

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I have been a member, officer and committee chair of the Southwestern Herpetologists Society since 2012. I was immediately drawn in and amazed by the power of education outreach to the public, how it touches peoples lives, educates children and inspires them to love animals, their environment, learn science and strive for a better future. Most of the groups who perform community outreach like we do are non-profit, spending much of our own time and money without compensation, to make our world a better place. I cannot believe our LA City Council Members would do anything to inhibit this already difficult process, which requires hard work and personal sacrifice from citizens who care and want to share their love of wildlife and the environment. We survive on memberships and donations and cannot afford permits and fees to do this community service. Please ensure educational outreach is protected from any bans or costly permits. We love what we do and we love Los Angeles. Thank you.