



California Biodiversity Council

Resolution of Support

California Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights

WHEREAS the member agencies of the California Biodiversity Council support efforts to provide opportunities and programs so that children may experience the excitement and wonder of the outdoors and be inspired to appreciate and sustain our natural and cultural treasures; and

WHEREAS the member agencies of the California Biodiversity Council recognize that these experiences are essential to the health and well being of all children; and

WHEREAS the California Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights is an initiative that states that all children between the ages of four and fourteen should have the opportunity to participate in outdoor recreational activities and discover their connection to California's story. These activities include discovering California's past, splashing in the water, playing in a safe place, camping under the stars, exploring nature, learning to swim, playing on a team, following a trail, catching a fish, and celebrating their heritage; and

WHEREAS the member agencies of the California Biodiversity Council provide opportunities for children to experience the outdoors and/or provide stewardship of these magnificent outdoor environments; and

THEREFORE, the California Biodiversity Council member agencies resolve to support the goals of the Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights as possible within each agency's mission

THIS RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED by the member agencies of the California Biodiversity Council on October 9, 2008 in Oakland California at its meeting on "Connecting Children to Nature."

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