



## Santa Susana Mountain Park Association

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

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Dear Members of the Santa Clarita, California City Council:

Mr. Bob Kellar; Ms. Laurene Weste; Mr. TimBen Boydsten; Mr. Frank Ferry; Ms. Marsha McLean

The Santa Susana Mountain Park Association (SSMPA) congratulates the City of Santa Clarita on your acquisition of over 300 acres of Gateway Ranch land (formerly the proposed Las Lomas development) for your Open Space District.

We appreciate your accomplishments in preserving another sliver of crucial habitat linkage between the San Gabriel Mountains and the Santa Susana Mountains.

This linkage is important to us, as we work to preserve robust habitat corridors in the Santa Susana Mountains- / Simi Hills to the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area to the south and Los Padres Forest to the north.

Congratulations on your success! Acquisition of critical linkages such as this for open space helps all of us who are working to conserve some of our heritage of natural resources.

Sincerely,

Teena Takata  
President, Santa Susana Mountain Park Association

### About **Santa Susana Mountain Park Association**:

Santa Susana Mountain Park Association is a 43 year-old non-profit organization based in Chatsworth, Los Angeles, California.

We represent approximately 700 members and concerned citizens, and we partner with many organizations to promote ecological and recreational quality in Southern California.

**SSMPA's mission** is to preserve and protect the Simi Hills, Santa Susana Mountains, and surrounding open space.

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