



## **SANTA SUSANA MOUNTAIN PARK ASSOCIATION**

*Dedicated to the Preservation of the Santa Susana Mountains and Simi Hills*

A Non-Profit 501(c)(4) Organization

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September 9, 2013

Mr. Allen Elliott AS01  
NASA – Marshall Space Flight Center  
MSFC, Huntsville, AL 35812

**Subject: Public Support to Maintain NASA / SSFL Land as Open Space and Parkland**

Dear Mr. Elliott:

This is the fifth packet of supporting letters and petitions that we have mailed to your attention. It is our objective to show you that the constituents living in the area impacted by the former Santa Susana Field Laboratory are very concerned about the final disposition of the NASA land that is in the “disposal process” administered by the General Services Administration. To date, more than 384,000 San Fernando Valley residents are represented by the eight (8) Neighborhood Councils that have already endorsed our position, and other community organizations have also added their voice to this drive. In addition, over 850 individual signatures have been gathered in support.

***Each of these organizations and individual signers agrees that the National Park Service would be the best steward for this land. The NPS has the experience and the expertise to ensure that this land will remain open space and parkland for the public benefit in perpetuity. They all urge the transfer of administration of this property to the National Park Service upon completion of the cleanup.***

***We will continue to keep you apprised of our progress in gathering support for this eventual transfer of the NASA property.***

Sincerely

Teena Takata  
President - SSMPA

cc: Senator Dianne Feinstein; Senator Barbara Boxer; Congresswoman Julia Brownley; Congressman Brad Sherman; Congressman Tony Cardenas; Congressman Adam Schiff; Congressman Henry Waxman; Senator Fran Pavley; Assemblymember Scott Wilk; Assemblyman Jeff Gorell; Councilman Bob Blumenfield; Supervisor Zev Yaroslovsky; Supervisor Michael Antonovich; Councilman Mitchell Englander; Superintendent David Szymanski; W. James Biederman, Esq.; Allen Elliott-NASA; Kamara N. Sams; Supervisor Peter C. Foy; Supervisor Linda Parks

**Santa Susana Mountain Park Association, P.O. Box 4831, Chatsworth, CA 91313**

Mr. David Szymanski  
Superintendent, Santa Monica Mountains  
National Recreation Area  
401 West Hillcrest Drive  
Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

June 17, 2013

**BE IT KNOWN THAT on June 17, 2013, the Reseda Neighborhood Council voted to approve the following letter of support:**

The **Reseda Neighborhood Council** requests that the **National Park Service (NPS)** step forward to be the eventual administrator of the Santa Susana Field Laboratory in the Simi Hills.

The General Services Agency (GSA) is tasked with disposing of excess federal property. Approximately 450 acres of the 2,700-acre Santa Susana Field Laboratory site is owned by the federal government and administered by NASA; NASA has declared that property to be no longer needed and GSA is disposing of it through a federal government process of transfer to other federal agencies, or sale to private parties. Under this process, the transfer/sale will occur in the near future and will include a binding obligation for NASA to clean up the parcel to appropriate standards prior to handover of the administration of the property.

We believe that the NPS is the only entity that has the expertise and experience to preserve this land in perpetuity. We envision this site as particularly well suited to house a public museum honoring the nation's rocketry and space achievements. It is, as well, a critical habitat linkage between the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area and the Los Padres National Forest. The NASA site also includes a significant Native American pictograph area, on the National Registry of Historic Places, and has an extensive Archaeological District with many artifacts and sites that show it was heavily used by Native Americans.

The National Park Service must step forward now, if this key property is to be preserved for future public use.

We, the **Reseda Neighborhood Council**, ask for your help in preserving forever this parcel that contributes in so many ways to public goals. This parcel will assist with the key linkage between the Santa Monica Mountains and other open space, and may become part of the Rim of the Valley Trail. This site, above all others, provides an opportunity to maintain significant, unique cultural and historic riches as resources that we - and our grandchildren - will be able to visit and marvel at in perpetuity.

Thank you for your support,

Kevin Taylor  
Chair, Reseda Neighborhood Council

The RESEDA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL is an elected body of 14 members within the City of Los Angeles representing approximately 74,000 residents ( 22,800 households ) in the City of Reseda, California.

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June 18, 2013

**BE IT KNOWN THAT on June 18, 2013, Corral 54 of Equestrian Trails Inc. voted to approve the following letter of support:**

The Corral 54 of Equestrian Trails Inc. fully supports the transfer of authority of the 450 acres of property in the former Santa Susana Field Laboratory that have been administered by NASA to the National Park Service ( NPS ); this transfer to take place upon completion of the cleanup program supervised by the California Department of Toxic Substances Control.

We believe that the NPS is the only entity that has the expertise to preserve this site in perpetuity. We envision this site as particularly well suited to house a public museum honoring the nations rocketry achievements, as well as it is a critical habitat linkage between the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area and the Los Padres National Forest. The NASA site also includes a significant Native American pictograph area, on the National Registry of Historic Places, and has an extensive archaeological district with many artifacts and areas that show it was heavily used by Native Americans.

We are asking for your help in preserving forever this parcel that contributes in so many ways to public goals. This parcel will assist with the key linkage between the Santa Monica Mountains and other open space, and may become part of the Rim of the Valley Trail. This site, above all others, provides an opportunity to maintain significant, unique cultural and historic riches as resources that we - and our grandchildren - will be able to visit and marvel at in perpetuity.

The transfer of authority over this property must be solidified now, even though the property will not be actually transferred to the NPS authority until the mandated cleanup is completed. The General Services Administration's land disposal process is reaching a critical stage; delay could mean the loss of this land to private development.

Thank you for your support,

Mary Kaufman  
President

Corral 54, Chatsworth Rocky Hill Riders, of Equestrian Trails, Inc. is dedicated to Equine Legislation , Good Horsemanship and the Acquisition of Trails, Open Space and Public Lands .

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## PETITION

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Date Signed	Printed Name	Signature	City	E-mail Address (OPTIONAL)
3-19-13	MARY HEDGEM	<i>Mary Hedgem</i>	Chatsworth	
3-21-13	David Hedgem	DAVID Hedgem	Chatsworth	
3-27-13	Addison Honey	<i>Addison Honey</i>	Chatsworth	
3-27-13	JASm	<i>JASm</i>	Chatsworth	

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2/23/13	TIM FISHER	<i>[Signature]</i>	GRAND CITY	
2/25/13	Linda S. Ross	<i>Linda S. Ross</i>	Chatsworth	
2/25/13	Diane G. Ryder	<i>Diane G. Ryder</i>	Northridge	
2/25/13	Helen Davis	<i>Helen M. Davis</i>	Chatsworth	
2/25/13	ANN VINCENT	<i>Ann Vincent</i>	Chatsworth	
2/25/13	Barbara Pampaloe	<i>Barbara Pampaloe</i>	Chatsworth	
2/27/13	Nancy Hard	<i>Nancy Hard</i>	Chatsworth	
2/27/13	Bonnie Lawrence	<i>Bonnie Lawrence</i>	Chatsworth	
2/28/13	DIANE STEWART	<i>Diane Stewart</i>	Chatsworth	
2/28/13	Dawn Redmond	<i>Dawn Redmond</i>	Chatsworth	

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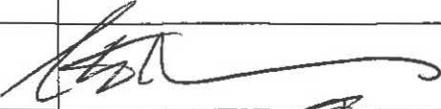
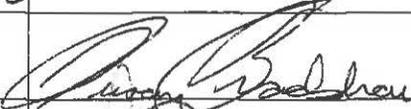
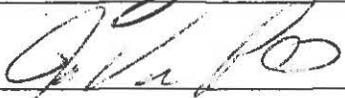
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4/9/13	Steve Bradshaw		WEST HILLS	sebrad@earthlink.net
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4/14/13	John Albin		UPTON CA	JTALBIN@AOL.COM
4/14/13	Dennis Tragesser		Chatsworth CA	tragesser@sbcglobal.net
4/14/13	JAY VAN PELT		CHATSORTH	JAY@VANPELTPHOTO.COM
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4/16/13	Mary Ann Hart		CHATSORTH	maryannhart2@gmail.com

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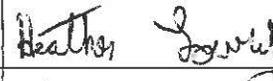
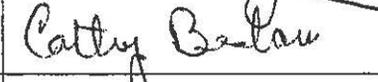
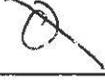
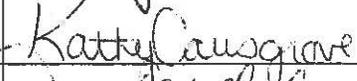
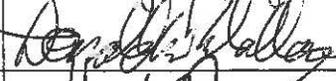
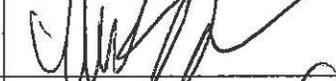
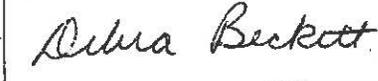
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4-7-13	Cathy Bedau		Simi	
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4/7/13	Dolly Schwartz	<i>Dolly Schwartz</i>	"	"
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4/7/13	Susan Cottle	<i>Susan Cottle</i>	Chatsworth	zara.cottle@yahoo.com
4/7/13	ALAN POLLACK	<i>A Pollack</i>	Woodland Hills	
4/7/13	Maddy Cottle	<i>Maddy Cottle</i>	Chatsworth	MaddyBarbee@gmail.com
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