

# OurCounty 2023 Annual Report Draft for Public Comment

## Los Angeles County Chief Sustainability Office (CSO)

Response to Public Comment

Source	Name or Organization	Report Section	Comment Summary	Response
Comment letter	Patricia McAll	Land Acknowledgement, Action 78	Recommends the County DNA test people living on Native American land to more accurately acknowledge and provide reparations to Black Native Americans.	Comment noted
Comment letter	Martin Blythe	General, Goal 5	Engage residents by incorporating the report in LAUSD classes and increase outreach on ecosystems work through public and builder-specific educational campaigns. Also ban artificial turf and expand action on leaf blowers.	Comment noted
Comment letter	Tarcis Verfaillie, LA County Department of Health Services	Action 92	Action 92 should include updates on how the County is encouraging its workforce to go EV and should do things like reducing rates at County facilities, providing more chargers, and having employee EV ambassadors.	Comment noted and shared with relevant department
Comment letter	Teri Malkin	General	Rowland Heights is not receiving it fair share of County fund and has lost funding for parks projects, road repairs, and more.	Comment noted and shared with Supervisorial District Office
Comment letter	Leah Nanni	Goal 1	Recommend adding actions specific to Van Nuys Airport that address noise pollution, limitations on private aircrafts and helicopter tours, independent environmental and air quality studies, and moratorium on land use changes until EIA is made public.	Comment noted and shared with Supervisorial District Office
Comment letter	Sandra Parker	Goal 3, Goal 5	Recommend focusing on homelessness actions first before creating more open space since it only exacerbates the issue.	Comment noted
Office Hours	Mike Bergey, Distributed Wind Energy Association	Goal 7	Recommend adding streamlining of small wind systems to OurCounty Actions	Comment noted and shared with revelant department
Office Hours	Kathy Kunysz	Action 29, Goal 6, Action 42	Recommend including cool paint as part of Action 29's heat island mitigation strategy. Recommend adding an action in Goal 6 that includes O&M for existing parks since accessibility can be limited by the lack of maintenance. Action 42 should be expanded to include storm flooding risks and adaptation strategies due to climate change.	Comment noted

Office Hours	Dorothy Wong and Sarah Wolf, Altadena Town Council Safe Streets - Mobility & Traffic Safety Committee	Action 28A, Action 28B, Strategy 3B, Strategy 3C, Action 58, Strategy 8A, Action 105, Action 150	Recommend a more comprehensive and thoughtful application of mobility options, infrastructure, and traffic safety elements that supports local needs and the OurCounty objectives. Support for community capacity building is needed to improvement public input and engagement on policy issues and encourage local grant applications.	Comment noted and shared with Supervisorial District Office
Comment letter	Alba Velasquez, The Los Angeles Food Policy Council	Action 127, 130, 132	Supports prioritizing Actions 127, 130, and 132 with specific recommendations pulled from their recently released "Fresh Ideas for CalFresh Report" and "Rooted Horizons Report" on urban agriculture. Also encourage the County to leverage its buying power to support the local food economy through the Good Food Purchasing Program.	Comment noted and shared with relevant departments
Office Hours	Joanna Chen - West LA Democratic Club's Environmental and Clean Energy Committee	General	Inquired about how she can help support the plan's goals, particularly those around clean energy.	Comment noted