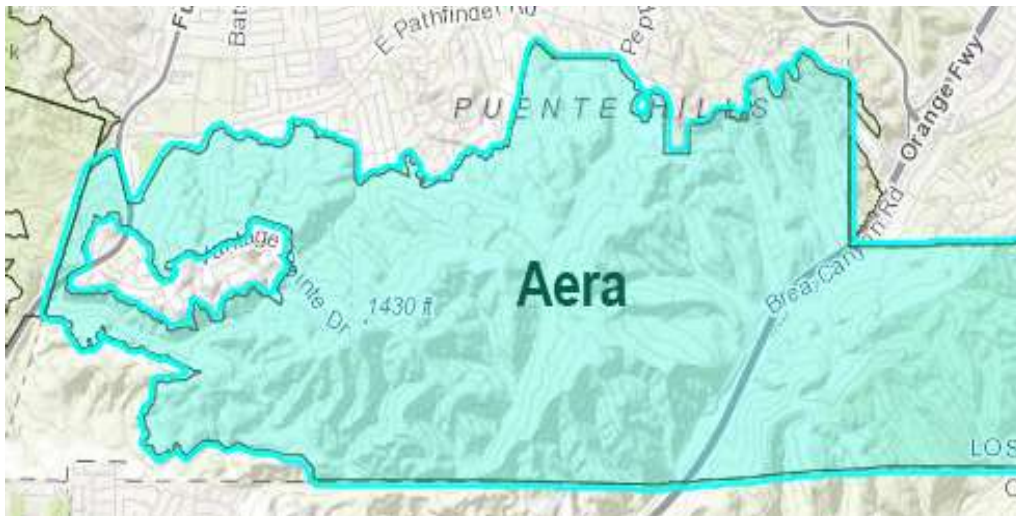
For those of us living in Diamond Bar back then, the monumental task of essentially flattening those hills and creating all of that development, with its only major entry and exit points to an already overwhelmed transportation corridor, was simply madness.

Fortunately for citizens of Diamond Bar and the surrounding area, after years of effort by Aera, it became clear that Area's planned development was so egregious neither Diamond Bar nor Los Angeles County would approve it. Aera Energy finally withdrew its application for the development in the summer of 2020.

That said, the drama continues. Shell reportedly stated when they withdrew their plan they intended to again submit a plan for development of the property to Los Angeles County.

Two, in 2015, Los Angeles County updated and upgraded their definitions and development restrictions of what they call Significant Ecological Areas. The Los Angeles County web site defines Significant Ecological Areas, or SEAs, as areas which "have been determined to possess an example of biotic resources that cumulatively represent biological diversity for the purposes of protecting biotic diversity."

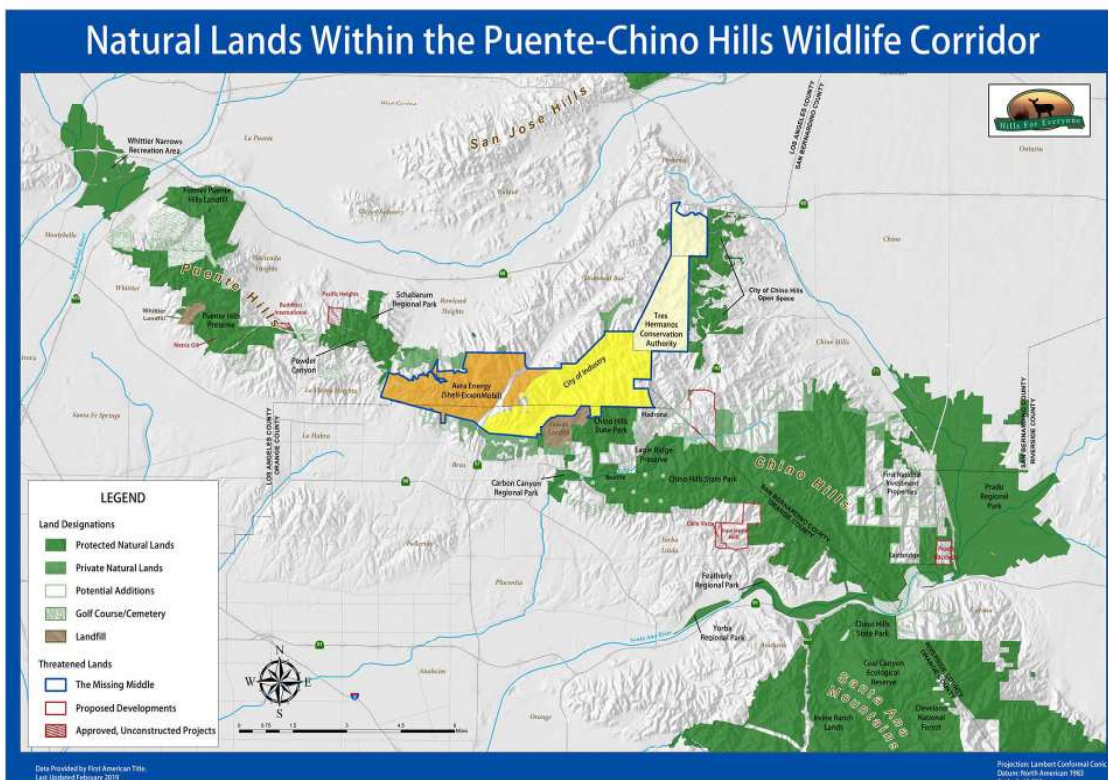
In short, that means that these areas have biologic resources which the county has determined to have significant value. One of those areas, SEA 15, encompasses areas of Diamond Bar westward.



As one can see from the above map, created by Los Angeles County, for all practical purposes, SEA 15 encompasses all of the Aera property in Los Angeles County. The county has purposefully designed restrictions in its SEAs to make development of those area much more difficult than non-SEA areas.

Three, the Aera property is a crucial, portion of a 31 mile wildlife corridor which stretches from the Whittier Narrows area near the 605 and 60 freeways all the way to the Cleveland National Forest south of the 91 freeway. 27,000 acres are already protected in this corridor.

The 3,000 acre Aera property is one of several unprotected, undeveloped parcels of land, totaling over 9000 acres, which curl around Diamond Bar, called 'the missing middle' part of the corridor. Aera is the orange parcel in the map below. It is easy to see why these parcels are so important to the completion of the wildlife corridor.



Conclusion, we believe that the Los Angeles County's zoning proposal, of designating the Aera property, as one dwelling per 40 acres, is a reasonable, legal, compromise which represents a positive step forward, as the proposal far more accurately reflects the best overall planning balance for the Aera property, and also the region.

Given the challenge and cost of terraforming Aera property's hilly terrain, and given its soil instability, landslide issues, and earthquake faults, combined with the inability of the California's 57 traffic corridor to act as any significant entry point for the parcel's development projects, combined with Los Angeles County's new and additional SEA restrictions, all of those factors make the Aera property a poor candidate for any development larger than that allowed by the proposed one dwelling per 40 acres.

Additionally, we believe that the one dwelling per 40 acre zoning designation will allow a more positive planning environment to provide for an acceptable level of wildlife movement and Oak tree preservation through the property as part any development plan.

We therefore urge the county planning department to approve this proposal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "R Lee Paulson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each word being capitalized and prominent.

R Lee Paulson
President
Responsible Land Use



Puente Hills Habitat Preservation Authority

Endowment Provided by the Puente Hills Landfill

July 20, 2023

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 W Temple St
Los Angeles CA 90012
commplan@planning.lacounty.gov

RE: Project No PRJ2020-000612 / East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan and Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commission:

The Puente Hills Habitat Preservation Authority (Habitat Authority) appreciates the opportunity to comment on the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan (ESGVAP) Final Program Environmental Impact Report. We previously provided comments on the ESGVAP NOP, Initial Study, April 2022 Draft Plan Documents and February 2023 Draft Environmental Impact Report and Draft Plan Documents. We appreciate the availability of Planning staff in responding to our questions, providing clarification, and taking our comments into consideration during the preparation of previous document versions.

The Habitat Authority is a public joint powers authority established pursuant to California Government Code Section 6500 *et seq.* with a Board of Directors consisting of the City of Whittier, County of Los Angeles, Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County, and the community of Hacienda Heights. According to its mission, the Habitat Authority is dedicated to the acquisition, restoration, and management of open space in the Puente Hills for preservation of the land in perpetuity, with the primary purpose to protect the biological diversity. Additionally, the agency endeavors to provide opportunities for outdoor education and low-impact recreation.

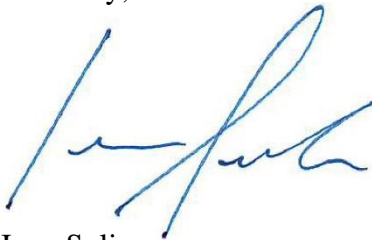
In the Puente Hills, the Habitat Authority manages the open space in its ownership as well as the open space of Board Member agencies, totaling over 3,880 acres, within the Cities of Whittier, La Habra Heights and the County unincorporated area known as Hacienda Heights. These lands are collectively referred to as the Puente Hills Preserve (Preserve) and are situated along, and within, the southern boundary of the ESGVAP.

The ESGV Planning Area includes a portion of the Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor, a span of open space linking the Puente Hills and Chino Hills to the Santa Ana Mountains. Significant

public investment has been made to assemble and protect the wildlife corridor, and the habitats therein, over the past several decades. However, the large contiguous portion that comprises the middle span of the wildlife corridor remains unprotected, and this land is absolutely crucial for ensuring the long-term sustainability of the corridor and the ecosystems therein. The open space within the southern portion of the Rowland Heights community is directly adjacent to Los Angeles County's only wildlife undercrossing structure which was specifically built to facilitate safe wildlife movement beneath Harbor Boulevard, thus ensuring connectivity. Our agency has documented consistent use of this structure by deer, bobcats, coyotes, and a variety of other wildlife. **Given the significance of this area for wildlife movement, we applaud the proposed change of these parcel's Land Use Designation from Transitional Open Space to the lowest housing density designation, Rural Lands 40.** We support this new Land Use Designation as it does not preclude the current use of the land, is more consistent with designations on similar and adjacent open space parcels which already have low density designations, and it would ensure long-term sustainability of the wildlife corridor. Further, much of this area is mapped as a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone and has Significant Ecological Area designation, therefore limiting residential development is consistent with other policies as outlined in the ESGVAP Document and the County's General Plan (dated 2035).

Thank you for your consideration, and feel free to contact myself or Ecologist Michelle Mariscal (mmariscal@habitatauthority.org) at (562) 945-9003 for further discussion.

Sincerely,



Ivan Sulic
Chair, Board of Directors

cc: Habitat Authority Board of Directors
Habitat Authority Citizens Technical Advisory Committee

From: clarkemh@aol.com
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan and Final EIR SUPPORT
Date: Wednesday, July 26, 2023 3:27:43 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

To the Regional Planning Commission:

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

RE: Project No. 2020-0 00612, East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan and Final EIR

I am writing in support of the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan, and urge the Regional Planning Commission to approve it. The plan includes strong policies for resource protection and reduces densities in an important wildlife corridor area.

Thank you for your consideration of this message of support for the plan.

Sincerely,

Mary H. Clarke
2006 Trevino Ave.
Oceanside, CA 92056

July 23, 2023

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

As an Eastern LA County resident my entire life, I am writing to support the staff recommendation for the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan to change the zoning of the Aera Energy lands to make this area align with existing policies and planning documents. The landscape is not within a transit area, lacks basic infrastructure, is in a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone, and is within a Significant Ecological Area.

The 2,700 acres of the Aera Energy lands have long been planned for protection and incorporation into the Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. This particular property is irreplaceable in terms of its position as the Missing Middle helping link together the 28,000 acres of protected lands from the Puente Hills to Chino Hills.

This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area and Community Wildfire Protection Ordinances. I urge your support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Beverly Pekar
Walnut, CA

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HACIENDA HEIGHTS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, INC.
POST OFFICE BOX 5235 • HACIENDA HEIGHTS, CA 91741

July 8, 2023

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

The Hacienda Heights Improvement Association (HHIA) is writing to support the Regional Planning Commission's consideration to rezone the Aera Energy lands in Southeastern Los Angeles County. Recommending this zone change to the Board of Supervisors aligns Los Angeles County planning documents to make them consistent with one another.

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This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area Ordinance. The HHIA Board of Directors, on behalf of our membership, urges your unanimous recommendation of this zone change.

Sincerely,

John Ford, President
The Unincorporated Area of Hacienda Heights

July 9, 2023

Regional Planning Commission
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Los Angeles, CA 90012

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Sincerely,



Jeanne Renner, Board Member
Friends of the Whittier Hills
11743 North Circle Drive
Whittier, CA 90601

From: [Rafael Andrade](#)
To: [Mi Kim](#)
Subject: FW: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Wednesday, July 26, 2023 12:55:55 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: Gloria Schlaepfer <gschlaep@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2023 12:54 PM
To: EDL-DRP BU-S Commission Services <commission@planning.lacounty.gov>
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

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I greatly urge your unanimous support of this zone change.

Sincerely,
Gloria G. Schlaepfer

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891 South Walnut St. #225
Anaheim, CA 92802
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714-381-5290, cell



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July 17, 2023

Regional Planning Commission

County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

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The 2,700 acres of the Aera Energy lands have long been designated for protection and incorporation into the Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. This particular property is irreplaceable in terms of its position as the Missing Middle helping link together the 28,000 acres of protected lands from the Puente Hills to Chino Hills across Los Angeles, Orange, and Riverside counties.

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Sincerely,

Cary Chen

Cary Chen, President
Rowland Heights Community Coordinating Council
P.O. Box 8171
Rowland Heights, California 91748
email: rhccc4RH@gmail.com

cc: Supervisorial District 1: Yolanda Duarte-White, Commissioner
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Supervisorial District 4: Elvin W. Moon, Commissioner
Supervisorial District 5: Michael R. Hastings, Chair
Deputy Director, Advance Planning: Connie Chung

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July 24, 2023

Via Electronic Mail

Mi Kim
Supervising Regional Planner
County of Los Angeles
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Re: Comments by Hills For Everyone on the East San Gabriel Valley
Area Plan

Dear Ms. Kim:

Hills For Everyone appreciates the opportunity to comment on the Final Environmental Impact Report ("FEIR") and Draft Environmental Impact Report ("DEIR") for the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan Project ("ESGVAP Project").

Hills For Everyone ("HFE") was formed over 45 years ago with the specific mission to protect the unique, rare, and disappearing landscape in the Puente-Chino Hills. These hills lie at the juncture of four of Southern California's most populous counties: Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino. The group's first goal was the creation of the Chino Hills State Park. By designing the Park along ridgeline boundaries, HFE originated a design strategy that protected the watershed and the viewshed. From its earliest history, HFE has opposed projects that damaged the evolving Park and supported decisions, including the modification of potentially-harmful land use designations, that enhanced it.

HFE writes in support of the Los Angeles County's proposal to change land use designations in undeveloped areas of the East San Gabriel Valley. The proposed changes would limit development in these rugged, rural lands, maintaining scenic and wildlife values while mitigating the ever-present danger of catastrophic wildfire. The changes are

therefore consistent with the ESGVAP itself, the County's Significant Ecological Area Ordinance, and the forthcoming Community Wildfire Protection Ordinance.

As explained further below and contrary to assertions made by Aera Energy, the County's proposal to reduce housing density in the rural portions of the East San Gabriel Valley is consistent with the Housing Crisis Act because the ESGVAP Project will significantly increase housing density within the Valley's unincorporated areas. Thus, rather than contravening state law, the ESGVAP Project is a well-considered policy that would bring the area's designation in line with those in similar parts of neighboring jurisdictions.

I. Overview of the ESGVAPS Project's Impact to Aera Energy's Property

Aera Energy is an energy company that operates within the Southern California region. The company owns approximately 3,000 acres of undeveloped hills along the border of Los Angeles County and Orange County, near the community of Rowland Heights and the City of Brea. The majority of Aera Energy's property, totaling 2,614 acres, is within the scope of the ESGVAP Project.

The ESGVAP Project includes a General Plan amendment and zoning change. The bulk of the changes are the redesignation and upzoning of a substantial amount of land elsewhere within the project area. The proposed upzones would "increase allowable housing density near village centers, commercial centers, and transit areas, which would lead to long-term increased housing development." (DEIR, 4.12-10.)

On the Aera Energy's property, the proposed General Plan amendment would redesignate much of the land as "Rural Land 40." Aera Energy's property is currently designated as "Non-Urban 1" under the Rowland Heights Community General Plan, which is a component of the County's General Plan. This land use designation allows for 0.2 dwelling units per gross acre (in other words, one unit to 5 acres), and lot sizes of 5 acres. (Rowland Heights Community GP, 7.) The Rural Land 40 land use designation allows for one dwelling unit per 40 gross acres. (ESGVAP, E-3.) The County is not proposing to change the "Light Agricultural" zoning designation for Aera Energy's property, which allows for single-family residential use. (County Zoning Code

§ 22.16.030.) Thus, under the new General Plan land use classification, Aera Energy would still be authorized to develop single-family residences.¹ (ESGVAP, E-1.)

II. The ESGVAP Project's Redesignation of the Aera Energy Lands Advances Important Conservation and Public Safety Goals.

HFE, along with the surrounding cities, has included this land on its wish list for potential conservation. In short, 27,000+ acres of adjacent lands have been protected via the Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. The Aera Energy land sits strategically between the Puente Hills and the Chino Hills, in the geography known as the “Missing Middle” of the Wildlife Corridor. Because of its biologically rich species and diverse habitats, much of Aera Energy's property has been designated by the County as a Significant Ecological Area.²

In alignment with Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-82-20, which sets the goal to protect 30% of California's lands and waters by 2030 (called 30x30), this property has been ranked in the top tier of the regional conservation list. Numerous agencies, scientists, and researchers have pointed to the biological diversity and potential public recreational benefits these lands provide to the region and a buffer for the state's burgeoning population.

Moreover, all of Aera Energy's property is classified by the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection and the County as within the “Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone.”³ The redesignation of Aera Energy's property would reduce the potential

¹ Because the proposed Rural Land 40 designation allows for continued development, including single-family residences and agricultural activities, and this designation only applies to a portion of Aera Energy's property, the County's adoption of the ESGVAP is very unlikely to constitute an unconstitutional taking. *See Penn Central Transp. Co. v. New York City* (1978) 438 U.S. 104, 122-25 (where a regulation does not prevent all economically beneficial use of a property, the regulation will only constitute a taking if the interests advanced by the regulation are significantly outweighed by the economic impact of the regulation, considering the property owner's reasonable expectations for use of the land).

² A map of the Significant Ecological Areas within the County is available at https://planning.lacounty.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/gp_2035_2014-FIG_9-3_significant_ecological_areas.pdf.

³ A map of the Fire Hazard Severity Zones within the County is available at <https://lacounty.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=d2ea45d15c784adfa601e84b38060c4e>.

population subject to this ever-growing fire risk, and is thus consistent with the goal of limiting the “Wildland-Urban Interface” in the ESGVAP’s Natural Resources, Conservation, and Open Space Element. The redesignation is also consistent with the County’s pre-existing Significant Ecological Area (SEA) Ordinance, which requires that development on Aera Energy’s property be “designed in a manner that considers and avoids impacts to SEA resources.” (County Zoning Code § 22.102.010.) Similarly, the redesignation is consistent with the forthcoming Community Wildfire Protection Ordinance, which is intended to ensure development within the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone does not increase wildfire risk.⁴

The County’s proposed redesignation of Aera Energy’s property is also consistent with the land use and zoning designations made by other jurisdictions for nearby areas. For example, the hills in which Aera Energy’s property is located lie adjacent to a sizeable portion of unincorporated Orange County that is zoned as “General Agricultural” and “Open Space.”⁵ Lands designated as General Agricultural are intended “to provide for agriculture, outdoor recreational uses, and those low-intensity uses which have a predominantly open space character.” (Orange County Zoning Code § 7-9-30.1.) Land designated as Open Space is intended to “provide relatively large open space areas for the preservation of natural resources, for the protection of valuable environmental features, for outdoor recreation and education, and for the public health and welfare.” (*Id.*) Similarly, the hills in which Aera Energy’s property lies are adjacent to a large portion of the City of Brea zoned as “Hillside Residential.”⁶ For those areas where the average slope of a property is greater than 30% -- the areas that most closely resemble Aera Energy’s property-- the maximum allowable density is one dwelling unit per 20 acres (Brea Zoning Code § 20.206.060), in the neighborhood of the one unit to 40 acres proposed in the ESGVAP.

III. The ESGVAP Project will not Violate the Housing Crisis Act

Contrary to Aera Energy’s assertion, the Housing Crisis Act of 2019 does not preclude all downzoning in areas that currently allow for residential use. Aera Energy cites one subdivision from California Government Code Section 66300 that provides

⁴ An overview of the forthcoming Community Wildfire Protection Ordinance is available at <https://planning.lacounty.gov/long-range-planning/community-wildfire-protection-ordinance/>.

⁵ A map of the zoning designations of unincorporated Orange County is available at <https://ocds.ocpublicworks.com/sites/ocpwoeds/files/import/data/files/52866.pdf>.

⁶ A map of the zoning designations of the City of Brea is available at https://www.ci.brea.ca.us/DocumentCenter/View/14265/Zoning_March302023.

counties are generally prohibited from downzoning residential areas, “except as provided in subdivision (i).” Aera Energy’s comment letter omits any reference to that exception. In relevant part it provides:

(i)(1) This section does not prohibit an affected county or an affected city, including the local electorate acting through the initiative process, from changing a land use designation or zoning ordinance to a less intensive use, or reducing the intensity of land use, if the city or county concurrently changes the development standards, policies, and conditions applicable to other parcels within the jurisdiction to ensure that there is no net loss in residential capacity. (Govt. Code § 66300(i)(1).)

The Housing Crisis Act thus does not prohibit the County from reducing housing density, as long as that reduction is accompanied by an equal or greater increase in housing density. Here, the substantial zoning changes and land use amendments included within the ESGVAP Project ensure there is “no net loss in residential capacity.” In fact, the ESGVAP Project will facilitate *significant* increases in housing density throughout the unincorporated communities within the East San Gabriel Valley.

One of the central purposes of the ESGVAP Project is to substantially increase housing density in areas within a one-mile radius of major transit stops and areas near high-quality transit corridors. (DEIR, 3-7.) To accomplish this, many areas currently designated and zoned solely for agricultural, business, and commercial use will be re-designated and re-zoned to allow for a combination of single-family residential, multi-family residential, mixed-use development, and residential agricultural use. (*Id.*) The DEIR concluded the proposed zoning and land use designations would increase housing unit capacity by 13,825 units. (DEIR, 4.12-10 – 4.12-12.) By our calculations, current zoning and designation provide for approximately 522 housing units, at most, on the 2,614 acres of Aera’s land subject to the ESGVAP.⁷ Under the proposed Rural Land 40 designation, Aera Energy would be permitted to construct approximately 65 housing units. This reduction in about 450 housing units due to the redesignation of Aera Energy’s property is easily outweighed by the County’s concurrent upzoning. The ESGVAP Project is therefore entirely consistent with the Housing Crisis Act.

⁷ Given Aera Energy’s property is designated as a Significant Ecological Area and is within the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone, it is unlikely Aera Energy would be permitted to develop anywhere close to 522 homes on its property.

IV. Conclusion

HFE thanks the County for considering its comments on the ESGVAP Project and encourages the County to move forward with the adoption of this forward-looking plan. Contrary to the misleading assertions presented by Aera Energy, the County's adoption of the ESGVAP Project will not violate the Housing Crisis Act of 2019. It will protect important lands and promote the type of development that the County needs.

Very truly yours,

SHUTE, MIHALY & WEINBERGER LLP

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G.M.B. Ross', is written over a faint, light blue circular stamp or watermark.

Gabriel M.B. Ross

July 9, 2023

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final
Environmental Impact Report

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Sincerely,



Jeanne Renner, Board Member
Friends of the Whittier Hills
11743 North Circle Drive
Whittier, CA 90601

From: [Lee Willard](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Cc: [Hillsforeveryone Info](#); [Jeanne \(FOWH Technology Dir\) Renner](#); [Andrea \(Habitat\) Gullo](#); [Jim \(Pres\ Kelly](#)
Subject: LA County Project #2020-0 00612 Environmental Impact Report
Date: Sunday, July 9, 2023 1:29:18 PM

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July 8, 2023

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 W Temple St
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Chairman and Commission:

I quite strongly agree with the County's proposal to require only one dwelling unit for each 40 acres on the 3,000 acres owned by Aera Energy. Along with some fencing restrictions, this will allow adequate access for wildlife movement which is so critical at that point for maintaining the wildlife corridor that can then remain open from the enormous Cleveland National Forest NorthWest as far as Whittier Narrows where the Puente Hills terminate.

It is vitally important that the current wildlife corridor be retained so that lands owned or managed by the Habitat Authority (a government entity) and nearby preserved lands in the vicinity of the Western terminus will remain open to all predators, thus retaining that entire area as a natural, self-sustaining wildlife preserve. So the new County proposal will satisfy this requirement and is essential for its accomplishment.

Of course, to accomplish both the federal and California 30/30 plans for natural land preservation, it would be even more advantageous to be able to add that Aera section for permanent preservation by the Habitat Authority, Chino Hills State Park, or other conservation body. So hopefully an arrangement for sale by Aera at an acceptable price would enable permanent preservation in an even more productive manner.

Thanks for the County's stance on this matter, as it is so important!

Sincerely,

Lee M Willard, EA, Colorado CPA, CMA, CFM,
Vice President, Friends of Whittier Hills,
Volunteer for Habitat Preservation Authority,
6218 Roundhill Drive, Whittier, CA 90601
Phone 562-696-8740

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From: [Nadine Dausey](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 12:12:27 PM

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Preserve & save our lands!

From: [Clnsdesign](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Date: Saturday, July 22, 2023 11:24:20 AM

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Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
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Rezoning this land will make the General Plan and its updated elements (Natural Resources and Public Safety specifically) consistent. This rezone is further supported by the recent updated adoption of the Significant Ecological Area and Community Wildfire Protection Ordinances.

For decades this land has been on the watch list for conservation purchase as part of the existing 28,000 acres of protected lands in the Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. To keep the Wildlife Corridor functioning, this parcel is essential for conservation.

I urge your unanimous support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Luanne Collins
Brea, California

From: [Aziz Amiri](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Date: Saturday, July 8, 2023 12:31:08 PM

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commplan@planning.lacounty.gov
To: Regional Planning Commission
Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan

As a long-time resident of Rowland Heights, I cannot express how strongly I feel about the importance of viewing our ridgelines. From the, "Where in the Hills is Rowland Heights" bumper stickers of the 1980's to present day postings of photos of our hill their various seasons on social media, our HILLS define our community.

I strongly support the NEW land use plan that decreases the allowable number of from 1-5 units per acre to 1 unit per 40 acres (RL40). Our hills are not only important us, but they are crucial for our wildlife too. It is a wildlife corridor and there even is existing "underpass" wildlife crossing on Harbor Blvd. The area is either identified and/or in a high fire hazard area or adjacent to one.

The East San Gabriel Area Plan, of which the Rowland Heights Plan is a part of, identifies land use changes in the Puente Hills ridgelines AND those ridgelines protection.


For these reasons I support the proposed new RL40 standard that preserves our ridgelines.

Sincerely,

Name Aziz Amiri / DENISE AMIRI

Address 2709 PEPERDALE DR
ROWLAND HEIGHTS, CA 91748

Phone (optional) 909-374-3111

Signature 

Date 7/8/2023

From: [natapi007](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Missing Middle property of the Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor SEA owned by the Aera Energy company.
Date: Wednesday, July 19, 2023 9:25:07 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

As an LA County resident, I'm writing to support the staff recommendation for the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan to change the zoning of the Aera Energy lands to make this area align with existing policies and planning documents. The landscape is not within a transit area, lacks basic infrastructure, is in a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone, and is within a Significant Ecological Area.

The 2,700 acres of the Aera Energy lands have long been planned for protection and incorporation into the Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. This particular property is irreplaceable in terms of its position as the Missing Middle helping link together the 28,000 acres of protected lands from the Puente Hills to Chino Hills.

This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area and Community Wildfire Protection Ordinances. I urge your support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Nat Apihunpunyakij
Residence of Walnut/Diamond Bar area in Unincorporated Los Angeles County

From: [Jane Saunders](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Please read my letter asking for rezoning
Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 3:47:07 PM

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County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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Sincerely,

Jane Saunders
Yorba Linda

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Sincerely,



Richard Kikuchi
1719 Arthur Drive
Brea, CA 92821

From: dennisbruce@roadrunner.com
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project #2020-0 00612 East San Garriel Valley Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Saturday, July 22, 2023 10:11:52 AM

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I urge your unanimous support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Dennis Bruce
Yorba Linda

From: [Winnie Ooi](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: project #2020-0 00612
Date: Tuesday, July 18, 2023 1:06:57 PM

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July 17, 2023

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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Thank you for the sustainable land use planning embodied in this Area Plan.

Sincerely,
Winnie Ooi
Pasadena

From: [Quintin Poon](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project #20120-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Thursday, July 13, 2023 11:13:30 PM

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Sincerely,

Quintin Poon
Rowland Heights

From: [Rose Leaton](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project 2020 0 00612
Date: Sunday, July 23, 2023 10:37:16 PM

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Sincerely,

Rose Leaton
Brea, CA 92821

From: [Bruce Rubin](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan
Date: Monday, July 24, 2023 7:30:34 AM

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Sincerely,

Bruce Rubin
1176 N. Puente St.
Brea, CA 92821

From: [Marcia Jue](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Saturday, July 22, 2023 8:26:53 AM

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LA County's Planning Dept has recommended a rezone of the Aera Energy lands, which are part of the East San Gabriel Valley area plan. I enthusiastically support this rezone and urge the Commission's recommendation for approval.

This land has been on the watch list for conservation purchase as part of the protected lands in the Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. To keep the Wildlife corridor functioning, this parcel is essential for conservation.

I urge your unanimous support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Marcia Jue
Diamond Bar Resident

From: [Sharon Ford](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project 2020-0 00612
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 9:45:35 AM

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Sincerely,

Sharon Ford
Rowland Heights CA
91748

From: [Kathie Kingett](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No 2020-0 00612
Date: Wednesday, July 26, 2023 3:52:52 PM

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Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

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As a resident of La Habra Heights, both supporting nature and protecting against forest fires has always been a priority. This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area and Community Wildfire Protection Ordinances. I urge your support of this zone change.

thank you,
kathie Kingett

From: [Fachko Denise](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 - East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 9:17:35 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

As an environmentalist, I *support* the important natural resource protections in the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan. The plan respects our Significant Ecological Areas and the Puente-Chino Hills wildlife corridor by making the appropriate zone changes for General Plan consistency. Fire hazard, worsened by climate change, will be reduced.

In addition, not only does the plan have strong policies for resource protection, it *reduces* housing densities in the Puente-Chino Hills to low levels. These changes are essential for wildlife and to direct housing to safer and more transportation-friendly locations.

Thank you for the sustainable land use planning embodied in this Area Plan.

Sincerely,

D. Fachko

From: [Karen Jolicoeur](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612
Date: Friday, July 21, 2023 8:57:08 AM

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KAREN G. JOLICOEUR
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

From: [Doug Stricklin](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#); [Claire Schlotterbeck](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612
Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 5:22:16 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. [2020-0 00612](#) East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final
Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

I'm writing to support the Regional Planning Commission's consideration to
rezone the Aera Energy lands in Southeastern Los Angeles County.
Recommending this zone change to the Board of Supervisors aligns Los
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Wildlife Corridor. Not only would sprawling housing devastate the natural,
scenic, and cultural resources, but it would also sever the 27,000+ acre
Corridor.

This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant
Ecological Area Ordinance. I urge your unanimous recommendation of this zone
change.

Sincerely,

Doug STRICKLIN
Brea, CA 92823

dkpdozer@gmail.com

From: [Dalyn Miller-Geiser](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 <> East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Sunday, July 16, 2023 9:24:51 PM

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Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chairperson Hastings and Planning Committee Commissioners:

As an LA County resident, living in La Habra Heights, I'm writing to support the staff recommendation for the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan to change the zoning of the Aera Energy lands to make this area align with existing policies and planning documents. The landscape is not within a transit area, lacks basic infrastructure, is in a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone, and is within a Significant Ecological Area.

The 2,700 acres of the Aera Energy lands have long been planned for protection and incorporation into the Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. This particular property is irreplaceable in terms of its position as the Missing Middle helping link together the 28,000 acres of protected lands from the Puente Hills to Chino Hills.

This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area and Community Wildfire Protection Ordinances. I urge your support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Dalyn Miller-Geiser
La Habra Heights, CA. 90631

From: [DUANE THOMPSON](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 E. San Gabriel Area Plan and Final EIR
Date: Friday, July 21, 2023 4:02:09 PM

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Dear Chair and Commissioners,

I whole heartedly support the rezone and urge the Commission's recommendation for approval to the Board of Supervisors.

I believe it is critical to the significant wildlife corridor and support of the missing middle.

It has been more apparent now than ever that wildlife islands are a recipe for disaster to our wildlife communities.

Please give it your full support.

Thank you,
Duane Thompson
275 Verbena Ln.
Brea, 92823

From: [Anil Bharwani](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Planning & Final Env. Impact Report
Date: Sunday, July 9, 2023 8:24:20 AM

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Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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Environmental Impact Report

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Sincerely,

Anil Bharwani
Rowland Heights, CA

commplan@planning.lacounty.gov

To: Regional Planning Commission

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan

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I strongly support the NEW land use plan that decreases the allowable number of units from 1-5 units per acre to 1 unit per 40 acres (RL40). Our hills are not only important to us, but they are crucial for our wildlife too. It is a wildlife corridor and there even is an existing "underpass" wildlife crossing on Harbor Blvd. The area is either identified SEA and/or in a high fire hazard area or adjacent to one.

The East San Gabriel Area Plan, of which the Rowland Heights Plan is a part of, identifies land use changes in the Puente Hills ridgelines AND those ridgelines needing protection.

For these reasons I support the proposed new RL40 standard that preserves our ridgelines.

Sincerely,

Name

Bruce Thompson

Address

19365 La Guardia St

Phone (optional)

Signature

B. Thompson

Date

7/8/2023

To: commplan@planning.lacounty.gov

From: Teri Malkin
18021 Galatina St.
Rowland Heights, CA 91748
626-833-7862
dtmalkin@gmail.com

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan

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Sincerely,



Teri Malkin
18021 Galatina St.
Rowland Hts., CA 91748
626-833-7862
dtmalkin@gmail.com

Attachments:

East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan: <https://planning.laco.hosecnty.gov/long-range-planning/east-san-gabriel-valley-area-plan/>

Rowland Heights Community Plan: <https://planning.lacounty.gov/long-range-planning/rowland-heights-community-plan/>

commplan@planning.lacounty.gov

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Sincerely,

Name Lindsey Stern

Address 1524 Jellick Ave SOE
Rowland Hts CA 91748

Phone (optional) _____

Signature 

Date 6/8/23

commplan@planning.lacounty.gov

To: Regional Planning Commission

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan

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Sincerely,

Name

Lowella Roberson

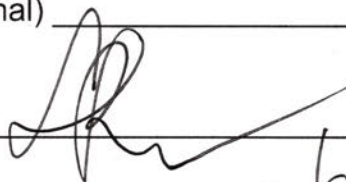
Address

18645 Fieldbrook St

Rowland Hgts CA 91748

Phone (optional)

Signature



Date

7/8/27

commplan@planning.lacounty.gov

To: Regional Planning Commission

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Sincerely,

Name

Denise Jackman

Address

18751 Marimba RH

Phone (optional)

424.237.9266

Signature

Denise Jackman

Date

7.8.23

commplan@planning.lacounty.gov

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Sincerely,


Name

Wes Jackman

Address

18751 Marimba St.
Rowland Hts. CA.

Phone (optional)

 626 964 4950

Signature



Date

7.8.23

From: [Susan Trautz](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Area Plan
Date: Saturday, July 8, 2023 12:59:11 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

commplan@planning.lacounty.gov

To: Regional Planning Commission

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan

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Sincerely,

Name Derrick and Susan Trautz

Address 20249 Wyn Terrace
Walnut CA 91789

Phone (optional) _____

Signature 

Date 07-08-2023

From: [Marcia Jue](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 5:52:58 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final
Environmental Impact Report

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Sincerely,

Marcia Jue
Resident of Diamond Bar
mljue@hotmail.com

From: p.martz@cox.net
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final EIR
Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 4:28:01 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

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County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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Sincerely,

Patricia Martz, Ph.D.
President
California Cultural Resources Preservation Alliance, Inc.

From: [Karen Jolicoeur](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 3:39:16 PM

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County of Los Angeles
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Los Angeles, CA 90012

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Sincerely,

Karen Jolicoeur
312 N Pintado Drive
Diamond Ba, CA 91765

From: [Annette Johnson](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 3:25:28 PM

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July 7, 2023

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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Sincerely,

Annette Johnson
Rowland Heights resident

19648 Carreta Drive
Rowland Height, CA 91748
ajohnson0279@gmail.com

From: [Nicholas Staddon](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Saturday, July 8, 2023 1:32:45 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

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Sincerely,

Nicholas Staddon
345 Olinda Drive
Brea, CA 92823

[everde.com](https://www.everde.com)

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From: geri.kleinpell_realtyworld1.com
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley, Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Wednesday, July 12, 2023 5:17:12 PM
Importance: High

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

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Sincerely,

Geri Kleinpell and Jim Kleinpell
4235 Miramar Dr.
Hacienda Heights, Ca. 91745

(562) 533 6168 (Cell)



From: [Randy Sink](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 10:49:17 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

support the important natural resource protections in the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan. The plan respects our Significant Ecological Areas and the Puente-Chino Hills wildlife corridor by making the appropriate zone changes for General Plan consistency. Fire hazard, worsened by climate change, will be reduced, and housing will be directed to better locations.

Thank you for the sustainable land use planning embodied in this Area Plan.

Sincerely,

Randle C Sink

Thank you for taking action!

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

ENDANGERED HABITATS LEAGUE

DEDICATED TO ECOSYSTEM PROTECTION AND SUSTAINABLE LAND USE



July 17, 2023

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

**RE: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final
Environmental Impact Report**

Dear Chair Hastings and Members of the Commission:

Endangered Habitats League (EHL) strongly ***supports*** the proposed East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan and its natural resource protections. For your reference, EHL is a Southern California conservation organization dedicated to ecosystem protection and sustainable land use. We are long term participants in County planning endeavors.

The Natural Resources, Conservation, and Open Space Element contains policies which support the biological viability of Significant Ecological Areas. The Area Plan will also enact the land use changes for lower density that are essential to protect the regionally important Puente-Chino Hills wildlife corridor from fragmentation, degradation, and loss of connectivity function. These zoning changes bring the community into General Plan consistency, for example for fire hazard reduction. The plan will then direct housing to superior locations for transit and employment proximity.

Thank you for the sustainable land use planning embodied in this Area Plan, and we urge adoption.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Dan Silver', is positioned above the printed name and title.

Dan Silver
Executive Director

From: [DeSimone, Sandy](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 9:02:28 AM

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Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

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Thank you for the sustainable land use planning embodied in this Area Plan.

Sincerely,

Sandra DeSimone

Thank you for taking action!

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

From: kimberlyfour@gmail.com
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 8:48:56 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

July 17, 2023

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Project No. 2020-0 00612

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Sincerely,

Kimberly Dillbeck

Sent from my iPhone

July 17, 2023

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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Thank you for the sustainable land use planning embodied in this Area Plan.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Penny Elia".

Penny Elia

From: [Lori Jirak](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 7:56:51 AM

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July 17, 2023

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

I grew up in Los Angeles and San Bernardino Counties, and for years have watched too many wild places destroyed by leapfrog developments.

Now I write in *support* of the important natural resource protections in the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan. The plan respects our Significant Ecological Areas and the Puente-Chino Hills wildlife corridor by making the appropriate zone changes for General Plan consistency. Fire hazard, worsened by climate change, will be reduced, and housing will be directed to more appropriate locations.

This is an issue of importance to all Californians. I urge you to set a positive precedent with this Plan.

Thank you for the sustainable land use planning embodied in this Area Plan.

Sincerely,

Lori Jirak
PO Box 520
Julian, CA 92036

From: [Ross Heckmann](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 7:06:39 AM

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July 17, 2023

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320 West Temple Street
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Sincerely,

Ross S. Heckmann
1214 Valencia Way
Arcadia, CA 91006-2406
626-256-4664
Fax no.: (626) 701-5022
E-mail: RossS.Heckmann@gmail.com

From: [Christopher Reed](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 7:06:26 AM

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Sincerely,

Chris Reed

From: [H Woo](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Cc: [Teri Malkin](#); info@HillsForEveryone.org
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Sunday, July 16, 2023 5:50:03 PM
Attachments: [Letter to DRP to support zone change in Aera land.pdf](#)

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners,

I'd like to support the staff recommendation of reducing the development density in part of the area included in the ESGV plan. Please see attached letter for more detail of my position.

Henry Woo
Resident of Rowland Heights since 1980

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows



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July 16, 2023

Regional Planning Commission

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320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

As an LA County resident, and a long time resident of Rowland Heights, I'm writing to support the staff recommendation for the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan to change the zoning of the Aera Energy lands to make this area align with existing policies and planning documents. The land is not within a transit area, it lacks basic infrastructure, and is in a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone. Furthermore it is within a Significant Ecological Area.

The 2,700 acres of the Aera Energy lands have long been planned for protection and incorporation into the Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. This particular property is irreplaceable in terms of its position as the Missing Middle helping link together the 28,000 acres of protected lands from the Puente Hills to Chino Hills.

This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area and Community Wildfire Protection Ordinances. I urge your support of this zone change because I believe that this decision will benefit the public good for a very long term in the future of our area.

Sincerely,



Henry Woo
1757 Pepperdale Drive
Rowland Heights, California 91748
email: henrywoodesign@gmail.com

cc: Hills For Everyone
P.O. Box 9835, Brea, CA 92822

From: [patricia.borchmann](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 11:27:35 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

July 17, 2023

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

I *support* the important natural resource protections in the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan. The plan respects our Significant Ecological Areas and the Puente-Chino Hills wildlife corridor by making the appropriate zone changes for General Plan consistency. Fire hazard, worsened by climate change, will be reduced, and housing will be directed to better locations.

Thank you for the sustainable land use planning embodied in this Area Plan.

Sincerely,

Patricia Borchmann
Escondido, CA 92026

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Suite 1106
Los Angeles, CA 90010



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Puente-Chino Hills Task Force
245 Verbena Lane
Brea, CA 92823

July 16, 2023

Submitted via email to: commplan@planning.lacounty.gov

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

These comments are provided by Sierra Club's Puente-Chino Hills Task Force. The Task Force focuses on the preservation of the Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. This Corridor spans four counties (Orange, Los Angeles, San Bernardino, and Riverside) and includes lands protected as Chino Hills State Park (CHSP) and the Puente Hills Preserve. We are responding to the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan and Final Environmental Impact Report (Project No. 2020-0 00612).

We support the Regional Planning Commission's consideration to rezone the Aera Energy lands in Southeastern Los Angeles County. Recommending this zone change to the Board of Supervisors will align Los Angeles County planning documents and make them consistent with one another.

The 3,000-acre ownership by Aera Energy, of which 2,700 acres are in unincorporated Los Angeles County are necessary to complete the long-planned Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. Not only would sprawling housing devastate the natural, scenic, and cultural resources, but it would also sever the over 27,000 acre Corridor. This would in turn destroy the investment of public funds that has already been made to protect this corridor.

This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area Ordinance. I urge your unanimous recommendation of this zone change.

The Puente-Chino Hills Task Force of the Sierra Club appreciates the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'E' followed by a horizontal line and a small loop.

Eric Johnson
Task Force Chair

From: [Wanda Ewing](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Saturday, July 15, 2023 1:20:23 PM

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Regional Planning Commission
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320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

As a resident of Rowland Heights for 43 years, I strongly feel it is crucial to preserve our ridge lines and hills from development. Our HILLS define our community.

I support the NEW land use policy that decreases the allowable number of units from 1-5 per acre to 1 unit per 40 acres (RL40). Our hills are not only important to us, but are crucial for our wildlife too. It is a wildlife corridor with an existing “underpass” wildlife crossing on Harbor Blvd. The area is either identified SEA and/or in a high fire hazard severity zone or adjacent to one.

The East San Gabriel Area Plan, of which Rowland Heights is a part of, identifies land use changes in the Puente Hills ridge lines AND those ridge lines needing protection.

For these reasons I support the proposed new RL40 standard that preserves our ridge lines.

Sincerely,

Wanda Ewing

From: [Royal Vista Open Space](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Saturday, July 15, 2023 1:18:30 PM

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Regional Planning Commission
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320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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Environmental Impact Report

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This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area Ordinance.

We urge your unanimous recommendation of this zone change.

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Royal Vista Open Space
Nonprofit Organization
SaveRoyalVista.com

From: [Gloria Rodriguez](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Saturday, July 15, 2023 10:21:17 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

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Sincerely,

Gloria Rodriguez
Whittier, CA

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From: [Gloria Rodriguez](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Saturday, July 15, 2023 10:16:55 AM

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Sincerely,

Gloria Rodriguez
Whittier, CA

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Gloria Rodriguez
Fifth Grade Teacher
Evergreen Elementary
(562) 464-2303

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From: [Christina Fernandez](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan
Date: Saturday, July 15, 2023 10:06:06 AM

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Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

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Sincerely,

Christina and Maria Fernandez
19367 Baelen Street
Rowland Heights Ca 92748
(626)393-4005

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Susan Longville - Div 3](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 11:35:47 AM

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As a Director at the the San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District for the last nine years, I am urging the Planning Commission to update the zoning for Significant Ecological Area (SEA) in Puente-Chino Hills. It serves as a critical area that connects the land at the intersection of Los Angeles, San Bernardino and Orange Counties that are threatened by urban sprawl. The SEA will not only protect the remaining wildlife, but also provide sensible housing densities in the Puente-Chino Hills directing new development to safer and more transportation-friendly zones. Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Director Susan Longville, Division 3, 909-772-0843

From: [maria.gritsch](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 3:32:03 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

I *support* the important natural resource protections in the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan.

The plan respects our Significant Ecological Areas and the Puente-Chino Hills wildlife corridor by making the appropriate zone changes for General Plan consistency. Fire hazard, worsened by climate change, will be reduced, and housing will be directed to better locations.

Thank you for the sustainable land use planning embodied in this Area Plan.

Sincerely,

Maria Gritsch

8854 Lookout Mountain Ave
LA, CA 90046

From: dwood8@cox.net
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 3:23:19 PM

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July 17, 2023

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

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Thank you.

Don Wood
619-463-9035
Dwood8@cox.net

From: [Dixie Switzer](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 2:55:16 PM

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July 17, 2023

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County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

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Thank you for the sustainable land use planning embodied in this Area Plan.

Sincerely,

Dixie Switzer

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

From: [VIOLET OUYANG](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 5:06:41 PM

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July 17, 2023

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
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RE: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

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Thank you for the sustainable land use planning embodied in this Area Plan.

Sincerely,

Violet Ouyang

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Shirley Hayhurst](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Tuesday, July 18, 2023 4:15:52 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

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Suggested comments:

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final
Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

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This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area and Community Wildfire Protection Ordinances. I urge your support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Shirley Hayhurst

From: rdaniel45@aol.com
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Wednesday, July 19, 2023 2:43:59 PM

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Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

Please support and uphold the Regional Planning Commission's decision to rezone the Aera Energy lands, in southeast Los Angeles County, to one house per 40 acres.

Recommending this zone change to the Board of Supervisors aligns Los Angeles County planning documents to make them consistent with one another.

Most of the 3,000 acre ownership is in Los Angeles county. Preventing this land from becoming a massive development is vitally important in order to protect and complete the Puente Hills-Chino Wildlife Corridor. Preservation of open space in our county must be given priority for both people and wildlife.

This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area Ordinance. I urge your approval and recommendation of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Richard Saretsky

20720 E. Walnut Canyon Road

Walnut, CA 91789

From: [Linda Kuo](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan
Date: Wednesday, July 19, 2023 12:03:30 PM

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Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

As a Rowland Heights resident and member of the Rowland Heights Planning Advisory Group that have met over the last one and half years in reviewing and providing feedback to updating the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan, I'm writing to support the staff recommendation to change the zoning of the Aera Energy lands to make this area align with existing policies and planning documents. The landscape is not within a transit area, lacks basic infrastructure, is in a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone, and is within a Significant Ecological Area.

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This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area and Community Wildfire Protection Ordinances. I urge your support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Linda Kuo
Rowland Heights Resident

From: mlrsz@icloud.com
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Thursday, July 20, 2023 2:55:20 PM

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Honorable Chair Hastings and Commissioners,

In the course of commuting everyday from Riverside County to Los Angeles County, I have always been aware of what a bottleneck the Chino Hills/Santa Ana Mountains area has presented to both commuters and wildlife. With this in mind, I heartily support the important natural resource protections in the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan. Protecting the Puente-Chino wildlife corridor and directing housing to better locations are essential parts of the Plan as is the need to reduce fire hazard. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,
Mary Lou Rosczyk
24435 Village Walk Place, #304
Murrieta, CA 92562

From: [JENNIFER SHEPARD](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Sunday, July 23, 2023 10:11:46 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. [2020-0 00612](#) East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final
Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chairperson Hastings and Commissioners:

The Los Angeles County's Planning Department has recommended a rezone of the Aera Energy lands, which are part of the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan. Spending the first 25 years of my life in the eastern San Gabriel Valley, I enthusiastically support this rezone and urge the Commission's recommendation for approval to the Board of Supervisors.

Rezoning this land will make the General Plan and its updated elements (Natural Resources and Public Safety specifically) consistent. This rezoning is further supported by the recent updated adoption of the Significant Ecological Area and Community Wildfire Protection Ordinances. This alignment is critical as a protection for future conservation and the positive future opportunities for generations to come.

For decades this land has been on the watch list for conservation purchase as part of the existing 28,000 acres of protected lands in the Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. To keep the Wildlife Corridor functioning, this parcel is essential for conservation.

I urge your unanimous support of this zone change. Thank you for doing all that you can to support future Californians through responsible land use.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Shepard
Via Vallarta, Yorba Linda
Previously Essex Street, Glendora

Sent from my mobile device, please excuse any typos.

From: [Gloria Schlaepfer](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Friday, July 21, 2023 8:26:09 PM

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July 21, 2023

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

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For many years, I have been part of a conservation group that has been keeping track of this land. It has been on the watch list for conservation purchase as part of the existing 28,000 acres of protected lands in the Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. In order to keep the Wildlife Corridor functioning, this parcel is essential for conservation.

I strongly urge your unanimous support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Gloria G. Schlaepfer
Anaheim, California

From: [Marsha Lombard](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Friday, July 21, 2023 12:38:13 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

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I urge your unanimous support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Marsha Lombard

From: [Jeri Braviroff](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Friday, July 21, 2023 11:11:03 AM

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I urge your unanimous support of this zone change.

Sincerely,
Jeri Braviroff
Diamond Bar, CA

From: [Johnathan Perisho](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Friday, July 21, 2023 10:17:33 AM

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Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

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Sincerely,

Johnathan Perisho
Los Angeles

From: [WARREN TENHOUTEN](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Tuesday, July 25, 2023 9:38:43 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

I *support* the important natural resource protections in the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan. The plan respects our Significant Ecological Areas and the Puente-Chino Hills wildlife corridor by making the appropriate zone changes for General Plan consistency. Fire hazard, worsened by climate change, will be reduced, and housing will be directed to better locations.

Thank you for the sustainable land use planning embodied in this Area Plan.

Sincerely,

Warren D. TenHouten

From: [Gloria Sefton](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Monday, July 24, 2023 8:17:43 PM
Attachments: [smime.p7s](#)
[ATT00001.txt](#)
[ATT00002.htm](#)

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

Los Angeles County's Planning Department has recommended a rezone of the Aera Energy lands, which are part of the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan. I enthusiastically support this rezone and urge the Commission's recommendation for approval to the Board of Supervisors.

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I urge your unanimous support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Gloria Sefton
Attorney at Law
(949) 422-3413
gloriasefton@gmail.com

From: [Winston Vickers](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Tuesday, July 25, 2023 3:34:43 PM

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RE: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

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Thank you for the sustainable land use planning embodied in this Area Plan

Winston Vickers

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T. Winston Vickers, DVM, MPVM
Associate Veterinarian, UC Davis Wildlife Health Center, Co-Director California Mountain Lion
Project
Staff Veterinarian, Institute for Wildlife Studies
949-929-8643 (cell)
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From: [Orange County Chapter](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Wednesday, July 26, 2023 11:10:34 AM
Attachments: [07-26-23 Supporting East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan.pdf](#)

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

The Orange County Chapter of the California Native Plant Society (OCCNPS) supports the natural resource protections in the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan. Please see the attached letter that describes our support.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Wallace

President, OCCNPS



CALIFORNIA
NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY



To protect California's native plants and their natural habitats, today and into the future,
through science, education, stewardship, gardening, and advocacy.

July 26, 2023

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
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**RE: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final
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Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

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These changes are essential for wildlife. In addition, fire hazard will be reduced and housing will be directed to safer and more transportation-friendly locations.

Thank you for considering the sustainable land use planning that is embodied in this Area Plan.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Wallace

President, OCCNPS.org

From: [Arlynn Bottomley](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 7:57:52 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

I'm writing to support the Regional Planning Commission's consideration to rezone the Aera Energy lands in Southeastern Los Angeles County. Recommending this zone change to the Board of Supervisors aligns Los Angeles County planning documents to make them consistent with one another.

The 3,000 acre ownership, of which 2,700 acres are in unincorporated Los Angeles County are necessary to complete the long-planned Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. Not only would sprawling housing devastate the natural, scenic, and cultural resources, but it would also sever the 27,000+ acre Corridor.

This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area Ordinance. I urge your unanimous recommendation of this zone change.

Sincerely,
Arlynn Bottomley
Brea, CA 92821

From: [maria kramer](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Cc: firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East SGV Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Monday, July 24, 2023 8:21:34 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

I have been a Rowland Heights resident for the past 31 years and I am letting you know that I support the staff's recommendation for the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan to change the zoning of the AERA Energy lands.

The 2,700 acres of the AERA Energy lands have been planned for protection and incorporation into the Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. This area is irreplaceable in terms of its position as the missing middle helping link together the 28,000 acres of protected lands from the Puente Hills to Chino Hills across Los Angeles, Orange and Riverside counties. This land is in a VERY HIGH FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONE.

I urge your support of this zone change because I believe this decision will benefit all of us for a very long time in the future of our area.

Sincerely,

Maria Kramer
Rowland Heights Resident

From: [Jeremy Munns](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East SGV Area Plan and Final EIR
Date: Friday, July 21, 2023 10:40:59 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

As an LA County resident, I'm writing to support the staff recommendation for the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan to change the zoning of the Aera Energy lands to make this area align with existing policies and planning documents. The landscape is not within a transit area, lacks basic infrastructure, is in a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone, and is within a Significant Ecological Area.

The 2,700 acres of the Aera Energy lands have long been planned for protection and incorporation into the Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. This particular property is irreplaceable in terms of its position as the Missing Middle helping link together the 28,000 acres of protected lands from the Puente Hills to Chino Hills.

This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area and Community Wildfire Protection Ordinances. I urge your support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Munns
Pasadena / West Covina

From: [Carole Ayuso](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Cc: [Claire Schlotterbeck](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 Final EIR
Date: Monday, July 10, 2023 4:35:51 PM
Attachments: [Aera zoning .pdf](#)

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Please see attached letter supporting the Regional Planning Commissions consideration to rezone the Aera Energy lands in SE Los Angeles County.
Thank you.

Carole

July 10, 2023

commplan@planning.lacounty.gov

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final
Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

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Sincerely,

Carole Ayuso (drapkowski@sbcglobal.net)

Brea, California

From: [Fernando Argosino](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612 San Gabriel Vall Area Plan
Date: Saturday, July 8, 2023 12:41:02 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

commplan@planning.lacounty.gov
To: Regional Planning Commission
Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan


As a long-time resident of Rowland Heights, I cannot express how strongly I feel about the importance of viewing our ridgelines. From the, "Where in the Hills is Rowland Heights" bumper stickers of the 1980's to present day postings of photos of our hills in their various seasons on social media, our HILLS define our community.

I strongly support the NEW land use plan that decreases the allowable number of units from 1-5 units per acre to 1 unit per 40 acres (RL40). Our hills are not only important to us, but they are crucial for our wildlife too. It is a wildlife corridor and there even is an existing "underpass" wildlife crossing on Harbor Blvd. The area is either identified SEA and/or in a high fire hazard area or adjacent to one.

The East San Gabriel Area Plan, of which the Rowland Heights Plan is a part of, identifies land use changes in the Puente Hills ridgelines AND those ridgelines needing protection.

For these reasons I support the proposed new RL40 standard that preserves our ridgelines.

Sincerely,

Name Fernando Argosino
Address 19653 Arroyo Dr.
Rowland Hts, CA 91789
Phone (optional) _____
Signature 
Date 7/8/23

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Evi Meyer](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 10:02:10 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

I *support* the important natural resource protections in the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan. The plan respects our Significant Ecological Areas and the Puente-Chino Hills wildlife corridor by making the appropriate zone changes for General Plan consistency. Fire hazard, worsened by climate change, will be reduced, and housing will be directed to better locations. Thank you for the sustainable land use planning embodied in this Area Plan.

Sincerely,

Evi Meyer
448 Via Amar
Palos Verdes Estates, CA 90274

From: [Coleen Garcia](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612
Date: Tuesday, July 25, 2023 4:29:21 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Suggested comments:

Re: East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

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This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area and Community Wildfire Protection Ordinances. I urge your support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Coleen Garcia
Walnut, CA

From: [The Fitz Family](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0 00612
Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 4:54:46 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. [2020-0 00612](#) East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final
Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

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The 3,000 acre ownership, of which 2,700 acres are in unincorporated Los Angeles County, are necessary to complete the long-planned Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. Not only would sprawling housing devastate the natural, scenic, and cultural resources, but it would also sever the 27,000+ acre Wildlife Corridor. Additionally, housing in this area is of concern due to wildfire risk.

This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area Ordinance. I urge your unanimous recommendation of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Claire M. Fitz
La Verne, California

From: [The Malkin Family](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Project No. 2020-0-00612 East San Gabriel Valley Plan
Date: Saturday, July 8, 2023 7:19:07 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

commplan@planning.lacounty.gov

To: Regional Planning Commission

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan

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Sincerely,

Name Fernando Argosino

Address 19653 Avenida Dr.
Rowland Hts, CA 91789

Phone (optional) _____

Signature 

Date 7/8/23

From: [Donna Eisenberg](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Proposed Zone Change of Area Lands
Date: Saturday, July 8, 2023 7:25:01 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

I'm writing to support the Regional Planning Commission's consideration to rezone the Aera Energy lands in Southeastern Los Angeles County. Recommending this zone change to the Board of Supervisors aligns Los Angeles County planning documents to make them consistent with one another.

The 3,000 acre ownership, of which 2,700 acres are in unincorporated Los Angeles County are necessary to complete the long-planned Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. Not only would sprawling housing devastate the natural, scenic, and cultural resources, but it would also sever the 27,000+ acre Corridor.

This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area Ordinance. I urge your unanimous recommendation of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Donna Eisengerg

Brea, CA

From: [Jack Yao](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Cc: [Wanda Ewing](#)
Subject: Proposed Zone Change of the Aera Energy Lands in Los Angeles County
Date: Monday, July 24, 2023 4:10:26 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

Los Angeles County's Planning Department has recommended a rezone of the Aera Energy lands, which are part of the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan. I enthusiastically support this rezone and urge the Commission's recommendation for approval to the Board of Supervisors.

Rezoning this land will make the General Plan and its updated elements (Natural Resources and Public Safety specifically) consistent. This rezone is further supported by the recently updated adoption of the Significant Ecological Area and Community Wildfire Protection Ordinances.

For decades this land has been on the watch list for conservation purchase as part of the existing 28,000 acres of protected lands in the Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. To keep the Wildlife Corridor functioning, this parcel is essential for conservation.

I urge your unanimous support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Jack Yao
City of Walnut
California
United States of America

Thanks,

Jack Yao
6263829191
President



172 S. Brent Cir, City of Industry, CA 91789
Office: 909-598-5921 Email: jyao.dci@gmail.com

From: [Melony Paulson](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Proposed Zone Change of the Aera Lands
Date: Saturday, July 8, 2023 11:24:07 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final
Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

I'm writing to support the Regional Planning Commission's consideration to rezone the Aera Energy lands in Southeastern Los Angeles County. Recommending this zone change to the Board of Supervisors aligns Los Angeles County planning documents to make them consistent with one another.

The 3,000 acre ownership, of which 2,700 acres are in unincorporated Los Angeles County are necessary to complete the long-planned Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. Not only would sprawling housing devastate the natural, scenic, and cultural resources, but it would also sever the 27,000+ acre Corridor.

This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area Ordinance. I urge your unanimous recommendation of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Melony Paulson

Diamond Bar

From: [Renee Amen](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Puente-Chino Hills missing middle
Date: Tuesday, July 25, 2023 7:44:20 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Re:Project # 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan

Dear Chair Hastings and Commisioners

LA County Planning Dept has recommended a rezone of of the Aera Energy Lands,
I enthusiastically support this rezone plan and urge the commission
to recommend approval to the Board of Supervisors.

As a native So Cal resident, avid hiker and supporter of open space for all please approve this
item This land is the missing middle for the wildlife corridor.

Renee Amen
Yorba Linda

From: [Colleen Kirtland](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan
Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 2:52:02 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
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320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final
Environmental Impact Report

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Sincerely,
Colleen Kirtland, Chino Hills hiker and resident
Yorba Linda CA

From: [Elizabeth Lambe](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: RE: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Monday, July 24, 2023 11:18:38 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Dear Commissioner Hastings and fellow Commissioners,

I support the important natural resource protections in the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan.

Not only does the plan have strong policies for resource protection, but it also *reduces* housing densities in the Puente-Chino Hills to low levels. These changes are essential for wildlife and to direct housing to safer and more transportation-friendly locations.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Lambe
714/357-8576

From: [Stephen Pink](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Saturday, July 8, 2023 6:43:09 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

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Sincerely,

Stephen Pink
Brea, CA
pink4bigsur@gmail.com

From: [Teresa Wang](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 9:19:15 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
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Sincerely,

Teresa Wang
Diamond Bar, CA

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~* Teresa Wang *~

(626)-715-9114

teresawang227@gmail.com

From: [Justin Pierce](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 2:50:31 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

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Sincerely,

John Justin Pierce
Diamond Bar California Resident and Educator

From: [J Julian](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 6:38:21 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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Sincerely,

Janell Julian and Dr. Kenton Abel
Hacienda Heights, CA

From: ellenandron@roadrunner.com
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Cc: ellenandron@roadrunner.com; info@HillsForEveryone.org
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 4:31:51 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

July 7, 2023

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final
Environmental Impact Report

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This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area Ordinance. I urge your unanimous recommendation of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Ellen Grau
Yorba Linda, CA

My property is directly across Chino State Park from this acreage.

From: [Justin Pierce](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 2:50:31 PM

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Sincerely,

John Justin Pierce
Diamond Bar California Resident and Educator

From: [Jeanne Renner](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#); [Jeanne Renner](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Sunday, July 9, 2023 6:43:38 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

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Sincerely,

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Jeanne Renner
11743 North Circle Drive
Whittier, CA 90601
562.400.5483 Cell/Text
jeanne.renner@gmail.com

From: [John Bennett](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Monday, July 10, 2023 2:45:16 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

July 10, 2023

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final
Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

I'm writing to support the Regional Planning Commission's consideration to rezone the Aera Energy lands in Southeastern Los Angeles County. My wife and I have lived within sight of the Aera Energy lands for the past 30 years. We utilize Brea Canyon Rd. as our primary access into Brea for shopping, dining and recreation. During this time, we have observed the diversity of wildlife that inhabits the area and frequently crosses Brea Canyon Rd. to get to the open areas to the east. Our first preference would be to have this area permanently declared open space. However, at this time, we strongly support the proposed zoning change to limit residential development to 40-acre parcels. We also note that this zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area Ordinance.

Thank you for developing this alternative and for an opportunity to register our support.

Sincerely,

John & Barbara Bennett

20609 E Oak Crest Dr.
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

From: [Susan Kearns](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Sunday, July 16, 2023 3:12:52 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

As an LA County resident, I'm writing to support the staff recommendation for the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan to change the zoning of the Aera Energy lands to make this area align with existing policies and planning documents. The landscape is not within a transit area, lacks basic infrastructure, is in a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone, and is within a Significant Ecological Area.

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Sincerely,

Susan Kearns
Rowland Heights

From: [J Julian](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Saturday, July 15, 2023 7:51:13 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

As an LA County resident, I'm writing to support the staff recommendation for the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan to change the zoning of the Aera Energy lands to make this area align with existing policies and planning documents. The landscape is not within a transit area, lacks basic infrastructure, is in a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone, and is within a Significant Ecological Area.

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Sincerely,

Janell Julian
Kenton Abel
Hacienda Heights, CA

From: [Kelley Walker](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Saturday, July 15, 2023 12:12:58 PM
Attachments: [smime.p7s](#)
[ATT00001.txt](#)
[ATT00002.htm](#)
Importance: High

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

As an LA County resident, I'm writing in support of the staff recommendation for the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan to change the zoning of the Aera Energy lands to make this area align with existing policies and planning documents. The landscape is not within a transit area, lacks basic infrastructure, is in a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone, and is within a Significant Ecological Area.

The 2,700 acres of the Aera Energy lands have long been planned for protection and incorporation into the Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. This particular property is irreplaceable in terms of its position as the Missing Middle helping link together the 28,000 acres of protected lands from the Puente Hills to Chino Hills.

This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area and Community Wildfire Protection Ordinances. I urge your support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Kelley Walker
Rowland Heights

From: [Flor Garcia](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 12:10:47 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

As an LA County resident, I'm writing to support the staff recommendation for the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan to change the zoning of the Aera Energy lands to make this area align with existing policies and planning documents. The landscape is not within a transit area, lacks basic infrastructure, is in a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone, and is within a Significant Ecological Area.

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Sincerely,

Flor Favela-Garcia
Rowland Heights

From: [Mary Glaser](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Tuesday, July 18, 2023 6:14:08 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

I'm writing to support the Regional Planning Commission's consideration to rezone the Aera Energy lands in Southeastern Los Angeles County and partially in North Orange County. Recommending this zone change to the Board of Supervisors aligns Los Angeles County planning documents to make them consistent with one another.

The 3,000 acre ownership, of which 2,700 acres are in unincorporated Los Angeles County are necessary to complete the long-planned Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. Not only would sprawling housing devastate the natural, scenic, and cultural resources, but it would also sever the 27,000+ acre Corridor.

This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area Ordinance. I urge your unanimous recommendation of this zone change.

Sincerely,
Mary Glaser
Yorba Linda, CA

From: [Stephen Pink](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Saturday, July 22, 2023 1:07:02 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

Los Angeles County's Planning Department has recommended a rezone of the Aera Energy lands, which are part of the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan. **I enthusiastically support this rezone and urge the Commission's recommendation for approval to the Board of Supervisors.**

Rezoning this land will make the General Plan and its updated elements (Natural Resources and Public Safety specifically) consistent. This rezone is further supported by the recent updated adoption of the Significant Ecological Area and Community Wildfire Protection Ordinances.

For decades this land has been on the watch list for conservation purchase as part of the existing 28,000 acres of protected lands in the Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. To keep the Wildlife Corridor functioning, this parcel is essential for conservation.

I live nearby this open area and hope to see it be an ecological area in the coming years.

Sincerely,

Stephen Pink
420 Sievers Ave
Brea, CA 92821
pink4bigsur@gmail.com

From: [H&W Toy](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Saturday, July 22, 2023 12:25:16 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final
Environmental Impact Report

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I urge your unanimous support of this zone change.

Sincerely,
Harold & Wendy Toy
477 Beverly Dr
Walnut, CA 91789

From: [Hal Sintov](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Saturday, July 22, 2023 1:38:40 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

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I urge your unanimous support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Harold Sintov
Horns Linda

From: [michelle](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Friday, July 21, 2023 7:58:09 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. [2020-0 00612](#) East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final
Environmental Impact Report

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I urge your unanimous support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Michelle Owens

Brea, CA

From: [Teresa Wang](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Friday, July 21, 2023 7:56:14 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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I urge your unanimous support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Teresa Wang
Diamond Bar

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~* Teresa Wang *~

(626)-715-9114

teresawang227@gmail.com

From: [Melony Paulson](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Friday, July 21, 2023 3:09:59 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

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I urge your unanimous support of this zone change.

Sincerely,
Melony Paulson

Diamond Bar, CA

From: [Colleen Kirtland](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Friday, July 21, 2023 9:21:58 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

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I urge your unanimous support of this zone change.

Sincerely,
Colleen Kirtland
Chino Hills, Orange county border resident

From: [Logan Kock](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Cc: ["carolinedavidson44@gmail.com"](mailto:carolinedavidson44@gmail.com)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Tuesday, July 25, 2023 10:34:32 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Logan and Caroline Kock
175 Olinda Dr
Brea CA

7/25/2023

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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Environmental Impact Report

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I urge your unanimous support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Logan and Caroline



R. Logan Kock, CSO

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Logan@smseafood.com

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From: [Jack Qi](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Tuesday, July 25, 2023 1:32:41 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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I urge your unanimous support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Jack Qi

Walnut resident

From: [Adriana Quinones](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Cc: [algordon91@gmail.com](#); [Serrano, Ryan](#); [Gonzalez, Edith](#); [firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Wednesday, July 26, 2023 4:54:28 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

Los Angeles County's Planning Department has recommended a rezone of the Aera Energy lands, which are part of the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan.

I enthusiastically support this rezone and urge the Commission's recommendation for approval to the Board of Supervisors.

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I urge your unanimous support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Adriana Quiñones
Hacienda Heights Community Advocate

[Sent from AT&T Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

From: [Christine Kim](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: RE: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 7:09:10 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

I wholeheartedly *SUPPORT* the important natural resource protections in the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan. The plan respects our Significant Ecological Areas and the Puente-Chino Hills wildlife corridor by making the appropriate zone changes for General Plan consistency. Fire hazard, worsened by climate change, will be reduced, and housing will be directed to better locations.

Thank you so much for the sustainable land use planning embodied in this Area Plan.

Best regards,

Christine Kim

From: [Marilyn Slagle](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report
Date: Monday, July 10, 2023 9:10:50 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

Please support the Regional Planning Commission's consideration to rezone the Aera Energy lands in Southeastern Los Angeles County. Recommending this zone change to the Board of Supervisors aligns Los Angeles County planning documents to make them consistent with one another.

The 3,000 acre ownership, of which 2,700 acres are in unincorporated Los Angeles County are necessary to complete the long-planned Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. Not only would sprawling housing devastate the natural, scenic, and cultural resources, but it would also sever the 27,000+ acre Corridor.

This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area Ordinance. I urge your unanimous recommendation of this zone change.

Sincerely,
Marilyn Slagle
Placentia, California

From: [Deborah Enos](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Cc: firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov; membershiprhccc@rowland-heights.org; [Serrano, Ryan](#); RowHtsWomensClub@gmail.com
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East SGV Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report -- Support for Hillside Zoning Change
Date: Saturday, July 15, 2023 2:43:15 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

As a Rowland Heights resident of over 20 years, I'm writing to support the staff recommendation for the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan to change the zoning of the AERA Energy lands to reflect our community's values of preserving our natural areas, as well as, aligning with existing local, regional and state policies and planning documents.

The 2,700 acres of the AERA Energy lands have long been planned for protection and incorporation into the Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor by concerned citizens and a broad coalition of the cities and environmental groups bordering these ecologically sensitive foothills. This area is irreplaceable in terms of its position as the Missing Middle helping link together the 28,000 acres of protected lands from the Puente Hills to Chino Hills. New housing, as decades of planning and climate change models have shown, is best suited to urban infill adjacent to jobs, services and mass transportation nodes and not in areas that displace natural ecosystems. The land in question is not within a transit area, lacks basic infrastructure, is in a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone, and is within a Significant Ecological Area. In other words, in this day and age, 100% inappropriate for large scale development.

History will be our judge and it is incumbent on each of us, as caretakers of our natural spaces, to ensure the protection of vulnerable species and disappearing habitats, as well as, maintaining natural open spaces for current and future generations. Once lost, there is no returning these critical natural ecosystems to our urban environments. And as demonstrated during the pandemic, access to local open space is a matter of social justice and equity that strengthens physical and mental well-being.

As caretakers of our planet, it is our collective duty to be good stewards of our natural lands. The Puente-Chino Hills are a local treasure worth preserving as our legacy for all the people of Los Angeles County and Southern California to enjoy and for the protection of the flora and fauna that call this portion of our precious foothills home.

I urge your support of this zone change, the decision to stand with the community will be a defining moment in LA County's leadership and commitment to our shared values of responsible development and protection of our last remaining urban green spaces.

Sincerely,

Deborah Enos
Rowland Heights Resident

cc: 1st District LACBOS, Supervisor Hilda Solis and staff representative for Rowland Heights,
Rowland Heights Community Coordinating Council
Rowland Heights Women's Club

From: [Charles Lawrence](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: RE: PROJECT NO. 2020-0 00612 EASTSAN GABRIEL VALLEY PLAN & FINAL EIR REPORT
Date: Tuesday, July 25, 2023 10:27:41 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

I urge your unanimous support of the above Zone Change!

This is one of the last opportunities to save what little natural open space we have left in this part of the County.

Also, it is the last opportunity to save and complete the much ecologically needed Puente Hills-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor.

Your approval of this matter will help create a regional "Natural Monument" that will out-live us all.

Sincerely

Charles Lawrence

Charles Lawrence
Arroyo Consulting
PO Box 550
Whittier, CA 90608
(562) 695-4450 Office
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cel.arroyo25@gmail.com

From: [Ren](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 ESGV Area Plan & Final EIR
Date: Thursday, July 20, 2023 8:47:47 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Re: Project No. [2020-0 00612](#) East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

As an LA County resident for 32 years, I'm writing to support the staff recommendation for the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan to change the zoning of the Aera Energy lands to make this area align with existing policies and planning documents. The landscape is not within a transit area, lacks basic infrastructure, is in a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone, and is within a Significant Ecological Area.

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Sincerely,

Ren

Rowland Heights, CA

From: [darrin pattison](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612
Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 10:56:17 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. [2020-0 00612](#) East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final
Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

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Sincerely,

Darrin Pattison
La Mirada resident

From: [anne marie](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Regional Planning Commission County of Los Angeles 320 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012 Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners: Los Angeles County...
Date: Saturday, July 22, 2023 7:47:22 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

From: [Jeff Allison](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Rezone of Aera Energy land
Date: Wednesday, July 12, 2023 5:50:10 AM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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Sincerely,

Jeffrey Allison
La Habra Heights

From: [Louise O'Hara](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Rezone of Aera energy Lands
Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 4:40:56 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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Sincerely,
Louise O'Hara
Resident of West Chino Hills

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Ellie Connelly](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Rezone the Aera Energy Lands in SE Los Angeles County
Date: Thursday, July 13, 2023 7:39:01 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 E San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Comissioners:

My husband, William, and I live in Brea and our house overlooks Brea Canyon.

We are very much in favor of rezoning of the Aera land. We urge your unanimous recommendation of this zone change. Thank you.

Eleanor Connelly
714-257-9354

Sent from my iPad

From: [nporter10](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Rezoning the Aera Energy lands in Southeastern Los Angeles County
Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 3:16:51 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

I'm writing to support the Regional Planning Commission's consideration to rezone the Aera Energy lands in Southeastern Los Angeles County. Recommending this zone change to the Board of Supervisors aligns Los Angeles County planning documents to make them consistent with one another.

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Sincerely,

Nicholas Porter

From: [Gilbert Estrada](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: RH Plan 40 Acres
Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 7:29:44 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Sent from my iPhone
Gilbert R. Estrada
626-810-4056

commplan@planning.lacounty.gov

To: Regional Planning Commission

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan

As a long-time resident of Rowland Heights, I cannot express how strongly I feel about the importance of viewing our ridgelines. From the, "Where in the Hills is Rowland Heights" bumper stickers of the 1980's to present day postings of photos of our hills in their various seasons on social media, our HILLS define our community.

I strongly support the NEW land use plan that decreases the allowable number of units from 1-5 units per acre to 1 unit per 40 acres (RL40). Our hills are not only important to us, but they are crucial for our wildlife too. It is a wildlife corridor and there even is an existing "underpass" wildlife crossing on Harbor Blvd. The area is either identified SEA and/or in a high fire hazard area or adjacent to one.

The East San Gabriel Area Plan, of which the Rowland Heights Plan is a part of, identifies land use changes in the Puente Hills ridgelines AND those ridgelines needing protection.

For these reasons I support the proposed new RL40 standard that preserves our ridgelines.

Sincerely,

Name MARY PRICE

Address 20043 Emerald Meadow Dr
Walnut CA 91789

Phone (optional) (626) 824-7974

Signature Mary Price

Date 7/8/2023

From: [ELVIRA zamora](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Savings wild life
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 5:06:28 PM

CAUTION: External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

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Sincerely,

Elvira Zamora
Rowland Heights.

From: [Rylans Yahoo](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Sera Energy Lands
Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 6:21:33 PM

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Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

I'm writing to support the Regional Planning Commission's consideration to rezone the Aera Energy lands in Southeastern Los Angeles County. Recommending this zone change to the Board of Supervisors aligns Los Angeles County planning documents to make them consistent with one another.

The 3,000 acre ownership, of which 2,700 acres are in unincorporated Los Angeles County are necessary to complete the long-planned Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. Not only would sprawling housing devastate the natural, scenic, and cultural resources, but it would also sever the 27,000+ acre Corridor.

This zone change will formalize what has already been adopted in the Significant Ecological Area Ordinance. I urge your unanimous recommendation of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Rylan Reynolds CRNA, DNAP
Oasis Anesthesia LLC

Orange County Resident and Business Owner

Sent from my iPhone

From: biodivlaw@aol.com
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Support for Puente-Chino Hills Significant Ecological Area
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 9:35:57 AM

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July 17, 2023

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

As a member of the Endangered Habitats League, I am writing to express my strong *support* for the important natural resource protections in the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan. The plan protects the critical Significant Ecological Areas and the Puente-Chino Hills wildlife corridor by making the appropriate zone changes for General Plan consistency. Protecting this and other significant wildlife corridors is absolutely essential to enable imperiled animals and plants to survive and adapt to increasing climate extremes. Animals need undisturbed places to live just like humans. The plan also reduces fire hazards, which also are exacerbated by climate change, and directs housing to more appropriate and sustainable locations. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Tara Mueller, El Cerrito, CA

From: [Paula Neale](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Support for rezoning Area Energy lands
Date: Monday, July 24, 2023 12:04:09 PM

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Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

Los Angeles County's Planning Department has recommended a rezone of the Aera Energy lands, which are part of the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan. I enthusiastically support this rezone and urge the Commission's recommendation for approval to the Board of Supervisors.

Rezoning this land will make the General Plan and its updated elements (Natural Resources and Public Safety specifically) consistent. This rezone is further supported by the recent updated adoption of the Significant Ecological Area and Community Wildfire Protection Ordinances.

For decades this land has been on the watch list for conservation purchase as part of the existing 28,000 acres of protected lands in the Puente-Chino Hills Wildlife Corridor. To keep the Wildlife Corridor functioning, this parcel is essential for conservation.

I urge your unanimous support of this zone change.

Sincerely,

Paula Neale
Brea, CA

From: [Sandra Zelasko](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Support Protection of Key Wildlife Corridor
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 11:26:37 AM

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July 17, 2023

Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Project No. 2020-0 00612 East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Chair Hastings and Commissioners:

I *support* the important natural resource protections in the East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan. The plan respects our Significant Ecological Areas and the Puente-Chino Hills wildlife corridor by making the appropriate zone changes for General Plan consistency. Fire hazard, worsened by climate change, will be reduced, and housing will be directed to better locations.

Thank you for the sustainable land use planning embodied in this Area Plan.

Sincerely,
Sandy Zelasko



From: [Carol McKenzie](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Zonin for AERA
Date: Monday, July 24, 2023 4:38:10 PM

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Please pass the zone requirement that provides the most extreme low density for housing or any other development.

This area should not be developed due to fire hazard and increased traffic in a high traffic area. Escape routes are likely to be clogged in emergencies.

If possible this land should be dedicated park land for the wildlife corridor.

Carol McKenzie, Ph.D
2511 Holliston Ave
Altadena 91001

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Sent from my iPhone

From: [Rose Leaton](#)
To: [DRP Community Studies East Area Section](#)
Subject: Zoning Project
Date: Sunday, July 23, 2023 10:34:14 PM

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Sincerely,

Dennis Leaton
Brea, CA 92821