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Topanga Elementary School Fights for Topanga State Park

I always enjoy it when children visit the State Capitol. In May, a group of sixth grade students from Topanga Elementary school came to lobby against the Governor's proposed closure of Topanga State Park.

They had collected an amazing 15-16,000 signatures on petitions to bolster their case. And they raised funds to pay for a delegation of 11 classmates to travel to Sacramento to speak face-to-face with legislators and the Governor.



As the Assemblymember who represents Topanga, I was honored to have the chance to meet personally with these wonderful young people, and duly impressed by everyone's maturity, forceful arguments, and depth of knowledge.

They most certainly helped to make a difference, and it was a pleasure to be able to inform them soon after their visit that the Governor had backed off from his very unpopular idea.