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Christopher Calfee, Senior Counsel  
Governor's Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

October 12, 2015

Re: CEQA Reform

Dear Mr. Calfee:

The Federation of Hillside and Canyon Associations, Inc., founded in 1952, represents 45 resident and homeowner associations spanning the Santa Monica Mountains. The Federation's mission is to protect the property and quality of life of its over 200,000 constituents and to conserve the natural habitat and appearance of the hillside and mountain areas in which they live.

We have reviewed the detailed comments prepared by Chatten-Brown & Carstens LLP addressed to you on behalf of the Planning and Conservation League dated October 12, 2015. We whole-heartedly agree with these comments and strongly encourage you to heed the suggestions and proposals that are made there.

We rely upon the California Environmental Quality Act to protect the environment and the role of the public in public decisions. We ask that you ensure the changes to the Guidelines will promote both of these functions of CEQA by following the suggestions set forth in the Planning and Conservation League letter.

Thank you for your consideration of our concerns.

Sincerely,

*Marian Dodge*  
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Beachwood Canyon Neighborhood  
Bel-Air Association  
Bel Air Knolls Property Owners  
Bel Air Skycrest Property Owners  
Benedict Canyon Association  
Brentwood Hills Homeowners  
Brentwood Residents Coalition  
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Hollywood Heights Assn.  
Hollywoodland Homeowners  
Holmby Hills Homeowners Assn.  
Kagel Canyon Civic Assn.  
Lake Hollywood HOA  
Laurel Canyon Assn.  
Lookout Mountain Alliance  
Los Feliz Improvement Assn.  
Mt. Olympus Property Owners  
Mt. Washington Homeowners All.  
Nichols Canyon Assn.  
N. Beverly Dr./Franklin Canyon  
Oak Forest Canyon Assn.  
Oaks Homeowners Assn.  
Outpost Estates Homeowners  
Rancho Verdugo Estates  
Residents of Beverly Glen  
Roscomare Valley Assn.  
Save Coldwater Canyon!  
Save Sunset Blvd.  
Shadow Hills Property Owners  
Sherman Oaks HO Assn.  
Silver Lake Heritage Trust  
Studio City Residents Assn.  
Sunset Hills Homeowners Assn.  
Tarzana Property Owners Assn.  
Torreyson Flynn Assn.  
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Upper Nichols Canyon NA  
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