



NATURAL RESOURCES  
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## ***TITLE V: RIM OF THE VALLEY CORRIDOR PRESERVATION ACT (SCHIFF – H.R. 1708)***

*Supports Park Access, the Outdoor Recreation Economy, Cultural and Natural Resource Protection, and Important Wildlife Habitat*

### **Summary of the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act**

Title V would expand the existing Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area (SMMNRA), adding the 191,000-acre Rim of the Valley Corridor to protect important natural and cultural resources and expand public land access in one of America's most park-poor cities. The title builds off a National Park Service (NPS) study, which recommended adding the Rim of the Valley Corridor to protect exceptional geologic, archeological, cultural, and biodiversity resources. Representative Schiff has worked with local communities for more than a decade to determine the appropriate boundaries and uses of this expanded designation, and the title receives broad local support from the counties and cities near the expanded unit.

### **Title V would:**

- Designate approximately 191,000 acres as the Rim of the Valley Corridor within the SMMNRA.
- Preserve access to existing green spaces near one of America's most park-poor cities.
- Protect outstanding geologic, paleontological, archeological and recreational resources.
- Protect high biodiversity habitat areas and important wildlife habitat.
- Respond to the interests of local community leaders and organizations.

### **List of Supporters and Endorsing Organizations**

*Local Governments and Elected Officials (20) including:* Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, Ventura County Board of Supervisors, City of Los Angeles, City of Burbank, City of Glendale, City of La Canada Flintridge, City of Calabasas, City of West Hollywood, City of Pasadena, City of Santa Clarita, and the City of Thousand Oaks.

*Conservation and Outdoor Recreation Organizations (50) including:* Los Padres ForestWatch; National Park Conservation Association; Los Angeles Audubon Society; Community Hiking Club; Natural Resources Defense Council; Sierra Club – Los Padres Chapter; Asian and Pacific Islanders in Historic Preservation; Pacoima Beautiful; Citizens for Los Angeles Wildlife; Arroyo Seco Foundation; Mountains Chapter; Friends of Griffith Park; Simi Valley Conservancy; Los Angeles Conservation Corps; Los Angeles Neighborhood Land Trust; LA WYLD; Los Angeles Wilderness Training; Chatsworth Nature Preserve Coalition; Community Nature Connection; The City Project; Santa Susana Mountain Park Association; The Nature Conservancy; Audubon Center at Debs Park; San Fernando Valley Audubon Society; CA League of Conservation Voters; California Native Plant Society; Latino Outdoors; and Trust for Public Land.

*Businesses and Local Outfitters (10) including:* Chinese American Citizens Alliance; Los Angeles Kayak Club; Asian Pacific Policy and Planning Council; The Oaks Homeowners Association; Chinese Historical Society of Southern California; API Forward Movement; LA River Expeditions; Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council; and the Los Feliz Improvement Association.

### **Links**

- [Fact Sheet](#): Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act
- [Interactive Map](#) of Proposed Boundary Expansion
- [Press Release](#): Schiff, Feinstein, Harris Introduce Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act
- [National Park Service Special Resource Study](#): Rim of the Valley Corridor
- [FAQs](#): Rim of the Valley Coalition