



Santa Susana Mountain Park Association

Dedicated to the Preservation of the Simi Hills and Santa Susana Mountains

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To:

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The Santa Susana Mountain Park Association (SSMPA) vigorously objects to the proposal to use the Sepulveda Basin Wildlife Area and adjacent parkland as a venue for an event that will attract tens of thousands of people.

A precarious Wildlife Area, recovering from years of past abuse, cannot host a congested and teeming gathering of any kind and then resume being a viable Wildlife Area. This is true for 2016, 2017, 2018...

Santa Susana Mountain Park Association has evaluated land use proposals for over forty years and we know impacts. The biological and environmental impacts of staging an event for 65,000 persons in and adjacent to a Wildlife Area *will be very significant*.

Sincerely,

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About Santa Susana Mountain Park Association:

Santa Susana Mountain Park Association is a 43 year-old non-profit organization based in Chatsworth, Los Angeles, California.

We represent approximately 700 members and concerned citizens, and we partner with many organizations to promote ecological and recreational quality in Southern California.

SSMPA's mission is to preserve and protect the Simi Hills, Santa Susana Mountains, and regional open space.

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