From: Brina Carey [brinacarey@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, March 07, 2011 9:20 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Chaparral Clearing Dear Supervisors,

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Thank you for your hard work and time.

Sincerely,

Brina Carey

266 1/2 El Sueno Rd. Unit B

SB, CA 93110

From: Toni Lopez [catwoman4@cox.net]
Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 12:24 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Chaparral Clear Cuts

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Sincerely,

Brian and Toni Lope

From: Greg Helms [ghelms@oceanconservancy.org]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 12:20 PM

To: sbcob

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Sincerely,

Greg Helms 120 W. Mission St. Santa Barbara 93101



Greg Helms Manager, Pacific Program O: 805.687.2322 M: 805.886.8645

Santa Barbara, CA Office

E-mail: ghelms@oceanconservancy.org

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Lee-Rodriguez, Nicole

From: Deane Plaister [deane.plaister@maps.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 11:51 AM

To: sbcob

Subject: Brushing Ordinance

Dear Supervisors,

Chaparral is being cleared from the Santa Ynez Mountains at an alarming rate, posing erosion and flooding threats and eliminating habitat for numerous rare species, some found nowhere else on Earth. We have lost a great deal of chaparral to fire recently, and clear-cuts only impact what remains to an even greater degree. Please amend the Brushing Ordinance to make it enforceable <u>and</u> direct staff to bring back additional amendments to better protect our watersheds from chaparral clear-cuts.

Sincerely,

Deane Plaister 30 W. Valerio #7 Santa Barbara, CA 93101

From: Ginny Trautwein [ginnyt91@cox.net]
Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 12:34 PM

To: sbcob

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Virginia R. Trautwein 5771 Leeds Lane Goleta CA 93117

From: Jan Timbrook [jtimbrook@sbnature2.org]
Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 1:05 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Please protect chaparral

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From: conservation@cnpsci.org

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David Brown

Conservation Chair, California Native Plant Society Channel Islands Chapter

From: Jessie Altstatt [jessie.altstatt@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesdav. March 08. 2011 2:00 PM

To: sbcob

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Sincerely,

Jessica Altstatt 102 Orange Ave Goleta CA 93117

From: Nicholas P. Sullens [nsullens@umail.ucsb.edu]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 3:38 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Chaparral Brushing

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Sincerely,

Nick Sullens

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Nicholas P. Sullens nsullens@umail.ucsb.edu

From: Michael Lyons [mtlyonslaw@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 3:53 PM

To: sbcob

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Sincerely, Michael Lyons

Michael T. Lyons Attorney at Law 3324 State Street Santa Barbara, CA 93105 Ph (805) 570-0269 Fx (805) 456-0611 mtlyonslaw@gmail.com

From: Jennifer Oetken [nekteo7@hotmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 3:09 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: too much chaparral clear cutting

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Sincerely, Jennifer Oetken 241 San Napoli Dr. Goleta, CA 93117

From: Jenna Driscoll [jkdrisco@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 1:20 PM

To: sbcob

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Sincerely,

Jenna Driscoll

From: Kanani Brown [kbrown@coastal.ca.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 2:06 PM

To: sbcob

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Sincerely, Kanani Brown 1054 E Main St Ventura, CA 93001

From: Jenn Feinberg Eckerle [jennfeinberg@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 2:00 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Brushing Ordinance and Chaparral Protection

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Sincerely, Jenn Eckerle 312 E Sola Street, Apt 3 Santa Barbara, CA 93102

From: Steve Ferry [stephenjamesferry@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 9:33 AM

To: sbcob

Subject: Stop Clear-cutting Chaparral in the Santa Ynez Mountains

Dear Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors:

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Yours truly,

Steve Ferry Conservation Chair Santa Barbara Audubon Society

From: Ben Pitterle [bpitterle@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 10:44 AM

To: sbcob

Subject: Protect Chaparral Habitat Please

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Sincerely,

Ben Pitterle 5455 8th St. Unit 32 Carpinteria, CA 93013

From: Amy Musante [amymusante@me.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 5:04 AM

To: sbcob **Subject**: Chaparral

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Sincerely,

Amy Musante Goerke

From: John Abraham Powell [abe1@solforce.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 7:51 AM

To: sbcob

Subject: Brushing Ordinance

Dear Supervisors,

I am concerned that there seems to be some indiscriminate clearing of native plants and chaparral in the Santa Ynez mountains. Please consider modifying the Brushing Ordinance to enact enforceable protections for native plants and wildlife in the Santa Barbara County. I understand that there needs to be adequate clearing in the urban-wildland interface, but the chaparral in the mountainous wild-lands needs to be preserved in its natural state. Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Best regards,

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John Abraham Powell President Solforce Systems, Inc. 1230 Coast Village Circle Suite F Santa Barbara, CA 93108

Phone: (805) 695-0015 Fax: (805) 565-1661 Cell: (805) 895-2355 e-mail: abe@solforce.com

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Sincerely,

Nick Sullens

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Nicholas P. Sullens nsullens@umail.ucsb.edu

From: George [pellea10@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 4:22 PM

To: sbcob

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Sincerely,

George Thomson

Santa Barbara

From: Lisa Stratton [lisa.stratton@lifesci.ucsb.edu]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 4:29 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: RE: Stop Chaparral clearing now

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Please do what you can to preserve Santa Barbara's unique ecological resources.

Sincerely,

Lisa Stratton

Fax:

Lisa Stratton, Ph.D.
Cheadle Center for Biodiversity & Ecological Restoration (CCBER)
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UCSB, MC 9615
Santa Barbara, CA 93106
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(805) 893-4222

From: Richard Whited [quickpool@aol.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 4:16 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: RE: Chaparral Clear Cutting

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We need to protect our creeks.

Sincerely,

Richard Whited

5524 Somerset Dr.

Goleta, CA 93111-1640

From: Eric D. Zimmerman [zimmerman@es.ucsb.edu]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 4:39 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Stop Chaparral Clear-Cuts in Santa Barbara

Dear Supervisors,

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Sincerely,

Eric Zimmerman 1315 Bath St #5 Santa Barbara, CA 93101

From: Nick Patton [npatton24@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 10:14 AM

To: sbcob

Subject: Amending the Brushing Ordinance to Better Protect Chaparral

Dear Supervisors,

Chaparral is being cleared from the Santa Ynez Mountains at an alarming rate, posing erosion and flooding threats and eliminating habitat for numerous rare species, some found nowhere else on Earth. I frequently hike in the Santa Ynez Mountains and support preservation of this environmental wonderland.

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Sincerely,

Nicholas Patton 260 Vereda Del Ciervo Goleta, CA 93117

From: Rodney [rgouldsb@cox.net]

Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 7:27 AM

To: sbcob

Subject: Chaparral Clear-Cuts

Importance: High

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Thank you for protecting the environment I have grown to love as 33 year resident of Santa Barbara County.

Sincerely,

Rodney Gould

6877 Trigo Rd.

Goleta, CA 93117

From: hrumbarger [hrumbarger@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 6:55 AM

To: sbcob

Subject: Brushing Ordinance: Chaparral Habitats

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Sincerely, Henry Rumbarger 4415 Roundtree Lane Missouri City TX 77459

From: Bensen Vera [v2bensen@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 4:57 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Mountain Chaparral

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Sincerely, Vera Bensen

From: Hilary C [hilarocity@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 5:18 AM

To: sbcob **Subject**: Chaparral

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Sincerely, Hilary Clark 2959 Richard Ave Cayucos CA

From: Kayol [kayol@aol.com]

Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 3:11 AM

To: sbcob

Subject: Brushn Ordinance Dear Supervisors,

I have visited Santa Barbara a number of times and it is a beautiful County.

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Sincerely, Kay Peters

From: danlogtenberg@gmail.com on behalf of Daniel Logtenberg [dan@logtenberg.org]

Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 2:08 AM

To: sbcob

Subject: Chaparral Being Cleared...

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Sincerely,

Daniel Logtenberg 7220 Owensmouth Ave #109 Canoga Park, CA 91303 US & CAN: 518 291 9573

NZ: 03 525 9393 NZ Txt: 021 02525035

From: Gail Osherenko [gail.osherenko@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 10:05 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Chararral clearing

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Sincerely,

Gail Osherenko

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Gail Osherenko Project Scientist and Lecturer, UCSB Santa Barbara, CA 805 886 1182

From: The Koeds [koedklan@cox.net]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 9:53 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Our Chaparral

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Sincerely,

Janet Koed 344 Cooper Rd Santa Barbara, CA. 93109

From: Mark Holmgren [maholmgren@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 9:23 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Amendments to Brushing Ordinance

Dear Supervisors,

Chaparral supports so many species and performs so many services for our coastal communities. I regret the lack of careful assessment of each decision to remove Chaparral from the Santa Ynez Mountains. These decisions are often being made by individuals without proper regard to the downslope community and to the value of Chaparral. Removal is occurring at an alarming rate posing erosion and flooding threats while eliminating habitat for numerous species, some found only in Chaparral and others known only in our region from Chaparral. Please make a strong effort to bring informed, biological guidance to decisions on Chaparral removal.

Please amend the Brushing Ordinance to make it enforceable <u>and</u> direct staff to bring back additional amendments to better protect our watersheds from uncoordinated removal of chaparral clearcuts.

Thank you,

Mark Holmgren, Biologist

From: Tom Mulroy [mulroy@cox.net]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 9:01 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Chaparral clearing Dear Supervisors,

Chaparral is being cleared from the Santa Ynez Mountains at an alarming rate, posing erosion and flooding threats and eliminating habitat for numerous rare species, some found nowhere else on Earth. Clearing chaparral creates conditions ideal for invasive species such as yellow star thistle to invade and take over.

Please amend the Brushing Ordinance to make it enforceable <u>and</u> direct staff to bring back additional amendments to better protect our watersheds from chaparral clear-cuts.

Sincerely,

Thomas W. Mulroy 5257 Cambridge Lane Carpinteria, CA 93013

From: leeaulman@aol.com

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 8:44 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Foolish reduction of older growth chapparal communities, and habitat for a numerous rare rare and

unique plants ,insects,mammals,birds and other species these are complex environs that should be

conserved for the above reasons

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Sincerely,

Lee Aulman 1920 Alamo Pintado RD. Solvang, CA. 93436

Thank you for your Support!

Very Gratefully, Brian

Brian Trautwein,

Environmental Analyst Environmental Defense Center 906 Garden Street Santa Barbara, CA 93101 btraut@edcnet.org (805) 963-1622 X 108 (805) 962-3152 fax

From: Capacbet@aol.com

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 8:12 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Chaparrel clearing

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Sincerely,

Betty Songer

Carpinteria Creek Committee member and member of Carpinteria Valley Association

From: salmonfix4@aol.com

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 7:37 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: brushing ordinance

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Sincerely,

Stephnie Wald Watershed Projects Manager Central Coast Salmon Enhancement (805) 473-8221 office (805) 471-3789 cell 229 Stanley Ave. Arroyo Grande, CA 93420

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From: Jim Hodgson [jimhodgson@cox.net]
Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 7:31 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Chaparral clear-cuts

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Sincerely, James Hodgson Santa Barbara, CA 93105

From: Shawn Kelly [skelly@scwrp.org]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 7:27 PM

To: sbcob

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Sincerely,

Shawn Kelly

From: Geoffrey Wallace [gmw@zephyrwoodworks.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 7:28 PM

To: sbcob **Subject:** Chaparral

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Geoffrey Wallace 230 Magnolia Avenue Goleta, CA 93117

From: Geoff Stearns [gstearns@west.net]
Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 7:32 PM

To: sbcob

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Sincerely,

Geoffrey Stearns

From: lan Hogan [imhogan85@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 6:37 PM

To: sbcob

Cc: Brian Trautwein

Subject: Please stop chaparral clear cuts

Dear Supervisors,

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Sincerely,

lan Hogan 1331 Santa Barbara St Santa Barbara, CA 93101

From: Karen Kraus [karenkraus6@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 6:53 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Brushing Ordinance and chaparral

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Sincerely,

Karen Kraus Port Hueneme, CA

From: ronna christman [rchristman1@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 5:11 PM

To: sbcob

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Sincerely,
Ronna Christman

From: Katie Tannenbaum [ktannenbaum@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 5:05 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Brushing Ordinance

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Please amend the Brushing Ordinance to make it enforceable <u>and</u> direct staff to bring back additional amendments to better protect our watersheds from chaparral clear-cuts.

Sincerely, Kathryn Tannenbaum 1318 Anacapa St Santa Barbara, CA 93101

From: Shari Powell [smp30@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 11:56 AM

To: sbcob

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Sincerely, Shari Powell 23921 Via Navarra Mission Viejo, CA 92691

From: Natasha Lohmus [Nlohmus@dfg.ca.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 11:56 AM

To: sbcob

Dear Supervisors,

Chaparral is being cleared from the Santa Ynez Mountains at an alarming rate, posing erosion and flooding threats and eliminating habitat for numerous rare species. Sedimentation from such clearing can cover fish nests, frog egg clusters, and a variety of aquatic species. We have steelhead, red-legged frog, two stripped garter snake (an aquatic snake), California newt, southwestern pond turtle and ringtails. These are all listed species found in Santa Barbara. The brush clearing also eliminates cover for mammals, food sources for birds and mammals, and nesting sites.

Please amend the Brushing Ordinance to make it enforceable <u>and</u> direct staff to bring back additional amendments to better protect our watersheds from chaparral clear-cuts. Some brushing can be done, but has to include mitigation measures and be done with best management practices.

Sincerely,

Natasha Lohmus, Environmental Scientist

From: Mike Lunsford [lunsford4@cox.net]

Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 12:10 PM

To: sbcob

Cc: brian trautwein (brian trautwein) **Subject:** Mountainside Vegetation Clearing

Dear Supervisors,

Chaparral is being cleared from the Santa Ynez Mountains at an alarming rate, posing erosion and flooding threats and eliminating habitat for numerous rare species, some found nowhere else on Earth.

The various habitats of the Santa Ynez Mountains link the Gaviota Coast to the interior wildlands which extends up the Coast Ranges and across the Transverse Ranges. This is a necessary and beneficial connection for many species of wildlife which populate the Gaviota Coast. This feature is one of the unique characteristics which distinguishes the Gaviota Coast from other coastal wildlands in Southern California. It is essential to retain the strip of contiguous natural area along the Santa Ynez Mountains in order to preserve the natural resources which enrich this area. According to The Nature Conservancy and others, there are important ecological interactions between terrestrial and coastal-marine environments along our coastline, especially along our coastal streams. Improper, unapproved vegetation removal can have numerous adverse consequences, such as loss of habitat integrity, exposure to invasion by exotic species, and degradation of freshwater habitat by siltation.

Please amend the Brushing Ordinance to make it enforceable <u>and</u> direct staff to bring back additional amendments to better protect our watersheds from chaparral clear-cuts.

Sincerely,

Mike Lunsford 967-5828

From: Dave Harris [harrisd_one@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 11:20 AM

To: sbcob

Subject: Unnecessary Chaparral Clearing

Dear Supervisors,

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Please amend the Brushing Ordinance to make it enforceable <u>and</u> direct staff to bring back additional amendments to better protect our watersheds from chaparral clear-cuts.

Sincerely,

David Harris

1205 Bath st apt 2 Santa Barbara Ca, 93101

From: gregscott@cox.net

Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 12:40 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Please save our Chaparral

Dear Supervisors,

Chaparral is being cleared from the Santa Ynez Mountains at an alarming rate, posing erosion and flooding threats and eliminating habitat for numerous rare species, some found nowhere else on Earth. And the Chaparral is needed to clean the water we drink.

Please amend the Brushing Ordinance to make it enforceable and direct staff to bring back additional amendments to better protect our watersheds from chaparral clear-cuts.

Thank You, Greg Scott 93109

From: Vince Semonsen [vsemonsen@earthlink.net]

Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 3:31 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Chaparral clearing Dear Supervisors,

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Sincerely, Vince Semonsen 1810 Sunset Ave. Santa Barbara, CA 93101

From: Leslie Stirling [coastalfund.leslie@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, March 09, 2011 4:38 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Brushing Ordinance

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Please amend the Brushing Ordinance to make it enforceable <u>and</u> direct staff to bring back additional amendments to better protect our watersheds from chaparral clear-cuts.

Sincerely,

Leslie Stirling UCSB Undergraduate Student

From: Roxanne Lapidus [rlapidus@cox.net]
Sent: Thursday, March 10, 2011 8:47 AM

To: sbcob

Subject: Brushing Ordinance amendment

Dear Supervisors,

Chaparral is being cleared from the Santa Ynez Mountains at an alarming rate, posing erosion and flooding threats and eliminating habitat for numerous rare species, some found nowhere else on Earth.

Please amend the Brushing Ordinance to make it enforceable and direct staff to bring back additional amendments to better protect our watersheds from chaparral clear-cuts.

Sincerely, Roxanne Lapidus 1975 Cravens Lane Carpinteria, CA 93013

From: Laura Rasmussen [louisa33@cox.net]
Sent: Thursday, March 10, 2011 11:22 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Chaparral Clear-Cuts in Santa Barbara

Dear Supervisors,

Chaparral is being cleared from the Santa Ynez Mountains at an alarming rate, posing erosion and flooding threats and eliminating habitat for numerous rare species, some found nowhere else on Earth.

Please amend the Brushing Ordinance to make it enforceable <u>and</u> direct staff to bring back additional amendments to better protect our watersheds from chaparral clear-cuts.

Sincerely, Laura Rasmussen 556 La Marina Drive Santa Barbara, CA 93109

From: Ada Babine [adamb130@cox.net]
Sent: Friday, March 11, 2011 6:47 AM

To: sbcob

Subject: Brushing Ordinance Dear Supervisors,

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else on Earth.

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This is an issue of importance and is ignored at our peril. Protecting the coast and, consequently, the ocean, should be a top priority. Brush clearing is relevant.

Thank you for your public service.

Sincerely, Ada Babine 207 Cordova Drive Santa Barbara, CA 93109

From: Eva Inbar [eva_inbar@cox.net]

Sent: Friday, March 11, 2011 8:35 AM

To: sbcob

Subject: Chaparral ordinance

Dear Supervisors,

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Please amend the Brushing Ordinance to make it enforceable <u>and</u> direct staff to bring back additional amendments to better protect our watersheds from chaparral clear-cuts.

Sincerely,

Eva Inbar 240 Arboleda Road Santa Barbara

From: Megan Ward [mward@edcnet.org]
Sent: Friday, March 11, 2011 9:49 AM

To: sbcob

Subject: Chaparral Clearing Dear Supervisors,

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Sincerely,

Megan Ward, Santa Barbara resident 1321 Garden St #C, Santa Barbara, CA 93101

From: Kristi Birney [krisitbirney@gmail.com]

Sent: Friday, March 11, 2011 3:35 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Stop Chaparral Clear-Cuts in Santa Barbara

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Sincerely,

Kristi Birney

305 Ladera Street

Santa Barbara CA 93101

From: Romi Cumes [romicumes@gmail.com]

Sent: Friday, March 11, 2011 4:03 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Please Protect our watersheds from Chaparral Clear Cuts!

Dear Supervisors,

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Sincerely,

Romi Cumes

Santa Barbara Resident since 1981

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"Our problems can not be resolved, in the same state of consciousness in which we are creating them"

-Einstein

Willka T'ika Children's Fund: http://chakragardens.com/childrens-fund

From: Kristian Beadle [beadlek@gmail.com]

Sent: Friday, March 11, 2011 4:10 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: chaparral amendment

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Sincerely,

Kristian Beadle

133 E. De La Guerra St. #375

Santa Barbara CA 93101

From: Kristen LaBonte [kristenlabonte@yahoo.com]

Sent: Friday, March 11, 2011 4:25 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: chaparral clearing

Dear Supervisors,

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Please amend the Brushing Ordinance to make it enforceable and direct staff to bring back additional amendments to better protect our watersheds from chaparral clear-cuts.

Sincerely, Kristen LaBonte 1007 Chino St. Santa Barbara, CA 93101

From:

Keith Zandona [keithzandona@hotmail.com]

Sent:

Monday, March 14, 2011 11:29 PM

To:

sbcob

Subject: Brush clearing ordinance

Honorable Supervisors, I am writing in support of the brush clearing ordinance that you are reviewing today. I am a long time residence of mountain community of San Marcos Pass and have been appalled by the amount of brush clearing which has taken place in the past few years. The extensive clearing has effected the chaparral plant eco-systems of the mountain area. The unnatural brush clearing effects erosion, wildlife and eco-systems and will for many decades to come if not permanently. When plant communities are disrupted it creates an opportunity for non-native plants to move in, which can choke out natives from getting reestablished. The mountain top has seen numerous episodes of this type of unnatural clearing in the past 5 years, with clearing with Masticators, mowers, goats and by hand, and the cumulative effect has an extremely negative effect. Please enforce the brush clearing ordinances and protect our mountain plant communities. Thank you for your consideration of this issue. Keith Zandona, 5625 W. Camino Cielo, (805) 964-3232.

From: Sent:

Max Moritz [mmoritz@berkeley.edu] Sunday, March 13, 2011 2:08 PM

To:

sbcob

Subject:

science-based management of chaparral

Dear Supervisors,

As a scientist that has done research on the natural fire regime of chaparral for the last 15 years, I would like to support efforts to amend the Brushing Ordinance to make it enforceable, but also to direct staff to bring back additional amendments to protect local watersheds from chaparral "clear cuts" that do more harm than good over the long term.

Mechanically removing the native shrubs that cover our hillsides greatly increases both short- and long-term erosion, as well as the chances for permanent type conversion to invasive annual weeds, which can burn every year instead of on the order of multiple decades. Chaparral is important habitat, and its management must be based on current scientific thinking.

Sincerely,

Max Moritz

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Max A. Moritz, Ph.D.

Ecosystem Sciences Division,

Environmental Science, Policy, & Management Dept University of California Berkeley, CA 94720

http://nature.berkeley.edu/moritzlab/

Phone: 510-642-7329

!PLEASE NOTE: ON SABBATICAL THROUGH JULY 2011! http://nceas.ucsb.edu/sabbaticals#moritz

From:

Katherine A. Smith [kasmith@umail.ucsb.edu]

Sent:

Saturday, March 12, 2011 5:17 PM

To:

sbcob

Subject:

Brushing Ordinance

Dear Supervisors,

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Sincerely,

Katie Smith 6521 Del Playa Drive Goleta, CA 93117

Katherine A. Smith kasmith@umail.ucsb.edu

From: Mark Holmgren [maholmgren@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, March 14, 2011 1:09 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Chapter 9A Brushing Ordinance and Chapter 24A Admin Fines Ordinance

Dear Supervisors,

I live adjacent to Chaparral at the top of the Santa Ynez Mountains. While I feel the direct threat of fires and have been evacuated twice in two years, I also recognize that the value of Chaparral greatly exceeds its threats to our community. Given the recent clearing of large amounts of Chaparral in the Santa Ynez Mountains, and the lack of oversight with regard to decisions that affect the communities of Santa Barbara, Goleta, Painted Cave, and West Camino Cielo, I ask the Board to support the proposed amendments to the Brushing Ordinance and recognition of Chaparral as environmentally sensitive habitat with additional protections.

EDC's letter to you assembles the arguments accurately. The letter demonstrates the risks accompanying loss of Chaparral. We have available the methods that allow both protection of property adjacent to Chaparral and the majority of Chaparral habitat. We can only make the correct decisions to balance these concerns if the County assumes better control of a stronger Brushing Ordinance.

Thank you,

Mark Holmgren 5797 West Camino Cielo

From: Helen Larsen [helenlarsen79@hotmail.com]

Sent: Monday, March 14, 2011 2:25 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Re: Support of the amendments to the Brushing Ordinance Chapter 9A and the Administrative

Fines Ordinance Chapter 24A

I am living in a chaparral community here on W. Camino Cielo for the past 41 years and hope I am fairly well-educated by now on the human effects on the chaparral.

I therefore ask-you to review the letter Brian Trautwein of the EDC sent in regards to his studies and analyses and then vote to support the amendments.

Thank you.
Helen Larsen
5797 W. Camino Cielo
Santa Barbara, CA. 93105
(805) 964-1891

From: Lisa Witherspoon [ms.spoon@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, March 14, 2011 12:19 AM

To: sbcob

Subject: Dear Supervisors

Dear Supervisors,

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Sincerely,

Lisa Witherspoon Arias

563 San Ysidro Rd

Santa Barbara, Ca. 93108

From: Geoffrey Slaff [gfslaff@gmail.com]

Sent: Sunday, March 13, 2011 1:08 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Santa Ynez Mountains

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Sincerely, Geoffrey Slaff gfslaff@gmail.com Cell 805-796-3100

From:

nicola Gordon [niquoo@gmail.com]

Sent:

Sunday, March 13, 2011 9:18 AM

To:

sbcob

Subject: brush clearing

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posing erosion and flooding threats and eliminating habitat for numerous rare species,
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Sincerely,

Nicola Gordon

From:

Angela R. Ebiner [aebiner@umail.ucsb.edu]

Sent:

Saturday, March 12, 2011 11:45 AM

To:

sbcob

Subject:

Amend Brushing Ordinance

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Sincerely,

Angela Ebiner

6751 Sabado Tarde Rd. Goleta, CA 93117

Angela R. Ebiner aebiner@umail.ucsb.edu

From: Patty Haddad [pattyhaddad@hotmail.com]

Sent: Friday, March 11, 2011 5:34 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Brushing Ordinance

Dear Supervisors,

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Sincerely, Patricia L. Haddad 702 Miramonte Drive Santa Barbara, CA 93109

From: Dave & Nona [wellspringhealingarts@yahoo.com]

Sent: Friday, March 11, 2011 5:32 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Please protect fragile chaparral habitats

Dear Supervisors,

Chaparral is being cleared from the Santa Ynez Mountains at an alarming rate, posing erosion and flooding threats and eliminating habitat for numerous rare species, some found nowhere else on Earth. Please amend the Brushing Ordinance to make it enforceable <u>and</u> direct staff to bring back additional amendments to better protect our watersheds from chaparral clear-cuts.

Sincerely, Nona Perram

From:

M. Checa [m_a_checa@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Friday, March 11, 2011 7:21 PM

To:

sbcob

Subject: Brushing Ordinance - Protection of our Chaparral biomes

Dear Supervisors,

Chaparral is being cleared from the Santa Ynez Mountains at an alarming rate. This is posing erosion and flooding threats. It is also eliminating habitat for numerous rare species---some found nowhere else on Earth!

This is uncivilized. It is also unemphatic toward our ecosystem and fellow living creatures---toward whom we ought to behave as the "smart" fellow creatures who have the larger brain cortex necessary to develop awareness and steward their and our life support system.

Please (1) amend the Brushing Ordinance to make it enforceable <u>and</u> (2) direct staff to bring back additional amendments to better protect our watersheds from chaparral clear-cuts.

Sincerely,

Miguel Checa 805-566-0909

1085 Cramer Road

Carpinteria CA 93013-1817

From:

Lisa Citore [magdalenewomen@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Friday, March 11, 2011 8:56 PM

To:

sbcob

Subject: chaparral protection

Dear Supervisors,

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Sincerely,

Lisa Citore

1117 Olive Street

Santa Barbara, CA 93101

From: Tom Phillips [wavejunkie@verizon.net]

Sent: Friday, March 11, 2011 9:01 PM

To: sbcob

Subject: Brushing Ordinance

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Sincerely,

Tom Phillips 442 Ribera Drive Santa Barbara, CA. 93111

From: Julie Kummel [jkummel@rain.org]

Sent: Friday, March 11, 2011 8:30 PM

To: sbcob

Cc: 'Brian Trautwein'

Subject: Chapparal Clear Cutting

Dear Supervisors,

Chaparral is being cleared from the Santa Ynez Mountains at an alarming rate, posing erosion and flooding threats and eliminating habitat for numerous rare species, some found nowhere else on Earth. Much of this clearing activity is taking place far from any structures, and is not related to required residential fire clearance.

Please amend the Brushing Ordinance to make it enforceable <u>and</u> direct staff to bring back additional amendments to better protect our watersheds from chaparral clear-cuts.

As a result of these activities, we mountain residents are seeing a huge influx of non-native invasive species such as yellow star thistle, Italian thistle, and annual grasses along our roads, on our properties, and on cleared hillsides. These invasive annuals, which tend to create substantial monocultures in disturbed soil, dry out in summer contributing to fire danger along our roadsides and on our hillsides. This type of clearing does not reduce fire danger.

Sincerely,

Julie Kummel 5100 E Camino Cielo Santa Barbara, CA 93105

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Brennan, Kaitlin

From:

Dan Fontaine [danf@wyp.org]

Sent:

Thursday, March 10, 2011 10:43 AM

To:

sbcob

Subject: Chaparral

Dear Supervisors,

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Sincerely,

Dan Fontaine

Dan Fontaine Executive Director Wilderness Youth Project 5386 Hollister Av. Suite D Santa Barbara, CA 93111 805-964-8096