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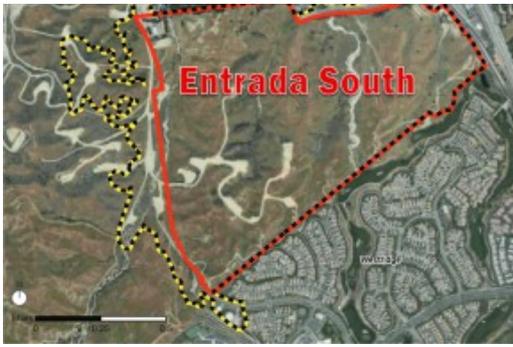
SCOPE Board Votes to Endorse Senator Pavley's New Climate Action Bill

You are invited to hear Dusty Russell, Environmental Staff person to Senator Fran Pavley discuss this bill and other environmental efforts in process from her office,
at SCOPE's May 20th Meeting, 7PM
Round Table Pizza Meeting Room
23524 Lyons Ave. (across from OLPH), Newhall 91321

SB32, introduced by Senator Fran Pavley, Chair woman of the CA Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Water, seeks to ensure that California will remain a leader in global actions to reduce greenhouse gases and slow global warming through 2030. This bill will require a further 20% reduction in CO2 as well as other air pollutants such as the methane gas that is emitted in the SCV by the Chiquita Canyon Landfill, now requesting a huge expansion. To read the bill as currently proposed, click [here](#).



Newhall Proposes Yet another 1574 Housing Units in the Middle of a Drought! Hearing On the Draft Impact Report



Tuesday June 4th, 6 PM Your Presence is Needed

Rancho Pico Jr. High School
26250 W. Valencia Blvd.
Westridge, 91381

A few weeks ago the [Los Angeles Times ran a story](#) about NASA reports indicating that California may have as little as one year of water left. Now Newhall Land is proposing yet another unsustainable project built on an old oil field (you can see the remaining oil well pads in the picture). Would you want to invest in or live in a house built over an old oil field? What are the health and safety implications? Newhall has already received approval for their Landmark and Mission tracts- app. 6000 units total (Mission will be built in an old oil field also), both of which are currently being reviewed by the California Supreme Court. But that hasn't stopped this company, now owned by an out of state corporation (Lennar) and hedge funds. They have already put out new Notices of Preparation for Homestead (app. 3400 housing units and Entrada North 1250 housing units. Not to mention the 3150 units for North Lake, also beginning their process. Where will the water come from? How will existing residents deal with all the additional traffic and water cutbacks needed to accommodate these new houses? Other communities are not subjected to such massive uncontrolled growth. What is happening in Santa Clarita?

We must change these kinds of land use approvals to something more sustainable.. If you have concerns, this is the time to voice them. Please attend this hearing. For more information on this proposal, info on where to write letters and to download the Environmental Impact Report by section, click [here](#).

Copperhill Oaks Saved for Now

At its May 5th hearing, the County Regional Planning hearing officer ruled that the developers of Tesoro del Valle had not met their burden of proof to allow them to remove oaks to install a monument sign for their development. Several SCOPE members that lived near this project and a letter from SCOPE objecting to the removals, urged a redesign that would avoid the oaks. So we were very happy to hear that the County officer did just that.

SCOPE in the News -

["SCOPE Joins with Local Residents to Demand Review"](#)

["Activists to Demand Hearing on Landfill Expansion"](#)

["Suit Challenges Purchase of Water Company to benefit Newhall Ranch"](#)

["Serious Action Needed on the Climate"](#)

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