Intentional Discrimination Title VI Statute

Circumstantial evidence

Numerical impact is the starting point for analysis.

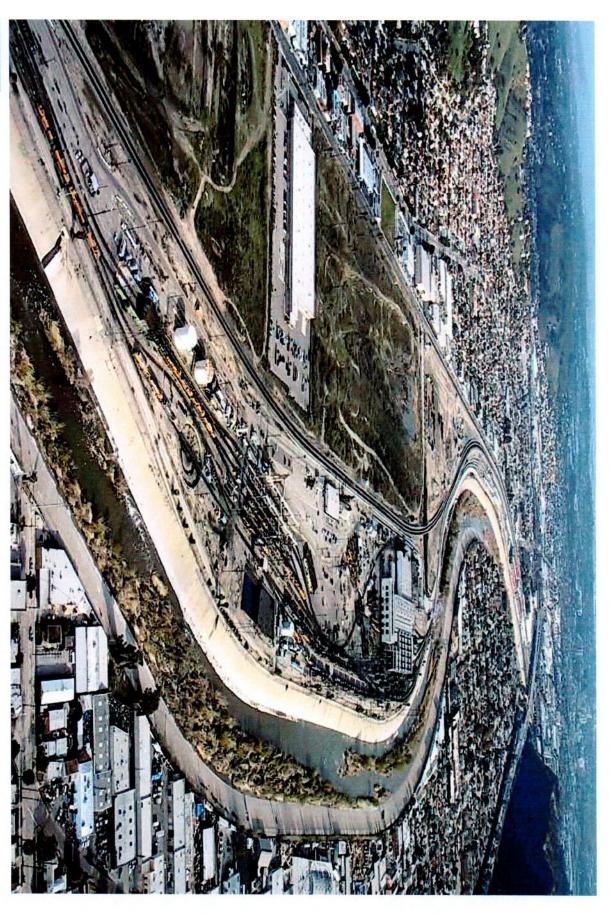
- 2. Is there a history of discrimination?
- 3. Are there departures from substantive values?
- 4. Are there departures from normal procedures?
- 5. Is there a pattern of discrimination?
- Do decision makers know the harm they will cause



















Facts and Trends: Culture and Attitudes

- Different populations relate to the outdoors in different ways.
- Many urban areas are underserved in terms of parks.
- A large number of children between the ages of 6 and 17 have little interest in being in nature.
 The Millennial generation, bem between 1980 and 2000, will play a major role in shaping the future. The use of technology continues to shape how people interact with each other and the outdoors.
- Although changing, the ethnic profile of California's legislature does not reflect the state's demographic profile.





year, and less than 3 acres of parkland per atino population greate than 36%, with incomes Many Central Valley communities have a

Current Use of Urban Parks Sports



The number of people using one acre of parkland today

playground per 10,000 residents. Los Angeles has one

participate in outdoor Of Americans aged six and up, less than half recreation.

interest as the top reason and 54% of 13 to 17 year 39% of 6 to 12 year olds olds cite a lack of

for not getting out into

nature.

an average of nearly 6.5 ages of 8 and 18 spend Children between the electronic media. hours per day with

the average person spent 327 more hours (13 1/2 Between 1987 and 2003 entertainment media. additional days) with

Today people of color are under-represented by general population. state elected officials, compared with the

born between 1946 & 1964

will have the greatest By 2017, Millennials nding power of any

generation.

born between 1965 & 1980

is larger than that of the Baby Boomers. The population of the Millennial generation

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GENX

MILLENNIALS 1980 & 2000

How do MILLENNIALS differ from previous generations?



What Do These Trends Mean For: Conservation? **CCLT Conservation Horizons | March 2014** Public Agencies?

presidential elections

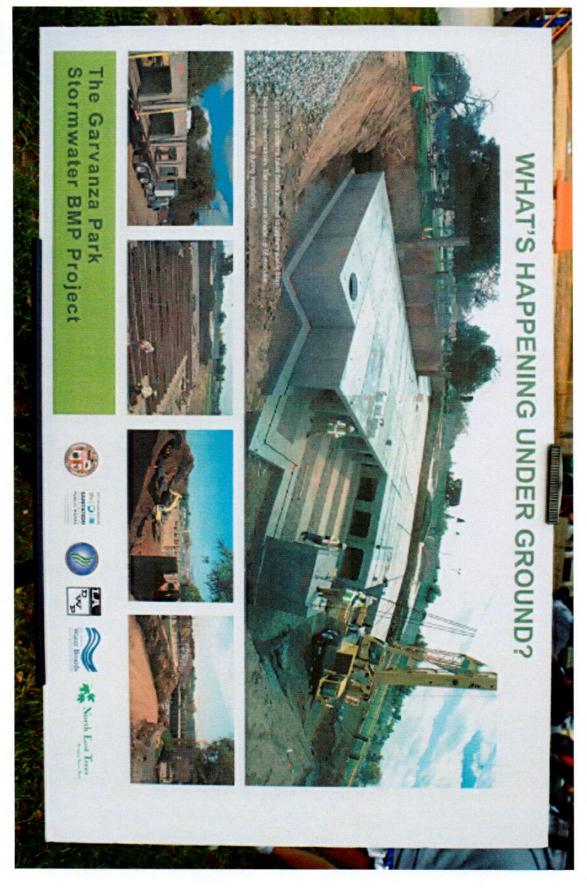
the next six

Millennials will decide





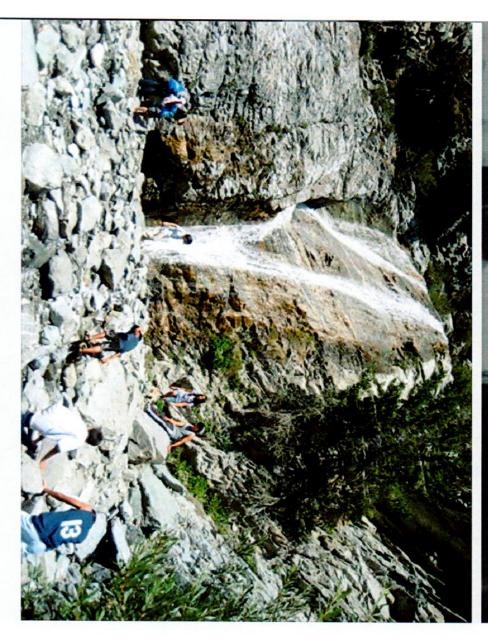






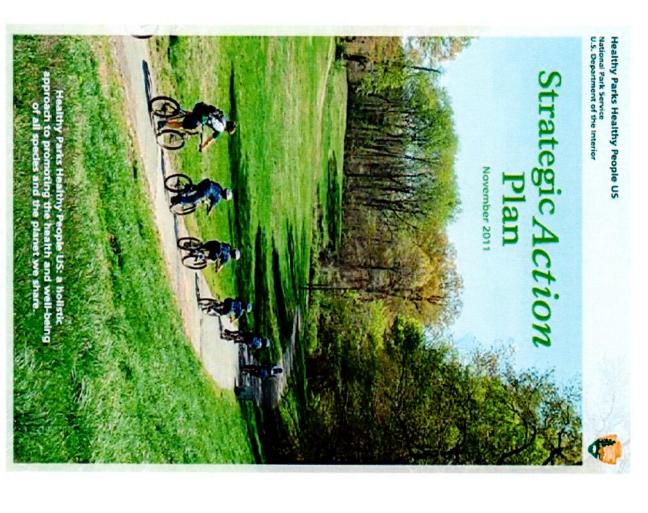


GREEN JUSTICE

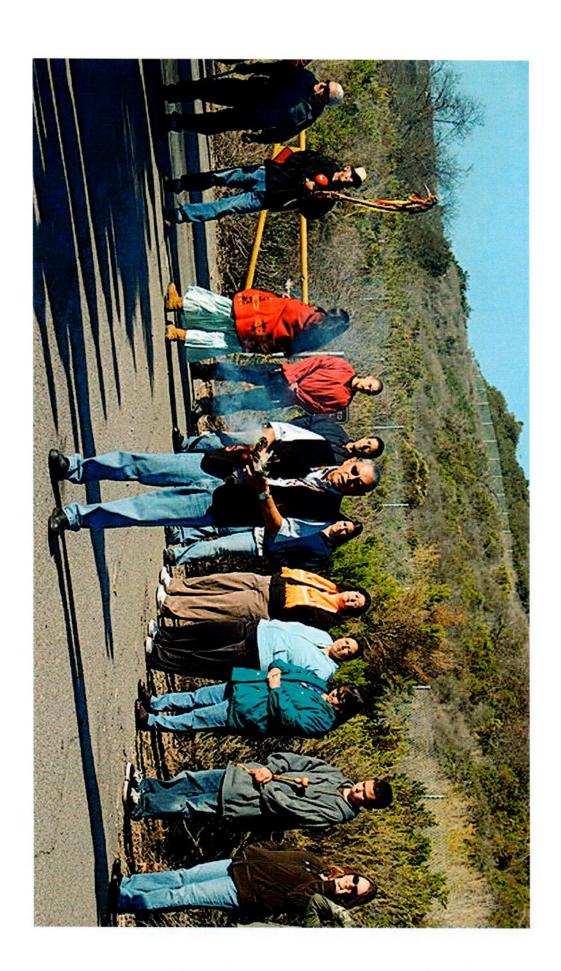


Bringing the San Gabriel Mountains Closer to the People By Robert Garcia | on February 9, 2012

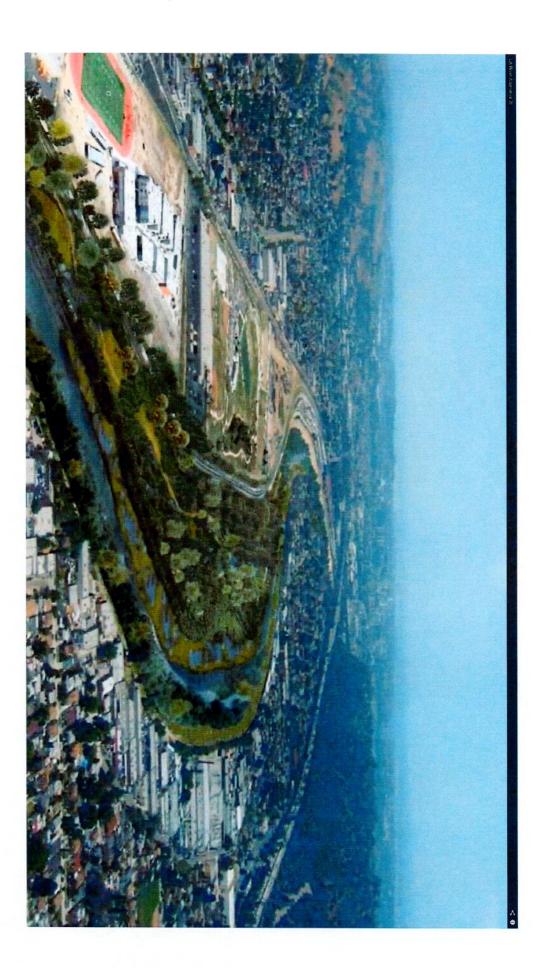












Schools of Hope

\$27 Billion School Bonds LAUSD

Build 130 new schools & modernize hundreds more

Joint use of schools, pools, and parks

Economic Vitality

business revenue Each \$50 million = 935 annual jobs, \$43 million wages, \$130 million local

Apprenticeships; careers; diverse contractors

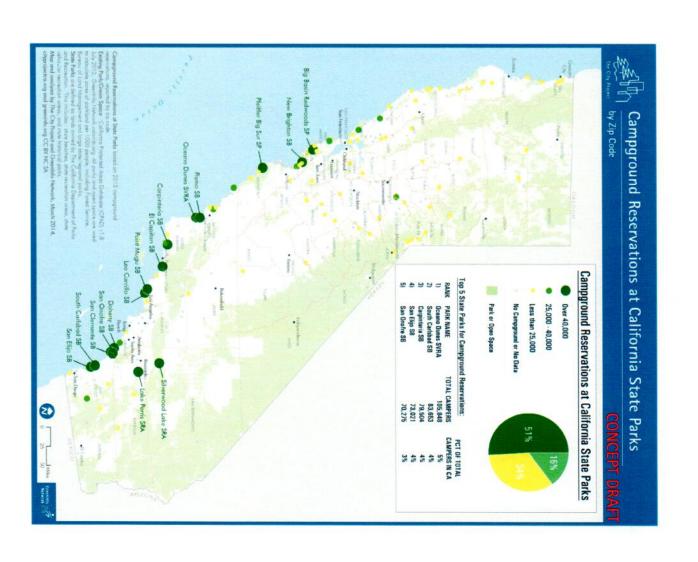
Avoid gentrification and displacement

Bond Oversight Committee Planning, Implementation, Ballots

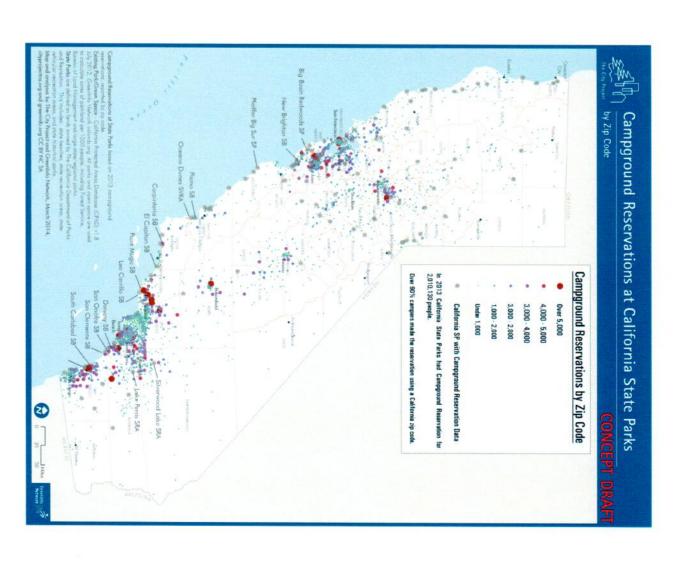
Physical Education Compliance Statewide











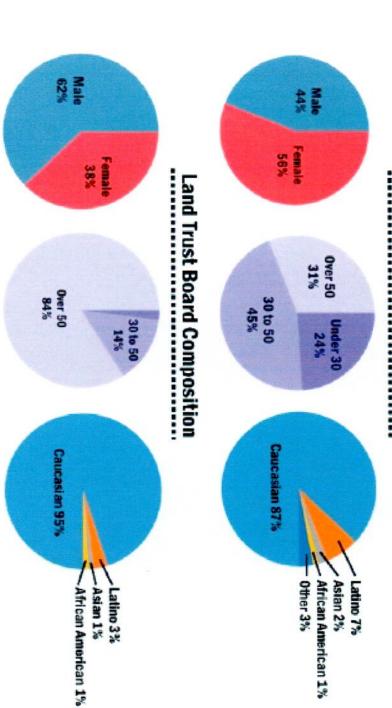
- Act now. Act in phases. Don't wait. Phase in projects from short to long term
- Take people to the parks now. Transit to Trails. Taking parks to the people takes longer.
- gentrification and displacement. 3. Economic vitality. Create local green jobs now. Apprenticeships. Diverse contractors. Avoid
- Rim of the Valley. of the planning and process for the L.A. River, San Gabriel NRA, Santa Monica NRA extension, and burdens fairly. Parks Forward and the Department of Parks and Recreation should be integral parts analyze alternatives, include diverse communities, implementation plan to distribute benefits and 4. Compliance and equity plan: what are you going to do, analyze impact on all communities,
- based organizations, attorneys, and advocates community should be provided by foundations, State Parks Department, and others to community 5. Funding for healthy green land use, equitable development, and planning by and for the
- 6. Prioritize based on need: communities that are park poor, income poor, and of color
- Physical activity, obesity and diabetes, improved academics, positive alternatives to gangs, crime Multibenefit projects promote full range of values: Human health, development, and fun.
- 8. Conservation values
- 9. Cultural values, history, public art, Native American, and spiritual values
- 10. Just transportation, complete green streets, safe routes to school, bike paths, joint use.



Land Trust leadership is predominantly

White and aging.

Land Trust Staff Composition







Green justice movement creating parks on the ground

Over 1,000 acres of multibenefit green space in L.A.

\$10 Billion in state wide park bond measures

Supported by voters of color & low income voters

benefits They passed the bonds, they need their fair share of the



change for parks, planning, and people **HUD** decision was a seminal act that has inspired real

rights compliance in the planning process At the policy level other federal agencies address civil

Army Corps of Engineers Los Angeles River Study EJ Order

NPS Healthy Parks, Healthy People US Strategic Action

NPS San Gabriel National Recreation Area EJ Order

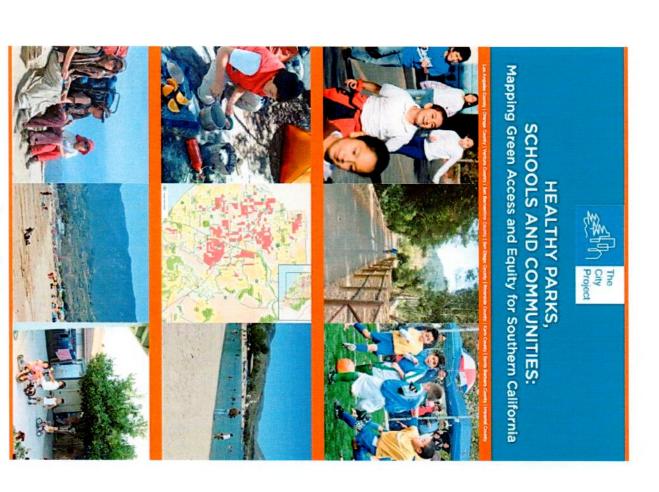
NPS Santa Monica Mountains NRA citing disparities

CA State Parks Forward

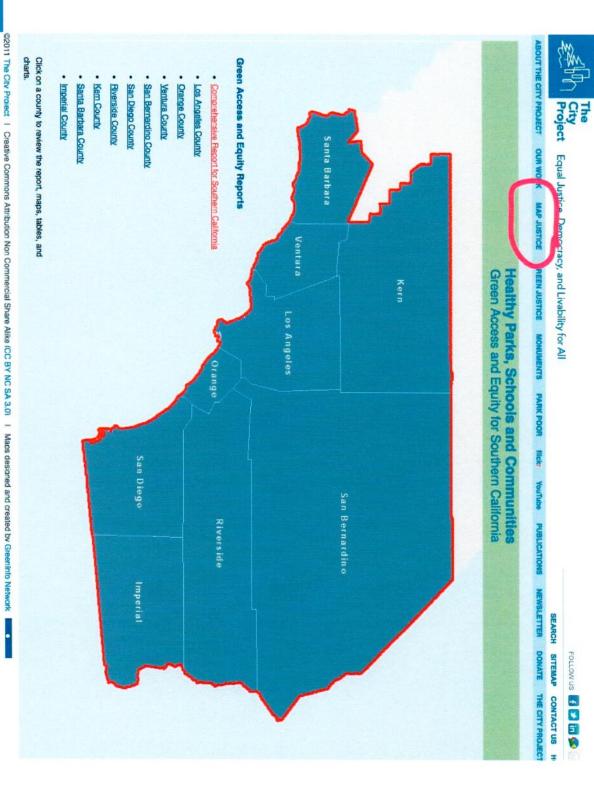
Green Jobs 21st Century Civilian Conservation Corps



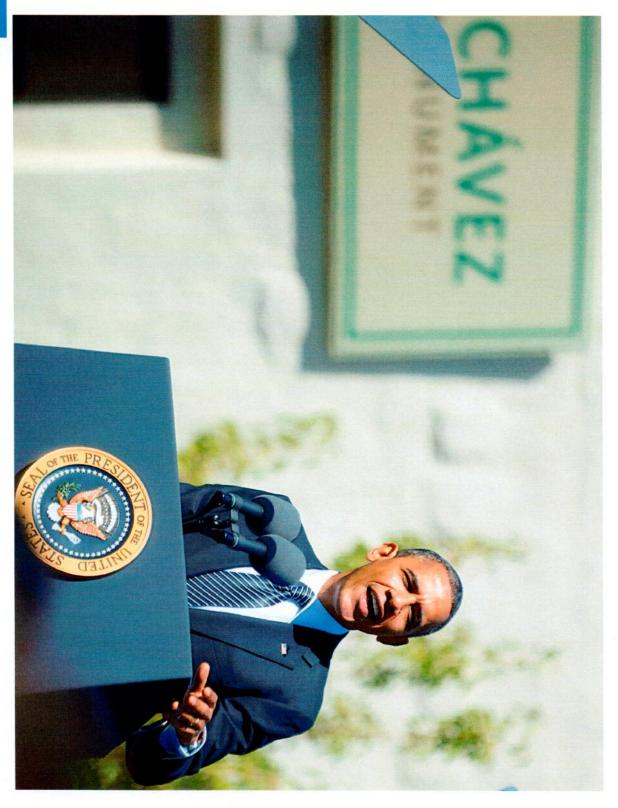




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Values at Stake

Human Health and Development

Jobs, Contracts, Economic Vitality

Change Renters to Buyers

Conservation Values

Culture, Heritage and Spirituality

Equal Justice, Democracy, Livability for All



President's Order on Environmental Justice and Health @ 20

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 @ 50

War on Poverty @ 50

Brown v Board of Education @ 60

It takes a movement

The Civil Rights Movement

The Environmental Justice Movement

The Green Justice Movement

California Parks Forward!



Civil Rights Laws

Apply to programs or activities by recipients of federal funding

civil rights laws Voluntary compliance is the preferred way of achieving the goals of the

Equal access to public resources

Prohibit intentional discrimination

Prohibit unjustified and unnecessary discriminatory impacts

education laws Combine with other laws - e.g., Affordable Care Act, environmental laws,



Civil Rights Laws

Race, color, national origin Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Regulations

Minority, low income President's Order 12898 on Environmental and Health Justice 1994

Affordable Care Act section 1557
Race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age
Applies to recipients *and* federal agencies
Wellness and prevention

Parallel State Laws - California 11135 and Regulations



Legal, Policy and Planning Framework

Voluntary compliance with civil rights and related laws

Creative problem solving

Data collection and analysis

Coalition building grass roots to tree tops

Multidisciplinary research and analysis

Planning and administrative process

Access to justice through the courts

Civic Engagement

Full and fair information, data collection, analysis

Full and fair community participation www.cityprojectca.org







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