

Hannigan, Edith@BOF

From: Lisa Ceazan <lisajonc@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 31, 2016 1:14 PM
To: Vegetation Treatment Program@BOF
Subject: California Habitat Clearance

Dear Ms. Hannigan:

Please reconsider your proposed action to destroy native habitat. This action has no sound basis in current science and ignores the will of the citizenry who you represent. It is incomprehensible to me that you wish to destroy life in order to preserve it. Native ecosystems are important for all living creatures' health and well-being: **IT IS IMPOSSIBLE ISOLATE OURSELVES FROM NATURE, AND TO DO SO IS NO SOLUTION.** Why not reconsider mitigations that address surrounding man-made fire-prone structures? We can live in harmony with nature if we make intelligent choices. Destroying the chapparral is not intelligent, nor is it humane or compassionate.

As a native Californian, it is so painful to me that so little is left of the glorious chaparral I used to explore and enjoy as a young person. Please, please, review the scientific literature to understand that preserving nature is a much better choice than destroying it.

Sincerely,

Lisa Ceazan
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