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City of Los Angeles Planning Commission
City of Los Angeles Board of Public Works
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Re: City Of Los Angeles Protected Tree Ordinance Updates

Planning Commissioners and Public Works Board Members:

The Echo Park Improvement Association (EPIA) supports the addition of the Toyon and Elderberry to the list of protected species for the City of Los Angeles.

As you are aware, the Toyon is the official shrub of the City of Los Angeles, and both trees are natives and are very important to our natural ecosystems.

Thank you for your consideration:

Andrew Garsten
EPIA President
Cc: City Councilmembers Mitch O' Farrell (CD13) & Gil Cedillo (CD1)