

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, beginning in the Angeles National Forest, the Pacoima Wash and the Tujunga Wash are two of the largest tributaries to the Los Angeles River, and funnel a significant amount of the watershed's rainfall to the Los Angeles River; and

WHEREAS, both the Tujunga and Pacoima Washes flow through several low-income and disadvantaged communities that lack healthy outdoor park and green space; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, local non-profits and governmental agencies have developed significant plans to improve these waterways through public planning processes and grants from state departments; and

WHEREAS, a working group comprised of members from the communities along the Pacoima Wash and Tujunga Wash will make it easier for the community to coordinate access for resources, including financial support, to improve these rivers and the watershed in which they live; and

WHEREAS, AB 466 (Bocanegra) would direct the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency to establish the Los Angeles River Tributaries and Watershed Working Group for the purpose of developing a revitalization plan for the Pacoima Wash and the Tujunga Wash; and

WHEREAS, it is essential that these communities have an opportunity to participate in a planning process that creates new opportunities to improve the quality of life in their neighborhoods;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2017-2018 State Legislative Program SUPPORT of AB 466 (Bocanegra) to require the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency to establish the Los Angeles River Tributaries and Watershed Working Group to develop a revitalization plan for the Pacoima Wash and Tujunga Wash.

Presented by: 
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Seconded by: 

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