
KIWANIS CLUB LA CAÑADA LA CRESCENTA-AM

April 2, 2025



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Fiscal Year Oct 1-Sep 30

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Wednesdays at 7:30 am
LCIF Parish Hall or Zoom
1700 Foothill Boulevard
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Arroyos & Foothills Conservancy Tim Martinez



NEXT MONTH AT A GLANCE...

ZOOM or IN-PERSON

Pledge/Flag Salutes:

- 04/09/25 – Brian Hummel
- 04/16/25 – N/A Scholarship Dinner
- 04/23/25 – Insook Park
- 04/30/25 – Joyce Ruygrok

Inspiration:

- 04/09/25 – Dick Barley
- 04/16/25 – N/A Scholarship Dinner
- 04/23/25 – Chris Ecker
- 04/30/25 – Marie Hyland

Song Leader:

- 04/09/25 – Christie Crahan
- 04/16/25 – Brian Hummel
- 04/23/25 – Christie Crahan
- 04/30/25 – Brian Hummel



ZOOM PROBLEMS: If you get booted out **JUST go to**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81544355138?pwd=eDBvZmhMcng5NGV6dXBGQVN0NGhMz09>
and log back on.

Calendar of Events:

Club Board Meeting-7:30 am, 1st Monday of the month (except on holidays then 2nd Monday) at small room near Parish Hall

Division 3 (DCM) Board Meeting-5:30 pm, 3rd Monday of the month at the Elks Lodge, 120 E Colorado St, Glendale

KEY CLUB/BUILDERS CLUB MEETINGS (During School Year)

St. Bede Builders Club-12:15pm, 2nd Wednesday, at Parish Center with Glory Williams.

Rosemont Builders Club-12:30 pm, 1st Wednesday in Multi-purpose Rm with Jessica Cole.

St. Francis HS Key Club-11:45 am, 2nd or 3rd Wednesday, Rm #104 with Patrick Davitt and DARK during the holiday season and summer months.

Franklin Key HS Club-12:22 pm, every Tuesday, Rm #530, with Davy Mouremann and DARK during the holiday season and summer months.

Crescenta Valley HS Key Club-12:17 pm, every Tuesday, Rm #7205 or North Gym with Saul Sheridan and DARK during the holiday season and summer months.

Clark Magnet HS Key Club-11:50 am on odd-dated Wednesday, Rm #5215 with Ms. Violet Mardirosian and DARK during the holiday season and summer months.

Village Christian HS Key Club-12:30pm, twice a month on Thursday, Rm #B-2 with Ms. Lilit Vartanian and DARK during the holiday season and summer months.

Programs/Speakers:

04/09/25 – Ahead with Horses-Judy Beem, Board President

04/16/25 – Scholarship Awards Dinner at 6pm at LCIF Parish Hall (no morning meeting)

04/23/25 –

04/30/25 –

05/05/25 – Board Meeting (Cinco de Mayo) at 7:30 am at church conference room

Hospitality: Cindy Bradford & Barbie Eland

Newsletter: Zoom Operators: **Chris Ecker & Brian Hummel**, Editor: **Martha Burns**, Photos: **Martha Burns**, Web: **Cindy Bradford**

THIS PAST WEEK...

Members in Attendance: 9 members in person and 4 members on Zoom & 1 guest in person.

Guests: Our speaker, **Tim Martinez**

Welcome Back: **Carol Scheck & Tom Petersmeyer**

Birthdays: None

Anniversaries: None

Ribbon Cuttings: None

NEXT MEETING at Church Fellowship Hall & zoomed on April 9 at 7:30am. Zoom meeting ID is 81544355138 and passcode is 505812
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81544355138?pwd=eDBvZmhMcng5NGV6dXBGQVN0NGhMz09>



NEWSLETTER EDITORS/PHOTOGRAPHERS NEEDED Editors will no longer need to write about the program unless they wish to do so. Just include the info on HAMS & announcements. You will send the info to either Martha Burns or substitute editor Cindy Bradford to finish it up & convert to PDF and then they will load on to our website.

Kiwanis Officers and Directors: If you have a program/speaker, please give name/date to **Martha Burns or Cindy Bradford** as they will be the schedulers. Check out our website's calendar to schedule/view future programs. www.lcfkiwanisam.org Remember speakers can join us on Zoom, so anyone far or near might be good candidates.

President's Announcements: Christie Crahan

- Needs shoppers at Smart & Final for the monthly Bailey Center donation. Very easy as Cindy provides the list and you will get reimbursed when you bring the goods to the meeting. Please let Cindy know if you are willing to shop.
- Thanks to Cindy Bradford for organizing the wonderful "Guide Dogs of America" tour. We presented them with a \$500 donation and they were thrilled.
- She also reminded us to **sign up to help at our scholarship dinner** which will be Wed. April 16 at 5:30 pm for members. Also there will be a \$5 charge for dinner for members & their guests. Recipients and their parents are free. Guests arrive at 6pm. It is earlier this year, because in June the students are out of school and it is hard to get them all here once school is finished. We are hoping some will ride in our truck for the Fiesta Days Parade. We will need helpers for set up & take down.
- We need lots of help on our Fiesta Days French Toast Breakfast Sat. morning. Barbie, the Johnsons, and Insook will not be there, so we need volunteers.
- Reminder when you leave the weekly meeting, put chairs under the table, any trash in the waste can, turn in your name tag and make sure lights & both thermostats are off.
- Bailey Food Center, Saturday Night Bingo Fundraiser, Sat. April 12 at 6pm, \$25pp. All games pay \$100 or more and food will be served. 818-248-5630 for reservations. At American Legion/VFW, 3011 La Crescenta Ave.

Next week our program is: Ahead with Horses

Kiwanis Announcements:

- **Brian Hummel** is being presented the Les Tupper Community Service Individual Award next Monday April 7 at 7pm at Flintridge Prep Auditorium. Come & enjoy the celebration.

- **Brian Hummel** also mentioned the St. Bedes Builders Club Prayer Luncheon will be May 14 at noon. We will be having pizza.
- **Christie Crahan & Cindy Bradford** reported on the scholarship applications. They had 24-a record! We couldn't give to all but here is what was decided by the committee of Elaine, Cindy & Christie. One "trade school" scholarship will be presented by Susan & Chuck Johnson for \$1,000. Two \$500 scholarships for Hillside School, one \$1,000 scholarship for a student from Journey House and ten \$1,000 scholarships for our "Community Service" scholarships at CVHS, Clark Magnet & Village Christian. Hope many of our members can attend and welcome and reward these exceptional students. Reminder no morning meeting that day.



H.A.M.S.:

- **Martha Burns** gave a happy \$5 as her twin sis loved going to our "outing" last week and meeting so many of our members there. She was very busy playing tour guide and showing her around LA.
- **Joy Gibson** gave his usual fun joke for \$1.
- **Chris Ecker** gave \$5 as he survived his backpack trip to Los Padres Forest. A great trip and he hiked about 12 miles. The hot springs here were incredible and it was about 100 degrees outside.
- **Christie Crahan** gave \$10 as she drove all by herself to Morrow Bay to visit her son, who now owns a house and he even has beautiful artwork on his walls. However driving home in the rain was slower for her. She hosted a board pot-luck meeting at her home last Monday evening which was lots of fun. **Rose and Lynne** both attended and earned one more ribbon off of their "turkey" badge.

Other Announcements: Please let **Martha or Cindy** know if there are any changes in your personal info we have on file-like phone#, email or address change etc.

Upcoming InterClubs: Always check our newsletter calendar and the calendar on the website lckiwanisam.org to see what is going on.

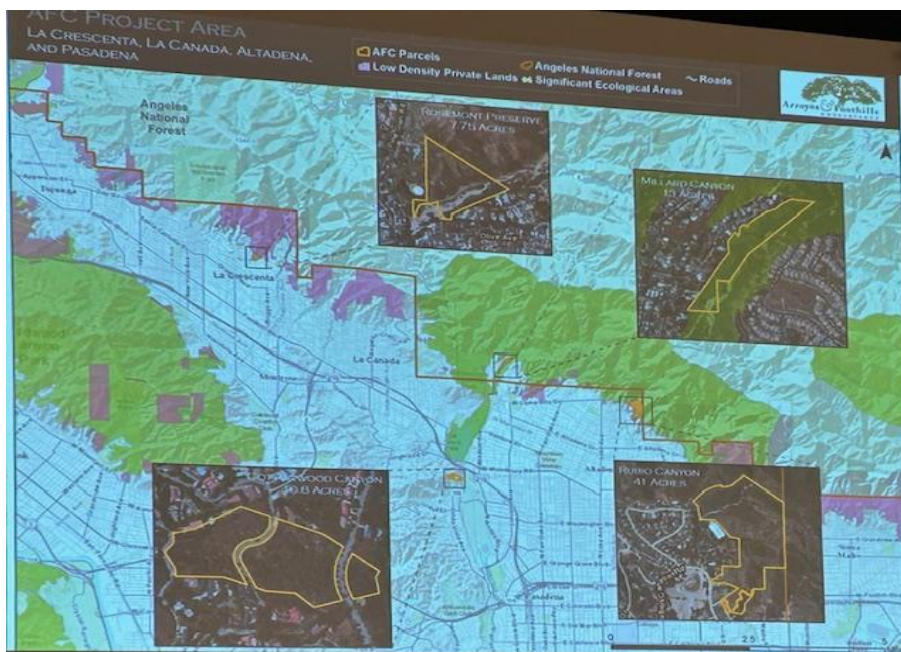
Health News: Contact **Insook Park** if you know of someone who needs a card or cheering up. **Joyce Ruygrok** is recovering from A fib & doing well and will attend our scholarship dinner. **Carol Scheck** will also attend. It will be great to see them both in person.



Program/Speaker: Arroyos & Foothills Conservancy-Tim Martinez

Tim, a very articulate young man, is the manager of the Conservancy, which was founded 25 years ago to save natural open space for wildlife-animal & plants (bio-diversity of life) and provide free environmental education programs. It covers about 100 acres of protected land. Endangered species, plants & habitats are in peril. There are really only two areas in the world where people and the big cats can co-exist and that is LA and Mumbai. They do many studies to see where these animals travel in the wild and they partner with Occidental College on some projects. They are also growing milkweed so the monarch butterflies don't become extinct. They talk to schools about the native plants & history. They provide summer internships for HS & college programs. Rubio Canyon was affected by the Eaton Fire and they lost a lot, but things will eventually grow again. They had a wonderful Environmental Education Center there too.

The San Gabriel Mountains are a vast natural landscape that is healthy and fully functioning. The San Rafael Hills, Verdugo Mountains and Griffith Park are islands of native habitat that need to be reconnected with the San Gabriels if they are to sustain healthy and diverse natural populations of wildlife and native plants. AFC is working to connect these islands with corridors that will invite wildlife to pass freely from one area to another and allow these special urban habitats to adapt to climate change. We are also preserving lands in our



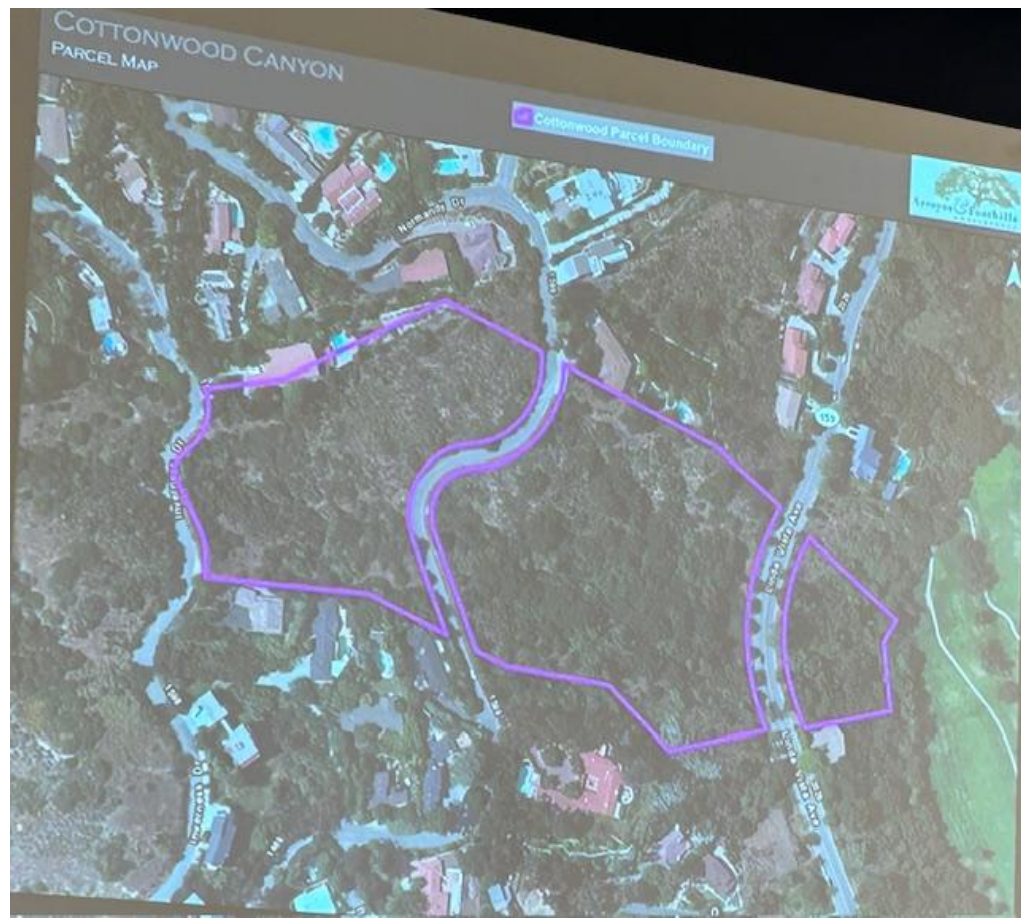
foothills with the highest intrinsic ecological value. These key habitat areas are being strategically protected through land acquisition, conservation easements, land use planning and implementation, and education.

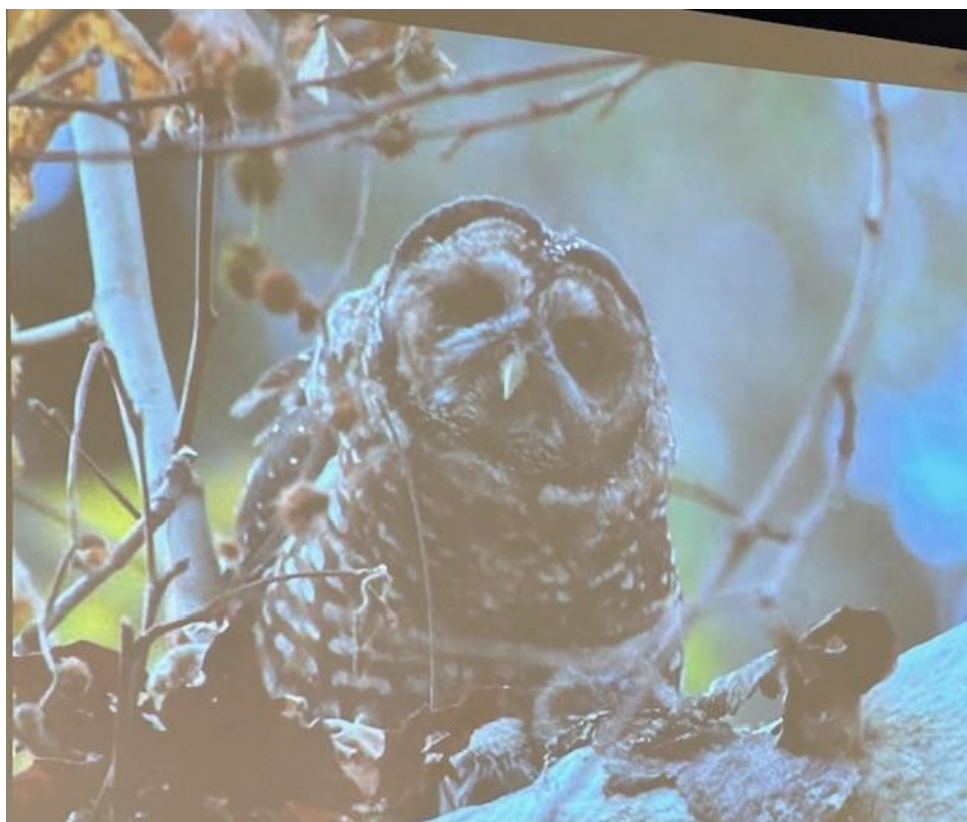
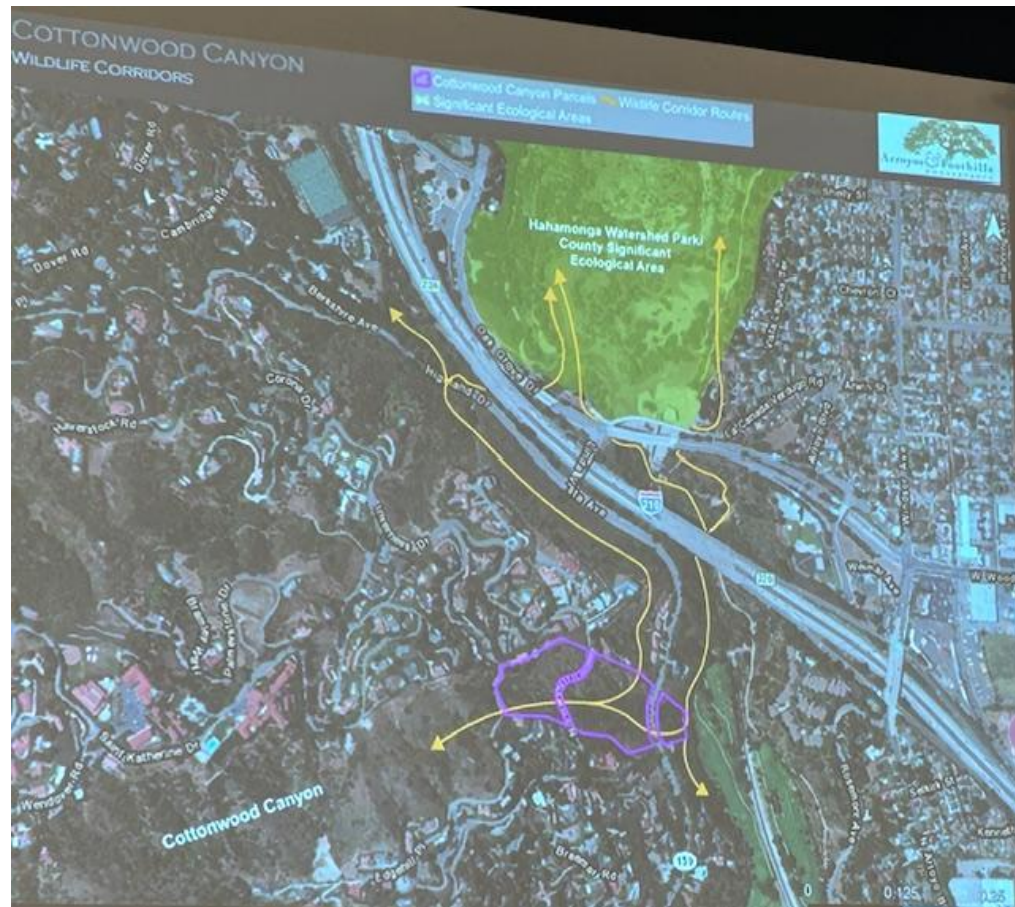
Thank you Tim for sharing so much knowledge with us today, that we weren't even aware of. We need you to return to share more.



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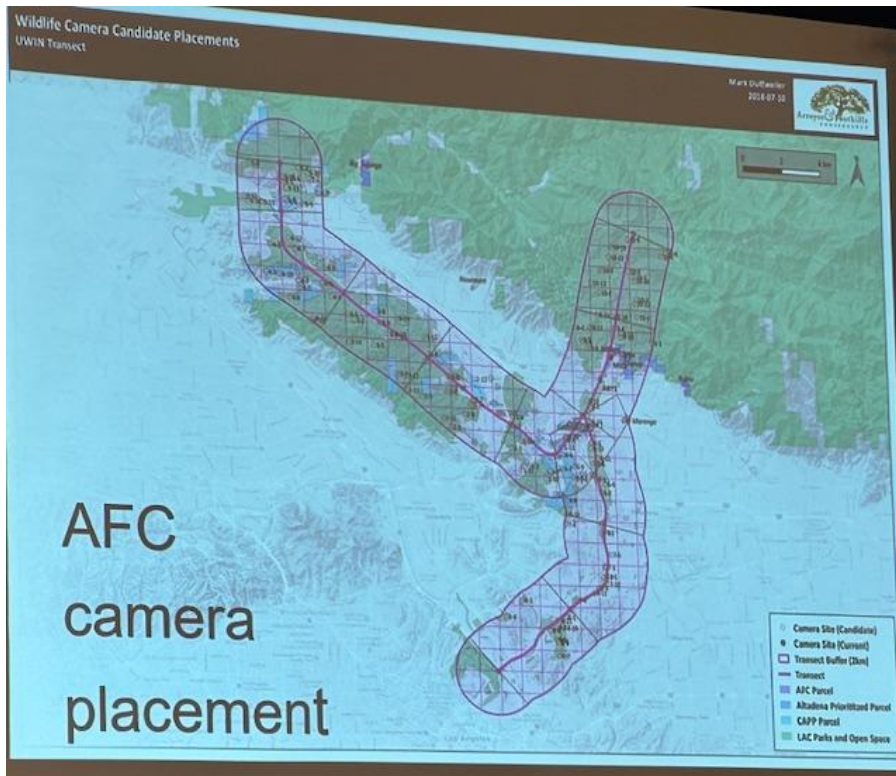
An event in 2016 highlighted the urgent need to establish this corridor. On June 8th, 2016, a bear was seen lounging in the pool of a La Canada home(1). Local news outlets jumped on the story, helicopters went up and CDFW was contacted and tried to chase the bear back into the hills. On June 10th, the bear was located in the 2900 block of Saint Gregory Road in Glendale(3). (On June 15th, and again June 17th, the bear was spotted in the Whiting Woods section of Glendale(4).

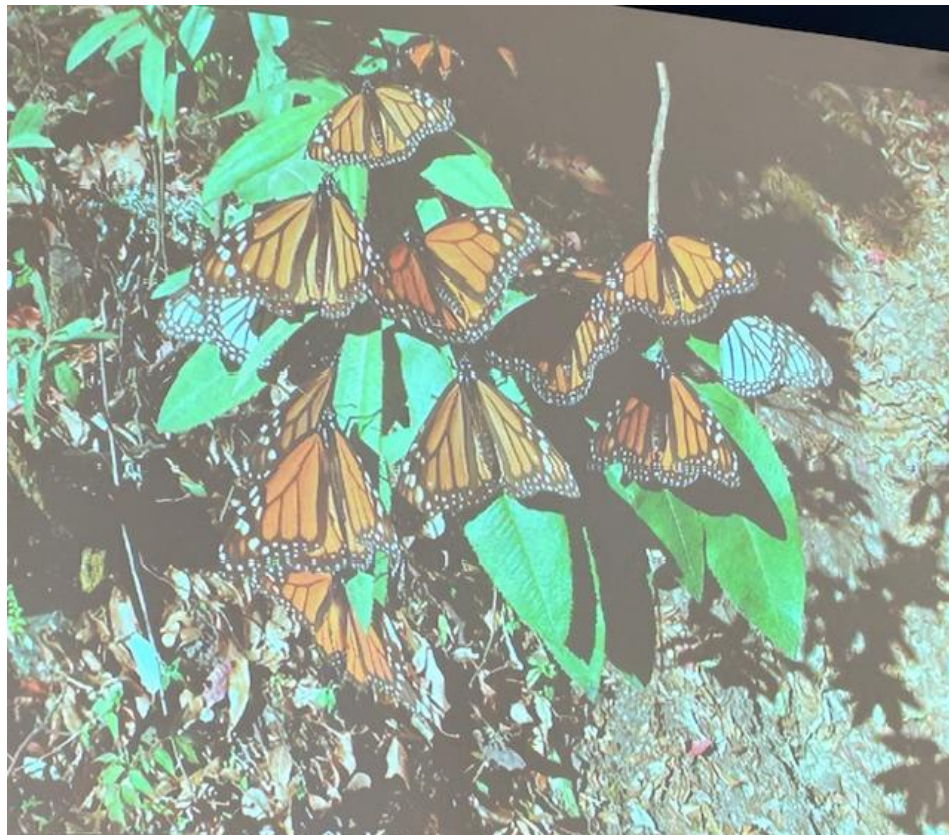
How did it navigate the heavily developed area get there? A routine check of AFC trail cameras on the Cottonwood Canyon property(2) shows the rascal burrowing in the stream before heading up the hill, past the mouth of the spring, on his way over to the San Rafael Hills and, ultimately, where he was spotted in Glendale. The bear's adventures document and validate the fact that large mammals are using the Cottonwood Property to travel between large blocks of natural landscape in the region.

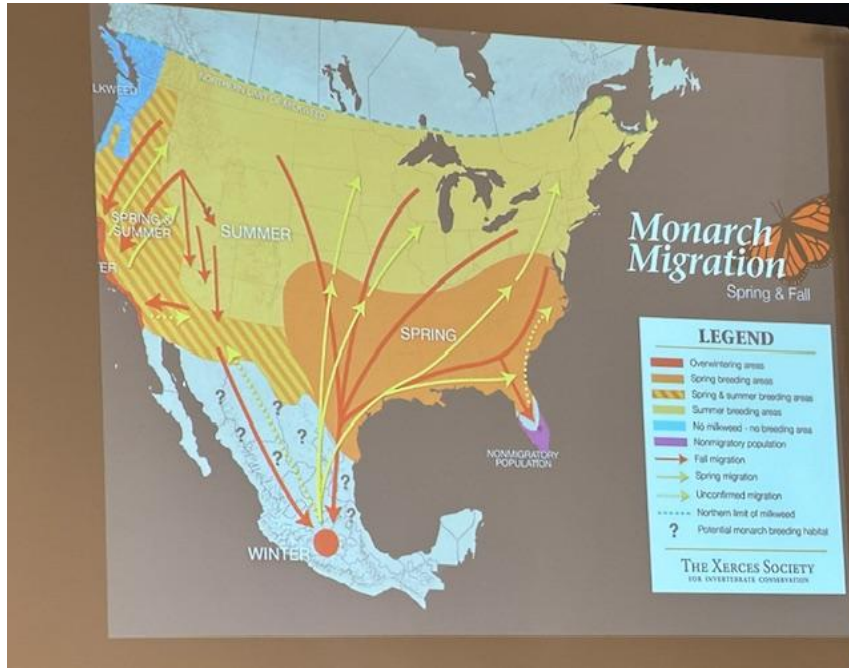














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