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From: Donald Wielenga < >
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 7:21 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Arroyo Restoration Plan

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Dear Pasadena City Council Members,

Please keep to the science when adopting the Arroyo Restoration Plan. This plan is a good one except that it does not call for the removal of the red gum Eucalyptus and Canary Island Pine. Those exotic species should be removed and replaced with native trees that are as beautiful and help restore the precious native ecosystem.

Sincerely,
Don Wielenga

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From: Cassandra Marketos <
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 2:50 PM
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Subject: Pasadena / Lower Arroyo

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Hi there,

I wanted to write you a message regarding the plan for restoration of the Lower Arroyo Seco. It's my understanding, from following recent proceedings, that a group of local residents are eager to preserve some large trees in the area that - although invasive - are familiar and beloved. First, let me say that I am enormously compassionate toward residents' emotional attachment to these big trees. It's likely they have spent years with them, that their kids love them, that they feel attached to them, etc. I also understand that removing large trees in the act of "preservation" seems counterintuitive. (It's not, though!)

I'm moved to write to you today to express a few, simple points:

- 1.) Native plant restoration is an all-or-nothing proposition - you either do it right, or you might as well not be doing it. Unless we commit to the wholesale removal of all invasives and non-native species, our ability to get back to some baseline of balance and true ecological function will be very constrained.
- 2.) The general public's understanding of "healthy" natural environments remains deeply misguided, to the sustained detriment of our local ecological communities. This is unfortunate beyond words. It is imperative that we do everything we can *now* to better educate people on both the reality and the true benefits of native plant restoration efforts! Including, yes, fully committing - despite resistance!- to efforts like the Lower Arroyo restoration project. Once people see and experience the benefits of efforts like this, they will be forever invested in nature that is healthy versus just nature that they perceive as pretty. And the stakes, at this time, could just not be higher in terms of instigating a shift in the general public consciousness.
- 3.) Although it may take time, the benefits of a full native plant restoration effort in the Lower Arroyo Seco will pay off enormously in terms of public enjoyment, general beauty of the area, the health of the waterway and soil, and the attraction of beautiful wildlife, like birds, bees, and butterflies. For generations to come, residents will have these benefits to enjoy. They will form new love to this nature, and a love that is sustainable across decades and decades to come because it's a true & healthily functioning ecosystem.

For reference on my own interest in this: I live in Highland Park, right on the edge of Pasadena, and am a regular park goer. I love the Arroyo because it is one of the few parks I can go to where native plants actually flourish! Please, please listen to our voices, as well.

Warmly,
Cass

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Los Angeles, CA 90042

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From: Keiko Miller < >
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 2:49 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Arroyo Seco Habitat Resoration Program - for distribution purpose

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November 20, 2020

Dear Councilmember Steve Madison,

Greetings. Please accept this letter on behalf of the Arroyo Seco Foundation. The latter's habitat restoration effort *Lower Arroyo Habitat Restoration Program* begs the support from its community to stand behind its proposal to eliminate invasive vegetation endemic to Canary Island (*pinus canariesis*) and Australia (Red Gum *eucalyptus*).

Given this wilderness as "the city's only designated nature preserve", it is important to discern the critical elements, which seem to divide the community into two opposing groups on this complex issue. From an aesthetic standpoint, the current statute created by already grown pine and eucalyptus trees may offer an undeniably pleasant experience (nostalgia) to anyone, including scientists and naturalists, who happens to visit the area for relaxation. In this, to be sure, there is no divide among all of us who want this rare space to not only be preserved but also sustained. If so, then the difference with which scientists and naturalists must advocate nature so that the local residents and public can enjoy the lasting beauty becomes *a deliberate long-term act of healing, as the word "restoration" signifies*. It is here that we must learn to let go of our earlier human doings and restore nature according to its own operative.

When Spaniards came to California, they were still very attached to their home in Spain. Their native Canary Island pinecones gave them temporary solace and hope in a new land where the vegetation looked too foreign to them. Clearly they succeeded in growing them, providing shades and familiar landscapes of their Old World, not knowing its long term negative consequences, such as drought and potential health imbalance. What this habitat restoration program is doing is to undo this unintended harmful effect of the human doing. We are only realizing it as a necessary act to preserve what's little left of nature according to its own law—the hard way. It appears to be as hard as we have humanized it. But if we could teach our children about this fact, then we could bring not only this little wilderness patch back to its original health, but also other more dynamic phenomena, such as spring water and native wild life. The time is critical.

In summary, I strongly support the Arroyo Seco Foundation's *Arroyo Seco Foundation Habitat Restoration Program* with its plan to remove the Canal Island Pine trees and Austrarian Eucalyptus trees from its nature preserve. I do so to preserve not only the said area as a critical source of our livelihood, but also the fundamental element of integrity of the Arroyo Seco Foundation that operates in synchronicity with the law of nature, the source of science and wisdom.

Yours truly,
Keiko Takioto Miller

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From: Jane Tsong <[redacted]@com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 2:19 PM
To: Madison, Steve; PublicComment-AutoResponse
Cc: info@arroyoseco.org
Subject: Lower Arroyo Habitat Restoration Program: Please remove non-native trees in the Arroyo- their protectors are mis-informed

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Hello,

I am writing to urge you to respect the science-based plan put forth in the *Lower Arroyo Habitat Restoration Program*, by removing the non-native trees (Canary Island Pines and Eucalyptus) according to the plan recommended by environmental experts.

The protectors of these large exotic trees currently on site are ill-informed and short-sighted. The City of Pasadena and its citizens will be better served if expert recommendations based on sound science are respected. The opinions of residents who do not understand the large picture of regional ecology and biodiversity should not be privileged above the recommendations of the very experts who have been sought out to produce a science-based restoration plan that will have lasting value for our region.

The natural character of the Arroyo has been an important part of the identity of Pasadena. During this era where global biodiversity, the health of our remaining waterways, and the next generation's understanding of and exposure to nature appear increasingly uncertain, protecting the integrity of our unique local habitats is more important than ever. Let's not let the natural character of the Arroyo become solely something we speak of only in the past tense.

Please respect the *Lower Arroyo Habitat Restoration Program* by not selectively revising it based on the personal opinion of a few under-informed people.

Jane Tsong
N. Marengo Ave
Pasadena CA 91103

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From: Katie Riggs <...>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 1:38 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Lower Arroyo Habitat Restoration Program

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To: Pasadena City Clerk, for distribution to council members

Hello,

I am writing about the Lower Arroyo Habitat Restoration Program. First of all, I believe this is a very valuable program for the restoration of vital habitat in Pasadena. This area is one of the best spots for nature walks and birdwatching in Pasadena, so it is very important to me that the restoration be done according to best practices. The decisions we make now will have very long term consequences for this ecosystem.

I would ask that you please approve the contract for the program when it comes before you, but PLEASE say no to the addition of invasive trees that are included in the package as written. I would ask that you please have the Australian Red Gum Eucalyptus trees and the Canary Island Pines removed from the restoration area, as neither belongs in the designated nature preserve.

Eucalyptus trees drain their surroundings and prevent native plants from growing. They are also a fire risk. Canary Island Pines suffer from a type of toxic mold, dangerous to humans and other plants.

Thank you very much for your time and energy for this important project. Sincerely yours,
Katie Riggs
Pasadena

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From: Kwithy Kat < >
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 12:10 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Lower Arroyo Habitat Restoration Program

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To whom it may concern,

I've been following the developments of the Lower Arroyo Habitat Restoration Program and see that the choice has been made to preserve invasive species of trees, namely the Eucalyptus and Canary Island pines. I'm writing this message to strongly encourage consideration for their removal to honor the true purpose of this program; to regenerate the natural habitat of the Lower Arroyo landscape.

As an avid gardener and landscaper, I understand the difficulty of grappling with what plants to preserve and what plants to remove. It's easy to get attached, especially to plants that are thriving and offer their own unique beauty. While I can acknowledge the desire to keep these trees and appease those who insist on such, this choice is ultimately out of alignment with the original intention of preserving and promoting the local flora. It's like beautifully cleaning a house but choosing to leave the bathroom dirty because a few people are more comfortable with the dirty bathroom. Please be a voice of reason for those of us who support the program in it's thorough approach to restoring the integrity of this precious ecosystem.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best wishes,
Kristen

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From: Janet Pickering <[redacted]>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 12:06 PM
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Pls get rid of the eucalyptus and canary island pines.

I live at

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From: Noel Rhodes < >
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 11:52 AM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Arroyo Seco

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To the Pasadena City Council.

Please include the removal of the large Red Gum Eucalyptus in the plan for the Arroyo Seco.

As someone who walks the Arroyo every morning with my family I want to support any effort to protect this precious natural area and the native plants and animals that are able to survive here.

These eucalyptus trees have a very negative impact on the local native plants and animals. We need to encourage and protect the native habitats we have left.

Thank you!

Noel Rhodes
Highland Park

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Doug Molitor <dm>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 11:52 AM
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I lived in Altadena/Pasaden most of my life. Preserving invasive species like eucalyptus and Canary Island palms is not the way to restore habitat. Why is this even an issue, if we're truly restoring natural habitat?

Best regards,

Doug Molitor

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From: JD balzli <
Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2020 9:59 AM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Lower Arroyo Habitat Restoration Program

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To: Pasadena City Clerk for distribution to Pasadena City Council

It is extremely disappointing that the City would consider keeping non-native invasive trees as part of the Lower Arroyo Habitat Restoration Program.

Red Gum Eucalyptus trees (from Australia) are highly susceptible to fire; and, their lightweight embers can spread farther than others in the wind, endangering nearby properties. These trees are fierce competitors for sunlight and soil nutrients, preventing native species from establishing and thriving in their vicinity.

Canary Island Pines (from islands off the coast of Africa) frequently harbor pathogens that can be damaging to local plants, animals, and even humans. Among those pathogens is *Cryptococcus gattii* which causes a respiratory fungal infection and can often spread to the brain. See more about this at <https://www.cdc.gov/fungal/diseases/cryptococcosis-gattii/index.html>.

These invasive trees should be removed under the Lower Arroyo Habitat Restoration Program. The specimens slated for conservation are not botanically unique, rare, or valuable. And, It would violate the very principles and concept of HABITAT RESTORATION to keep them in this plan. The Lower Arroyo Habitat Restoration Program should aim to remove all non-native species to make room for the diverse and beautiful range of plants and animals endemic to Pasadena.

Respectfully,

James Balzli
Pasadena resident

Martinez, Ruben

From: Betsy Mertens <
Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2020 11:00 AM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Arroyo Seco - Invasive trees issue

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I am writing today in support of the stance of the Arroyo Seco Foundation on the recent plans to remove non-native trees from the Arroyo Seco. There is no scientific rationale for omitting the Eucalyptus and Canary Island Pines from the list of trees to be removed. Please consider the recommendations made by the Psomas consultants and the city's park commission and include the removal of invasive non-native Eucalyptus and Canary Island Pines in the contract to be voted on by the city council.

Thank you,
Betsy Mertens

Pasadena 91105

Martinez, Ruben

From: Tim Brick <tim@arroyoseco.org>
Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2020 1:13 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Lower Arroyo Habitat Restoration Program
Attachments: Lower Arroyo Petition Signers.pdf

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Please include this information in the packet for Pasadena City Council Members regarding approval for the contract for the Lower Arroyo Habitat Restoration Program.

To: Mayor Tornek and the Honorable Council Members:

This petition was circulated by the Arroyo Seco Foundation to support the habitat restoration program as designed. Quickly more than 800 people signed the petition. Regrettably our views regarding the removal of Eucalyptus trees and Canary Island pines that do so much harm to the habitat of the Lower Arroyo have not been heeded.

"We support the Lower Arroyo Habitat Restoration Program and urge the City of Pasadena to protect the natural character of the Lower Arroyo and to replace the inappropriate, non-native trees."

The Arroyo Seco needs a nature-based, science-driven approach to protecting and restoring its natural character. Like the confederate general statues in the south, these invasive species will serve only as monuments to small-minded elitism and mistakes of the past.

We urge the Pasadena City Council to approve the contract for the restoration project but to instruct the contractor to remove the dangerous and fire-prone Eucalyptus trees and the Canary Island pines.

Sincerely,
Tim Brick
Managing Director
Arroyo Seco Foundation
(626) 639-4092

Comments from Supporters of the Lower Arroyo Habitat Restoration Program

We support the Lower Arroyo Habitat Restoration Program and urge the City of Pasadena to protect the natural character of the Lower Arroyo and to replace the inappropriate, non-native trees.

Number	Name	Zip	Comments
18	Jane Nolan	91106	Please let Mother Nature have her way!
17	Rhea Presiado	90740	
16	Portia Besocke	91030	Please remove the non-native trees and restore the native habitat to the Lower Arroyo Seco.
10	Grant Nasution	90640	Save it
15	Rachel Wing	91106	I fully support this proposal to restore native habitat in the Lower Arroyo Seco. I often walk there. I've noted the signs indicating some of the invasive plants targeted for removal and I approve of that. As a professional in the field of habitat restoration myself, in which I lead an invasive plant removal crew, I am aware that it requires more than a one-time removal effort -- long-term maintenance and restoration efforts are key to success.
19	Tim Brick	91101	It's the nature that makes the Lower Arroyo so special. Let's do everything we can to restore and enhance the natural habitat of the Arroyo and remove the invasive trees and plants that degrade it.
20	Rick Besocke	91103	Please remove all the non-native trees in the lower arroyo

21	Barbara Eisenstein	91030	<p>seco, to increase the biodiversity and habitat for native species.</p> <p>I have been volunteering at South Pasadena's Arroyo Seco Woodland & Wildlife Park for 14 years. We remove nonnative invasive species, including trees, to facilitate the gradual development of good habitat. Invasive, nonnative trees are an impediment to oak woodland habitat because they out-compete more appropriate native species. They also do not provide the best food, shelter, nesting materials and sites, and appropriate perches for native birds and other native animals. Chinese elm, eucalyptus, shamel ash, pepper trees and other nonnatives should be removed from the Lower Arroyo so they don't spread further degrading the ecosystem.</p>
22	Barbara Chung	90403	
23	Emily	91107	<p>Restoring native plants and trees improves the health of all ecosystems, and brings balance back to our unique area. Native trees need less water and maintenance since they are meant to be here. Long live native trees!</p>
25	Rebeca Poore	91001	<p>I am in support of the restoration. After seeing the beautiful transformation of the devils gate bridge I want the arroyo to continue to be restored with natives so that it will be a thriving ecosystem!</p>
26	Becka Rodgers	90042	<p>This truly seems like a no brainer. PLEASE let the non native plants be removed, natives reestablished, that way we can all sit back and watch the biodiversity FLOURISH</p>
27	Mark Warwick	91001	<p>Please bring natives back to the lower arroyo!</p>
28	Haley Hopkins	91205	<p>PLEASE, PLEASE Support this Habitat Restoration project!! The Arroyo Seco we all love so dearly could really use this and flourish for all of the critters and companions, including us, who inhabit it :-)</p>

29	Andreas Sautter	90066	As a supporter of the unique biodiversity of this region I support support this important project.
30	Benjamin Bishop	91011	
31	Ayesha Randall	91103-2026	
32	Melanie Winter	91604	
33	Heather Heath	90027	
34	Sarajo Frieden	90027	
36	Lauren Mahaffie	90065	
37	Thea Wang	91208	I support this habitat restoration plan. It is so important to have a comprehensive plan for getting habitat to function for native wildlife and plants. We must plan for the future and start to make the lower arroyo a better native community of species.
38	Monique O♦Conner	91107	Replace non-natives with native species. If not replaced, non-natives will likely establish once again.
39	L Weidman	91103	
40	Cheri	91001	This change is absolutely essential to the mitigation of wildfires and keeping our environment safe and healthy.
41	Sean Beck	90245	I support restoring the lower arroyo with native plants.
44	Ed & Bee Simpson	91030	We believe natural habitats are the best for NATURE! Some people may like non native plants, but the animals who evolved with the natural flora need the natives. Restoring the land will ensure survival of other natives like birds, insects, and other animals. Thank you.
45	Brenna C	90065	

46	Bob Snodgrass	91103	I support the removal of non native plants and trees from the lower Arroyo, which will enhance its beauty and resistance to further climate change
47	Cassandra Marketos	90042	Please can we get past this bullshit, uninformed, emotional attachment to non-native, water-sucking, soil-acidifying trees? Nobody should be allowed to weigh in on this issue without being meaningfully informed about the ecological habitat they're attempting to control.
48	Tina Hart	91105	
49	Kelli OLeary	90042-1612	
51	Liga Auzins	92840	
52	Jordan Sanchez	91803	While the beauty of Australian eucalyptus and other non-native trees is pleasing, restoration of native ecosystems is of far greater importance to the health of our wilderness than aesthetics. We have precious little wilderness remaining in Southern California and must take responsibility for our role in caring for our natural home.
53	Bob Gutzman	91105	Non-natives are far inferior to native trees in every respect. One of the primary reasons to remove these non-natives is that eucalyptus and pine trees are extremely flammable. Of course, we don't want a fire ripping through the Arroyo, but if one were to happen it would be foolhardy to have kept these eucalyptus and pine "matchsticks" when we had the chance to remove them.
54	Shawn Jimmerson	90065	

55	Julio C Gaxiola	90280	Please support the movement to remove non-native trees and plants to replace them with native vegetation. Restoring native plants will help with factors such as climate resilience and improving habitats for native species. Thank you.
56	Lorna Brosio	91024	People should want to understand science and how it helps us, and helps plants and animals too.
57	Paloma	90032	
58	Carol Clements	91104	Please use Ca native vegetation in this natural drought resistant environment. Its only getting hotter here and hopefully the natives will survive!
59	Marcie Chan	91105	It is very important to remove non-native trees/shrubs /grasses and replace them with native plants. This will help tremendously with the health of the Lower Arroyo which has been declining noticeably over the past 20+ years-- likely due to non-native plants out-competing the native plants and degrading the local biome. The co-benefits of undertaking this plan will be tremendous to the native plants and animals.
60	SAVANNA WISTERIA	98513	Restore our habitat!
61	Mary Beth DeHainaut	91030	
62	SAVANNA WISTERIA	98513	Restore our habitat!
63	Denise Jauregui	90057	
64	Betty Sword	91104-3708	
65	Mary Gandsey	91104	
66	Elizabeth	91104	Please restore native habitat in the lower Arroyo Seco.

67	Rebeka Gallardo	91103	We have a unique opportunity to bring the Arroyo back to its naturalized state, using the native plants that are best suited for creating an historically accurate, environmentally sound, aesthetically appropriate and ecologically diverse habitat. The replacement of the existing non-native trees with native vegetation is crucial to re-creating this unique setting, and now that we have the opportunity to do a comprehensive restoration, it would be foolish not to follow through with this proposed plan.
68	Edwina Travis-Chin	91104	
69	Janet pickering	91101	It's my favorite place in the area.
71	Valerie Cabral	90670	
72	Valerie Cabral	90670	
73	Kendall davis	86001	I love my home of pasadena!
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75	Saveida Vazquez	90041	Creating a natural habitat by using native plants will only enhance the arroyo with it's beautification and eco system
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77	Bat Vardeh	91101	The lower arroyo is a treasured natural area that should be protected and rehabilitated to its best possible state.
78	Mickey Long	91780	I fully support this project to replace non-native trees with indigenous natives. Much research has shown that non-native trees completely fail to support native insects and the full ecosystem function they provide. This includes huge numbers of caterpillars as food for native birds.

Initially any restoration project has a period of short-term, aesthetic reduction, but the long-term growth of new trees and shrubs will bring the area back to a beautiful and functioning ecosystem. Mickey Long, L.A. Co. Natural Areas Administrator, retired.

79	Benjamin Oswald	90032	Please use as many native california plants as possible so as to provide the proper support for our wildlife!
80	Eva Gramyk	91101	Removing these non-native trees and plants are the critical components for native habitat restoration.
81	Daniel Walter	90042	I live just a few blocks from the arroyo seco and go jogging there 3-4 times a week. I have always wanted to have the non native plants removed and replaced with our beautiful native california fauna in order to support more of our native fauna. We have so few places left in Southern California where this is possible and I strongly support efforts to restore native flora to the lower arroyo.
82	Josh	91107	
83	Matthew Loftis	90240	I am a student studying Environmental science and a habitat restoration technician for a non-profit. From what I've learned first hand, habitat restoration projects like this have profound social and ecological impacts. Restoring the Lower Arroyo Seco will provide habitat for pollinators we depend on and shelter for plants and animals we admire. It is a step towards environmental equity and a chance to engage the community into something greater. Despair is paralysis. Restoration is healing.
84	Emily Tetri	91207	A native habitat would be more beautiful and give people an access point to understanding how beautiful native California landscapes can be while also providing important habitat resources. Please embrace this!

85	Adam Gelbart	90025	Los Angeles needs more green spaces and native, functioning ecosystems. Restoration here is so important to maintaining a semblance of what Los Angeles was and is and preserving countless species of plants and animals. I support the restoration and care of a beautiful and vitally important part of one of our few natural spaces.
86	Rachel Orfila	91030	I fully support habitat restoration in the Lower Arroyo Seco. Restoring native plants would create more habitat for wildlife and support bee and butterfly populations. I walk in this area regularly and have seen many invasive species crowding out native plants.
87	Timothy Callahan	91001	Commit to local eco-restoration
88	Johana M	90032	
89	Jeffrey Fenstermaker	91103	As a Pasadena home owner, I am writing to let you know that I support the removal of non native plant species from the Arroyo. As the Bobcat fire rages it is clear how crucial healthy native plants and ecosystems are to make up for the colonizing of non native flora and fauna. Please remove the non natives! Thanks so much.
90	Laura Atkinson	91104	
91	Rory McGuinness	91506	I support the proposal to restore this habitat to its native character for the future enjoyment of citizens and the health of our natural environments. Thanks!
92	Nicole Trevor	91011	I fully support the removal of non-native trees that are choking out native species.
93	Veronica Ferrantelli	91104	

94	peggy stewart	92661	non nActive trees need to be removed. No matter that we have become accustomed to them in this era of increased fire danger they must go.
95	Teresa Rios	90222-1415	
96	Brynna	91402	As a certified California Naturalist, I believe it is critically important to replace the non-native trees with natives. Our introduction of non-native plant life into our state is a huge problem. It has drastically reduced our biodiversity, as non-native trees don't provide anywhere near the amount of food and habitat for our wildlife, and often, they create dead zones underneath them where our native plants cannot grow. Many of the non-native trees are also extremely flammable and must be replaced if we are to weather climate change.
97	Sebastian Clough	90265	
98	Jade Sanceri	90650	No one likes to cut down fully mature trees, but this will improve the area in the long term and make it a better, healthier environment in the future
99	Teresa Rios	90222-1415	
100	Jessica Sanchez	90065	More native plants is one of the most important things we can do to help with future wildfires!
101	Emily Laguna	91103	
102	Jamie Scott	91105	Please make every effort to fully restore the habitat to its native state throughout the Arroyo Seco.
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104	Alfredo Martinez	90032	It is very important for us to restore/perserve this land. It is all around better for everyone

105	Rudy Sather	90042	California native plants must be prioritized.
106	Christina	91107	
107	Caleb Sotelo	91103	
108	Natalie Chandler	90031	We need native oaks, native willows, black walnut, and native sycamores to replace these removed trees.
109	Sheryl Turner	91104	
110	Tori Gruber	91356	Although these trees and grasses are beautiful, their root systems and spreading patterns threaten native plants. Native ecology is essential to the rehabilitation, resilience, and beauty of southern California. Brazilian peppercorn trees and pampas grass are especially threatening. Creating public garden areas with native California plants is an excellent methodology of rehabilitation, and further's the public's awareness towards thinking about our relationship to the land and what we can do as a community. I support the habitat restoration in lower arroyo.
111	Erynn Patrick	90042	restore our native habitats! thank you!
112	Rochelle Kuan Hoffman	91780	
113	melissa	91001	
114	Kristen Edmond	90041	This restoration project supports a healthy ecosystem while offering incredible beauty for all to enjoy! As someone who has transformed my own landscape through the intentional planting of native species, I can attest to the incredibly positive impact of aligning the land with the local flora and fauna. I support this project through and through.

116	MaryAnn Gallo	90039	Restoring the natural habitat and allowing it to flourish is the right way forward. I look forward to seeing active trees, plants and wildflowers transform the Lower Arroyo.
117	Emilie Sabath	91104	Let's restore the land to its naturally state, one that is better suited to this climate and this place. Thank you.
118	Robert Lamont	90042	
119	Gaby Thomas	91001	PLEASE RESTORE WITH NATIVE PLANTS & TREES. ITS A NO BRAINER!!
120	Erin Barrow	91105	I support restoration of the Arroyo.
121	Bridget Samuels	91107	
122	Anno Hoeller	91411	
123	Leah Jung Jung	91801	
124	Anne Jones	90065	As a licensed landscape architect and former employee of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority I wholeheartedly support this project. Our native habitat areas are increasingly filled with non-native and invasive species that do not support native wildlife.
125	sophia dauria	91024	
126	Antonio Pierola	91803	
127	Dee Sharon	90041	
128	Sudi McCollum	91206	I support restoring the arroyo with native plants and trees. this will increase the native insects, birds and other animals.
129	William Ambrosino	90032	

130	David Sanchez	91105	
131	Rebecca Seman	90042	It is time for us to support the natural environment of our lower arroyo!!
132	Kelly Ehrenberg	91207	Our family strongly supports the proposed restoration project and urge the City of Pasadena to protect the natural character of the Lower Arroyo. Ehrenberg Family, Glendale CA
133	Kara Szabadi	91604	
134	Arnold Siegel	91103	We need to restore the Arroyo as much as possible. This is an oasis in the middle of the city. I have lived by the Arroyo for 45 years. It is a constant battle to protect it from development and improper uses. This is an important step in restoring the Arroyo to what it might be.
135	Nairi Megrabian	91020	
136	James H Broderick	91105	
137	Lupita Solano	91030	I am in support to protect the natural character of the Lower Arroyo and to replace the inappropriate, non-native trees.
139	Sarah Sherman	91001	Always be committed to choosing the right, harder thing.
140	Samantha King	91214	Native plants provide habitat for our native species and help them thrive.
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142	Kay Liberman	91105	
143	Eve	91001	