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**You are invited to join us at our annual South Orange County Open House. Thinking about joining the Sierra Club? Already a member but are not sure how to help? Just an interested resident? — The Open House is for everyone!**

How do I start hiking? Where? How can I save the environment? How can I get involved in protecting the planet? When and where do you meet? What is happening in South Orange County? How can I find out what events are coming up in the near future? —These questions and many more will be answered by our many experienced members at the Open House. So come and find out how to have fun and help the planet! You can even join!

**CHILI COOKOFF!** In addition, we will have a Chili Cookoff Contest. If you want to make Chili, you can bring it and enter. Join the fun, maybe you will be a winner and get an REI gift card. So, come and have a bowl of chili on us! (to enter the contest, contact Patty Sappingfield at 949-768-3610 for information and to sign up). Everyone samples the chili and votes on the one you like best. P.S. we love any dessert donations for this event.

**WHERE:** Norman Murray Community and Senior Center  
24932 Veterans Way, Mission Viejo, CA

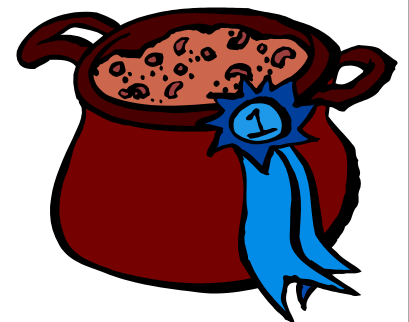
**WHEN:** 7:00 PM, Tuesday, January 22, 2019

**ROOM:** Palo Verde

**DIRECTIONS:**

**Northbound** on I-5, exit at La Paz, turn right onto La Paz, cross Marguerite Parkway and proceed over Oso Creek. Turn left onto Veterans Way and drive to the Murray Center Parking lot.

**Southbound** on I-5, exit at La Paz, turn left onto La Paz, cross Marguerite Parkway and Oso Creek. Turn left onto Veterans Way and drive to the Murray Center Parking Lot



## ***LOCAL SIERRA CLUB ELECTION RESULTS!!!!***

In late October and November, all members had an opportunity to vote on the members of the Angeles Chapter Executive Committee and the Sierra Sage Group Executive Committee. The results were:

Angeles Chapter Executive Committee (consists of 9 members "At Large", i.e., elected from the entire Chapter Membership for 2 year terms, 4 this year and 5 the next and one representative from each regional group like the Sierra Sage of South Orange County)

This year four(4) positions were on the ballot for the At Large positons. The winners were:

Dennis Loya  
Sharon Koch  
Jason Islas  
Marcia Hanscom

All will serve during 2019 and 2020.

## ***SIERRA SAGE GROUP ELECTIONS RESULTS!!!!***

The Sierra Sage of South Orange County Group Executive Committee consists of 9 members elected from the Sierra Sage entire Membership for 2 year term, (4 for one year and 5 for the next)

This year 5 positions were on the ballot. The winners were:

Sharon Koch  
Mike Sappingfield  
Patty Sappingfield  
John Kaiser  
Vanessa Glotzbach

All will serve during 2019 and 2020

The Sierra Sage Executive Committee will meet on January 10th to elect officers, including our Chapter Representative, for 2019. The Executive Committee Members will also approve appointments of all chairs of group committees.

This meeting is open to all our members should you decide to come to observe. Just contact the outgoing Chair, Mike Sappingfield, at [mikesapp@cox.net](mailto:mikesapp@cox.net) or 949-633-6993 for address and directions.

## Sierra Club California Praises California's Adoption of Clean Bus Rule

SACRAMENTO—The California Air Resources Board (CARB) adopted a rule today that will phase in clean buses statewide, taking a giant step towards tackling health-threatening transportation pollution.

The Innovative Clean Transit (ICT) Rule will require that all public transit agencies in California replace old buses that emit pollution with zero-emission buses by 2040.

Today, there are 13,000 transit agency buses in California, of which the majority are powered by diesel fuel or methane gas—both sources that contribute to making our cities some of the most polluted in the United States.

Zero-emission buses are now commercially available and viable. While many transit agencies have already begun adding electric buses to their fleets, this rule will ensure that all agencies deliver clean air benefits in their communities.



### Statement by Kathryn Phillips, Director of Sierra Club California:

“California has demonstrated once again that it is a leader on clean transportation. This is the first major regulation in the U.S. for transitioning to zero-emission buses and will serve as a model for other states and countries.

“The current demand for clean buses has made California a hub for electric bus manufacturing. We have six factories or assembly facilities located here. This rule will create even more good-paying jobs across the state.

“The future of public transit consists of a quieter ride, cleaner air and a healthier economy.”

### Background:

The ICT rule aims to transition 100 percent of transit buses to zero-emission technologies (battery or fuel cell) by 2040. It will achieve this through a purchase requirement and does not require transit agencies to replace buses before the agency would normally do so.

The latest electric buses go roughly twice as far on a single charge as the average transit bus travels each day. Bus ranges have more than doubled in the last three years. Several manufacturers now offer battery electric buses with nominal ranges over 250 miles per charge and one offers a range of over 350 miles. As battery technology continues to improve, the range of electric buses will continue to increase.

The ICT rule will enforce that all transit agencies across the state collectively accelerate their adoption of zero-emission buses rapidly and in a cost effective and prudent way.

This will send a strong signal to transit agencies to create economies of scale that will drive down the up-front costs of zero-emission buses

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# Outings



**Wednesday, January 2, 2019, 9:00 AM**

**0407-Orange County/Sierra Sage Group Outing**

**O: Aliso Wood Grand Tour**

Wood Canyon Trail, Aliso Viejo, CA 92656, 11.5 mi, 900 gain. Start the New Year right with great views and 3 parks. We liked last years version so much, that we will do it again. Starting at Canyon View, well go down Wood Canyon, then take Meadows Trail up to Moulton Meadows. From there well head for Alta Laguna (Top of the World), and finally return via the West Ridge and Cholla Trail. Although there is a big climb in the middle, its downhill at the end! Meet 9:00 am at Canyon View Park in Aliso Viejo (from El Toro Rd go S on Moulton Pkwy, R on Glenwood, uphill & over the toll rd where it becomes Pacific Park Dr, R on Canyon Vistas Dr to bottom of hill) Bring water, lunch, hiking shoes/boots. Rain cancels.

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**Saturday, January 05, 2019 8:00 AM (Time Tentative)**

**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

**O: Trail Maintenance in San Mateo Canyon Wilderness**

Volunteers, male and female, from the OC Group, Sierra Sage Group, and the Gorgonio Chapter maintain trails in the San Mateo Canyon Wilderness on a monthly basis. The location is selected each month based on current needs.

No experience is needed, only a willingness to work. Tools and instructions are provided. To receive announcements with details of each month's activities contact Leader John Kaiser ([jkai39@gmail.com](mailto:jkai39@gmail.com)). Co-leader: Rich Maxey

*John Kaiser (714) 968-4677 [jkai39@gmail.com](mailto:jkai39@gmail.com)*

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**Saturday, January 05, 2019 9:00 AM**

**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

**O: James Dilley Preserve hike**

5 mi, 400; gain moderate hike. Meet 9:00 am at parking area on Northbound Laguna Canyon Road, just north of 73 tollway. See Orange County's only natural lake, views of Mt Baldy. Back by noon. Bring water, hat, lugsoles. Rain cancels.

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**Sunday, January 06, 2019 8:30 AM (Time Tentative)**

**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

**I/O: Day Snowshoe Hike**

Come join us for a day hike in the San Jacinto Wilderness. Hike may be done on snowshoes, depending on snow conditions. From the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway, we will take the tram and ascent to the mountain station at 8600' where we will hike up to 6 miles and up to 1000' of gain/loss, depending on conditions and on the group. We will stop for lunch half way. In the afternoon, we will return to the mountain station. Cost to participate is \$25 for tram

round trip ticket. AAA discount available. Must have prior experience snowshoeing or leaders' approval. Number of participants limited by permit. Contact leaders to register or for more information. Leaders: Sylvie Cote ([msylvie@hotmail.com](mailto:msylvie@hotmail.com)) and Todd Clark ([clarkta@hotmail.com](mailto:clarkta@hotmail.com))

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**Wednesday, January 9, 2019, 9:00 AM**

**0407-Orange County/Sierra Sage Group Outing**

**O: Crystal Cove Beach Walk**

CA-1 & Cameo Shores Rd, Corona Del Mar, CA 92625, USA

7 mi, 200' gain. An easy walk along the beach & bluff top in this beautiful State Park in Newport Beach. Optional stop at Ruby's Date Shack for lunch. Meet at the SW corner of PCH & Cameo Shores in Corona del Mar. Park along frontage road just inside entrance to Cameo Shores or park on Cameo Highlands.

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**Saturday, January 12, 2019 9:00 AM**

**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

**O: Helicopter Ridge Loop**

Trabuco Ridge & Helicopter Hill Loop: 5 mile, 800' gain. A series of San Juan Capistrano trails between Rancho Viejo Road and the Mission Viejo borderline, with amazing views of wilderness and urban scenes from several steep hills. Meet 9:00 am, Park & Ride lot at Junipero Sierra Rd and Rancho Viejo Rd, 1 block E of I-5 Fwy in San Juan Capistrano. (NOT the South OC Rideshare). Bring water, hat, snack, comfortable shoes. Rain cancels.

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**Sunday, January 13, 2019 3:00 PM**

**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

**O: Crystal Cove Sunset Hike**

An easy 4 miles round trip, 100 gain, hike. Enjoy a late afternoon beach walk down to the cottages, then back along the beach, pausing at Pelican Point to watch the sunset behind Catalina Island. Meet 3:00 pm on Cameo Shores Road at PCH, just North of Crystal Cove State Park and we will walk into the Park. We will return to the cars after sunset. This hike is suitable for beginners. Rain cancels.

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**Wednesday, January 16, 2019, 8:30 AM**

**0407-Orange County/Sierra Sage Group Outing**

**O: Morgan Trail Hike**

34950 Ortega Hwy, Lake Elsinore, CA 92530, USA

Orange County/Sierra Sage O: Morgan Trail: 10 miles

round trip, 1550 gain/loss. We will start from the Candy Store and follow the Bear Canyon Trail to its junction with the Morgan Trail which will take us up to the South Main Divide Rd through a mix of chaparral and woodland. Return by the same route.

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**Saturday, January 19, 2019 8:30 AM**

**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

**O: Bear Canyon Hike**

7 miles, 1300 gain, from the Candy Store through chaparral and oaks, via the Bear Canyon Trail to 4 corners, then down to Pidgeon Springs for lunch, then back to the Candy Store. Meet 8:30 am at South OC Rideshare (1 Block east of I-5 on Ortega Highway and Rancho Viejo Road in front of Ball Park Pizza, in San Juan Capistrano). Bring 2 Qts water, lunch, hat, hiking shoes or boots. We will carpool to the FS Parking Lot and Trailhead at the Candy Store. Forest Service Passes required for those driving to the Trailhead. Alternate Meetup at the FS Parking Lot across Ortega Hwy from Candy Store at 9:00 AM. Rain cancels.

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**Sunday, January 20, 2019 3:25 PM**

**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

**O: Signal Hill Sunset Hike**

Join us on a moderate 4 mile, 750 ft gain loop hike exploring the Signal Hill Trail System. The route makes maximum use of the walking trails inside the private residential areas before they close to the public at Sunset. Enjoy 360-degree views to the ocean, San Pedro, Downtown LA and Long Beach, and learn a little about the history of Signal Hill. Afterwards, those interested can join us for refreshments at Mothers Market Cafe and outdoor patio. Meet at 3:25 PM near the entrance of Mothers' Market on Cherry Avenue in Signal Hill.

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**Tuesday, January 22, 2019 7:00 PM**

**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Club Support Event**

**O: Sierra Sage Open House**

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**Wednesday, January 30, 2019, 8:30 AM**

**0407-Orange County/Sierra Sage Group Outing**

**O: Joplin Trail/Old Camp**

167 Live Oak Canyon Trail, Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688, USA

Strenuous HARD 8 mi, 2200 gain/loss. The big climb, including 2 very steep stretches (appropriately dubbed B #1 and #2) occurs in the first 2 mi brings us to the Santiago Truck Trail, where the grade moderates. After a pleasant traverse, a short descent leads to the leafy shade of Old Camp, a lush jewel at the headwaters of Santiago Creek, tucked into the side of Saddleback Mtn. Return by the same route. Expect tremendous views. Meet 8:30 am in the dirt parking area where Plano Trabuco crosses Trabuco Creek. Bring 2 qts water, lunch, hiking boots/lugsoles required, poles recommended. Rain cancels..

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**Saturday, February 02, 2019 8:00 AM (Time Tentative)**

**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

**O: Trail Maintenance in San Mateo Canyon Wilderness**

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**Wednesday, February 6, 2019, 8:30 AM**

**0407-Orange County/Sierra Sage Group Outing**

**O; O'Neill Park Loop**

Meadow Ridge Dr, Trabuco Canyon, CA 92679, USA  
6 mi, 700' gain hike from the end of Meadow Ridge Road up to the Vista Point, then down the Oak View Trail south to Hoffman Homestead trail then follow the HH Trail north then back over the ridge and back to the cars.

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**Sunday, February 10, 2019 3:45 PM**

**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

**O: Signal Hill Sunset Hike**

Join us on a moderate 4 mile, 750 ft gain loop hike exploring the Signal Hill Trail System. The route makes maximum use of the walking trails inside the private residential areas before they close to the public at Sunset. Enjoy 360-degree views to the ocean, San Pedro, Downtown LA and Long Beach, and learn a little about the history of Signal Hill. Afterward those interested can join us for refreshments at Mothers Market Cafe and outdoor patio. Meet at 3:45 PM near the entrance of Mothers Market on Cherry Avenue in Signal Hill

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**Wednesday, February 13, 2019, 8:00 AM**

**0407-Orange County Group Outing**

**O: Oak Flats - Fox Springs**

6.5 miles, 700 ft gain. Join us on a loop hike on various trails in the Oak Flats area. We will use the Bluewater trail to reach a high point with a view into San Mateo Canyon, then return to loop around scenic Oak Flats, and finally use the Lucas Canyon trail to end the hike near Fox Springs.

The number of participants is limited and you must contact the Leader to register for the hike.



**Saturday, February 16, 2019 to Sunday, Feb 17, 2019**

**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

**I/O: San Jacinto winter backpack**

Join us as we celebrate Presidents' Day weekend in the San Jacinto Wilderness. This moderately difficult overnight backpacking trip will start on Saturday at the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway station in Palm Springs, ascending to the mountain station at 8600' where we will snowshoe (or hike) with full packs for 3 miles to Round Valley (9100') to set up camp. In the afternoon we will explore Round Valley and Tamarack Valley for approximately 3 miles, followed by Happy Hour. On Sunday, we will return same way. Participants must have either snow camping experience or have the approval of leaders to participate. The cost to participate is as follows: (1) round-trip ticket up the Palm Springs tramway is approximately \$25 per person; they offer AAA discount. (2) A \$5 camping fee per person is charged by San Jacinto State Park. The \$5 is to be prepaid to leaders by February 1st, 2019; it is refundable if spot is resold. Participation is limited by permit. Contact leaders to register or for more information. Trip letter to follow upon acceptance to the outing. Leaders: *Todd Clark (714) 803-0195 clarkta@hotmail.com* *Sylvie Cote (949) 547-2998 mlsylvie@hotmail.com*

**Saturday, February 16, 2019 8:30 AM**

**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

**O: Laurel - Lizard Hike**

Join us for a 5 mile, 500' gain hike in the Laguna Coast Wilderness. Meet at the Willow Staging Parking Lot on the CA -133, Laguna Canyon Hwy at 8:30 AM. \$3 parking pass per car. We will hike up the lower Laurel Canyon Trail to the Lizard Trail, then return back to the parking lot via the Bommer Trail and the Willow Trail. Bring Hat, 2 qts/liters of water, and munchies. Rain Cancels.

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*John Kaiser (714) 968-4677 jkai39@gmail.com*

**Wednesday, February 20, 2019, 9:00 AM**

**0407-Orange County/Sierra Sage Group Outing**

**O: Seaview Park**

Seaview Park, Laguna Niguel

Join us for this 5 mi, 400 gain hike in which we climb up the Aliso High Trail above Aliso Creek for great views of the ocean, creek, and South Laguna Beach. Meet 9:00 am at the uphill intersection of Highlands and Ridgeview, Laguna Niguel. From Alicia Pkwy, R on Highlands, R on Ridgeview. Park on Ridgeview. Sylvia Stevenson (949) 487-2660 sjstevenson2828@yahoo.com

*Audrey Tomovich (949) 204-7600 tomovich@cox.net*

**Saturday, February 23, 2019 8:00 AM**

**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

**O: Tenaja Trail**

Join us on a 7 mi, 900 ft gain hike to Fisherman Camp along the most scenic trail in the San Mateo Canyon Wilderness. The gain occurs on the exit hike. Several crossings of Tenaja Creek are involved, which would be a factor only if there is ample winter rain. Bring your lunch, water, and hiking boots. We will have lunch at Fisherman Camp. Rain or critical fire danger will cancel. Meet at the south OC ride share at 8 am or at the trail head at 9:15 am. Directions to the trail head are available from Leader: *John Kaiser (jkai39@gmail.com)*, Co-leader: *Linda Ledger*.

**Wednesday, February 27, 2019, 9:00 AM**

**0407-Orange County Group Outing**

**O: Laguna Canyon Loop**

8 mi, 1300 gain, 1900 loss. Starting at Willow, we climb to Bommer Ridge and hike to Laguna Beach via Water Tank. There we will catch the Laguna Beach shuttle to Top of the World and then follow the West Ridge to Stairsteps, which will return us to the Canyon and our starting point. Hike begins at 9:00 at the Willow parking

lot. (From I-5, take El Toro Rd towards Laguna Beach to the T, L on Laguna Canyon and almost immediate R into parking lot.) Bring water, lunch, lugsoles, hiking poles recommended, \$3 for parking. Steady rain cancels. *Helen Maurer (949) 768-0417 7gables@cox.net*  
*Ed Maurer (949) 768-0417 balois@cox.net*

**Saturday, March 02, 2019 8:00 AM (Time Tentative)**

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**Sunday, March 03, 2019 4:05 PM**

**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

**O: Signal Hill Sunset Hike**

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**Wednesday, March 6, 2019, 8:30 AM**

**0407-Orange County Group Outing**

**O: Richard and Donna O'Neill Land Conservancy Hike**

27211 Ortega Hwy, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675, USA

O: Donna O'Neill Land Conservancy: 5 mi, 200 gain. This is your chance to explore one of the most beautiful wild flower regions of So Orange County. Children 10 years old with parents welcome. Rain cancels. Donation to DONLC: \$10 adults, \$5 children, to support the work of the Conservancy. Special instructions to come on this hike: Go to the Reserve at Rancho Mission Viejos website, go to the calendar Page: <http://mvreserve.org/calendar/> and scroll down the Sierra Sage Hike of March 6, 2019, fill out the registration form, click the waiver box. The site will send them a confirmation email with links to the waiver form which they should print and bring with them.: We will meet at the South Orange County rideshare point and move as a group, carpooling, to meet with the Reserve Staff as directed. OC Rideshare point is 1 blk east of I-5 in the southeast corner parking area at intersection of Ortega Hwy and Rancho Viejo Rd in front of Ball Park Pizza. NOTE!! If rain cancels, the hike will be changed to Thursday, March 14th. Bring 2 qts/lts of water and hats are recommended.

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**Sunday, March 10, 2019 8:30 AM**

**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

**O: Caspers West Ridge Cougar Pass Hike**

Join us for a 6 mile 600' gain hike in Caspers Regional Park. We will climb the West Ridge, Starr Rise, Bell Canyon, & Cougar Pass trails then back to Old Corral Parking lot. Meet at 8:30 AM at the South Orange County Ride Share point in San Juan Capistrano (1 block east of I-5 at Ortega Plaza, SE corner of I-5 and Rancho Viejo Rd. Meet in parking lot in front of Ball Park Pizza). We will carpool into Caspers Park.

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Note: \* Denotes voting member of the Executive Committee

### SIERRA SAGE MEETINGS.

- Executive Committee meetings are open to all members of the Sierra Club who reside in South Orange County. Meetings are on the 2nd Thursday of each month. Contact Mike Sappingfield at [mikesapp@cox.net](mailto:mikesapp@cox.net) for date, time and directions.
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- Interested in electing environmentally supportive politicians into local offices? Contact Ray Heimstra at [raymondheimstra@gmail.com](mailto:raymondheimstra@gmail.com)
- Want to keep the Santa Ana Mountains wild? Or even want to help maintain the trails in the San Mateo Wilderness Area? Contact John Kaiser at [jkai39@gmail.com](mailto:jkai39@gmail.com)



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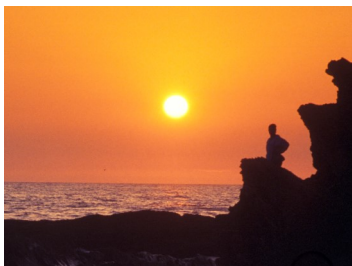
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**Sunday, January 13, 2019 3:00 PM**  
**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**  
**O: Crystal Cove Sunset Hike**

An easy 4 miles round trip, 100 gain, hike. Enjoy a late afternoon beach walk down to the cottages, then back along the beach, pausing at Pelican Point to watch the sunset behind Catalina Island. Meet 3:00 pm on Cam-  
 eo Shores Road at PCH, just North of Crystal Cove State Park and we will walk into the Park. We will re-  
 turn to the cars after sunset. This hike is suitable for beginners. Rain cancels.

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