

March 28, 2018

SENATOR Bob Herzberg  
ASSEMBLYMEMBER Adrin Nazarian.

RE: Tree and shrubs being remove by Cal Trans

Dear Senator Herzberg and Assembly Member Nazarian.

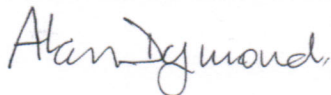
Members of the Studio City Residents Association are voicing concerns on what appears to be Cal Trans approach in dealing with those who illegally occupy state lands e.g. the freeway buffers.

It appears that Cal Trans has adopted a policy that involves removing trees and shrubs at these locations thereby denying these sheltering spots to people without homes, aka "the homeless."

Although it is recognized that these homeless activities are one of trespass and there may be significant safety and liability issues, these trees and shrubs have helped provide a sound barrier to freeway noise for decades and they may absorb sound better than concrete block walls that often just bounce the sound in other directions.

There must be something this state agency can do in the interim to join local efforts in starting to find solutions to the problem yet maintain sound barriers for those who are directly affected by the freeway noise.

Thank you  
Studio City Residents Association



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