

# WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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## MEMORANDUM

Date: July 12, 2012

To: The Governing Board Members

From:  Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, ASLA (Hon), Executive Officer

Subject: **Agenda Item VIII: Consideration of resolution authorizing a comment letter to County of Los Angeles on Draft Significant Ecological Areas Ordinance.**

Attached is a draft comment letter for your consideration. These comments are not part of any California Environmental Quality Act official review period. Rather, they are part of the Los Angeles County proactive and collaborative effort to seek comments throughout the development of this ordinance. The entire Draft Significant Ecological Area Ordinance (June 2012) can be found online if you wish to review it. The County would like comments on this draft by August 1, 2012.  
<http://planning.lacounty.gov/sea/ordinance>

The Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority (WCCA) has been following closely the changes to the proposed General Plan, SEA boundaries, and SEA regulations. WCCA provided numerous comment letters over the years. WCCA prepared comments on these topics in letters dated February 10, 2012; July 20, 2011; December 17, 2008; September 27, 2007; July 7, 2004; December 20, 2002; May 2, 2001, and April 30, 2001. The February 10, 2012 letter is attached. The rest of the letters can be found online in the meeting materials for the July 20, 2011 WCCA meeting at:

<http://www.smmc.ca.gov/wcca.asp>

(Click on Archive of Agendas, click on attachments for 7/20/11 GOVERNING BOARD, and click on the attachments for Item X. "Comment Letter Final" is the 7/20/11 signed letter and earlier letters are found in attachments 7 through 13b.)

The staff-proposed comment letter for the July 12, 2012 meeting is current and stand-alone; it is not necessary for Board members to review all the previous comment letters. They just provide additional background information.