

Task Force Logistics

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Overview

- ▶ Background
- ▶ Report
- ▶ Public Hearing Plan
- ▶ Experts
- ▶ Information Requests
- ▶ August Hearing



Background Preparations

- ▶ Planning and researching since November
- ▶ Consulted numerous experts
- ▶ Read books and academic and investigative articles
- ▶ Drafted detailed report outlines
- ▶ Outlined potential public meetings structure for full two years

Issuing a Report in Two Parts





Staff Advises Report in Two Parts

- ▶ Long Review Process
- ▶ For a June 2022 publication, 1st draft by Thanksgiving 2021. CC 8301.1(c)
- ▶ Legislature allotted additional funds, but can't access until July 1, 2021



Considerations for Task Force Report Part I

- ◀ Past and Present state-sanctioned systemic racism rooted in slavery
- ◀ Publish by June 1, 2022. GC 8301.1(c)

Considerations for Task Force Report Part I

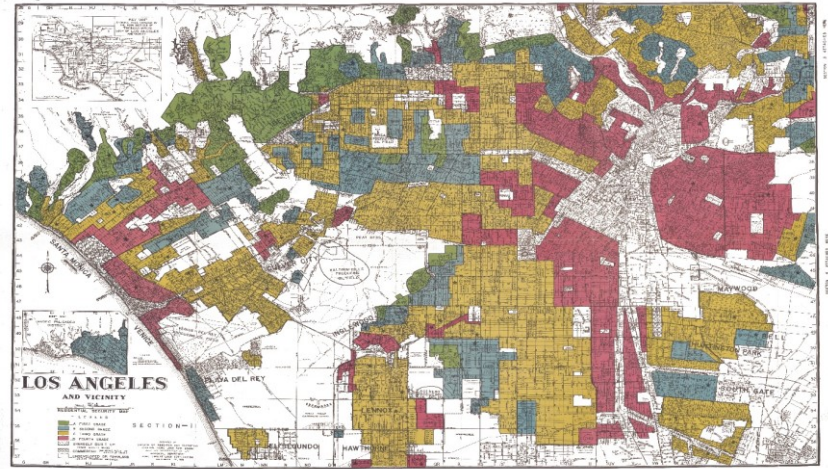
- ▶ Institution of slavery
- ▶ Racial Terror
- ▶ Disenfranchisement



May 26, 1952 A burning cross at 1816 East 122nd Street., Willowbrook Los Angeles. Mr and Mrs Rayfield Lundy. Rayfield Lundy was a politician and attorney. (Photo by Los Angeles Examiner/USC Libraries/Corbis via Getty Images).

Considerations for Task Force Report Part I

- ▶ Housing Segregation
- ▶ Education Inequality
- ▶ Environmental Inequality



1939 appraisal map issued by the Home Owners Loan Corporation, a federal agency. Red lined areas were labeled as risky investments due, for example, to “[s]ubversive racial elements, particularly Negroes, increasing.” This discouraged banks from giving non-white people mortgages.

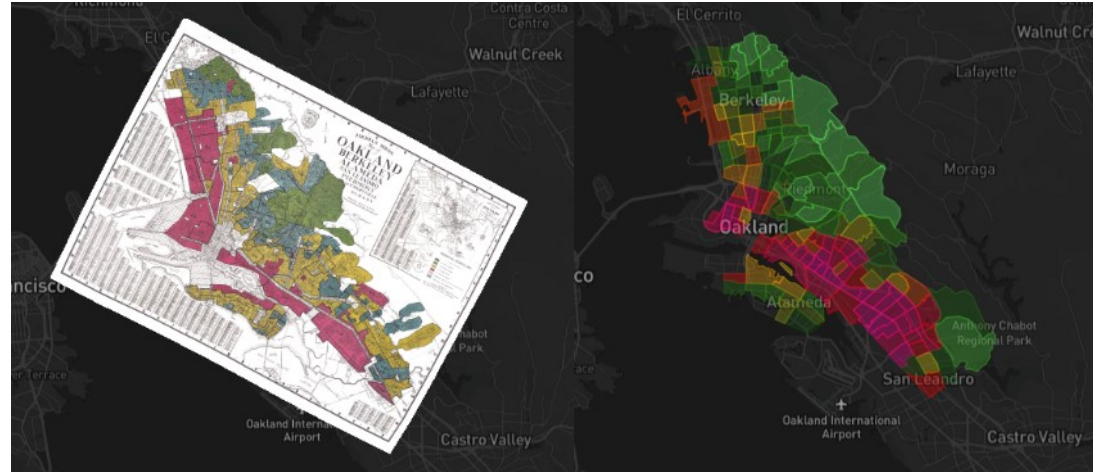
Considerations for Task Force Report

Part I

▶ Arts/Culture

▶ Family

▶ Health



On the left is an HOLC map of Oakland from 1937. On the right is a map of Oakland shade with statistics from the CDC including poverty, lack of vehicle access, and crowded housing. The red areas on the right indicate that a community is more vulnerable to disasters such as COVID-19 or an earthquake. <https://dsl.richmond.edu/socialvulnerability>. Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial-ShareAlike 4.0 International License.

Considerations for Task Force Report Part I

- ◀ Discrimination in Labor
- ◀ Criminal Justice
- ◀ Gap in Wealth Accumulation



Median Household Net Worth by Partnership Status

Data from Traub, et. al *The Asset Value of Whiteness: Understanding the Racial Wealth Gap*, Demos (2017)
Graphic: California Department of Justice



Each Section Includes

- ◀ Federal
- ◀ California
- ◀ Harmful, discriminatory legacy of the institution of slavery



Considerations for Task Force Report Part II

- ◀ Recommendations
 - ◀ Aim to publish in early summer 2023
 - ◀ AB 3121 sunsets July 1, 2023. CC 8301.7



Considerations for Task Force Report Part II

- ◀ Apology
- ◀ International Law Justification
- ◀ Economic rationale
- ◀ Eligibility



Considerations for Task Force Report Part II

- ◀ Summary of Existing Reparations Schemes
- ◀ Recommendations
- ◀ How to educate the CA public



Report in Two Parts

- ▶ Comprehensively explain the root of systemic racism in slavery and potential reparations schemes
- ▶ Include all public hearings in report
- ▶ Additional public participation
- ▶ Part 2 not published until early summer 2023.



DISCUSSION AND VOTE:

Report in Two Parts?



Public Hearing Plan





AB 3121

- ▶ Small Task Force
- ▶ Sunsets July 1, 2023
- ▶ Only 10 meetings See GC 8301.2 (i), (j)
- ▶ 5 member quorum GC 8301.2 (g)
- ▶ Enormous mandate
- ▶ Interconnected nature of the issues



Public Hearing Themes

- ▶ Meeting 1 (June 2021): Reparations 101
- ▶ Meeting 2 (August 2021): The Roots of Systemic Racism
Institution of Slavery, Political Participation, Racial Terror



Public Hearing Themes

- ▶ Meeting 3 (October 2021): Government Segregation in Housing and Education
Housing Segregation, Education, Environmental Justice

- ▶ Meeting 4 (December 2021):
Dehumanization of Black Americans
Arts & Culture, Health and Family



Public Hearing Themes

- ▶ Meeting 5 (Mid-Feb. 2022): One Country, Two Systems Criminal Justice
- ▶ Meeting 6 (Mid-March 2022): The Black and White Wealth Gap Accumulation of Wealth, Banking, Labor



Public Hearing Themes

- ▶ Meeting 7 (Summer 2022): Potential Extra Meeting As Needed
- ▶ Meeting 8 (August/September 2022):
Truth and Reconciliation Apology and Precedents



Public Hearing Themes

- ▶ Meeting 9 (October/November 2022): Into The Future of California Proposals for Reconciliation
- ▶ Meeting 10 (Summer 2023): Presentation and Approval of Second Report



DISCUSSION AND VOTE:

Public Hearing Plan?



Experts



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From Here to Equality

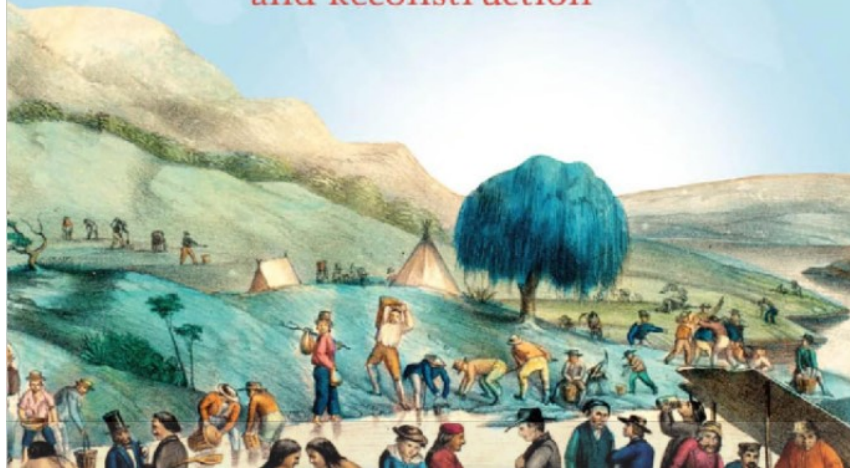
REPARATIONS FOR BLACK AMERICANS
IN THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY



STACEY L. SMITH

freedom's frontier

California and the Struggle
over Unfree Labor, Emancipation,
and Reconstruction



MAKING BLACK LOS ANGELES

CLASS, GENDER, AND COMMUNITY, 1850-1917

MARNE L. CAMPBELL





DISCUSSION AND VOTE:

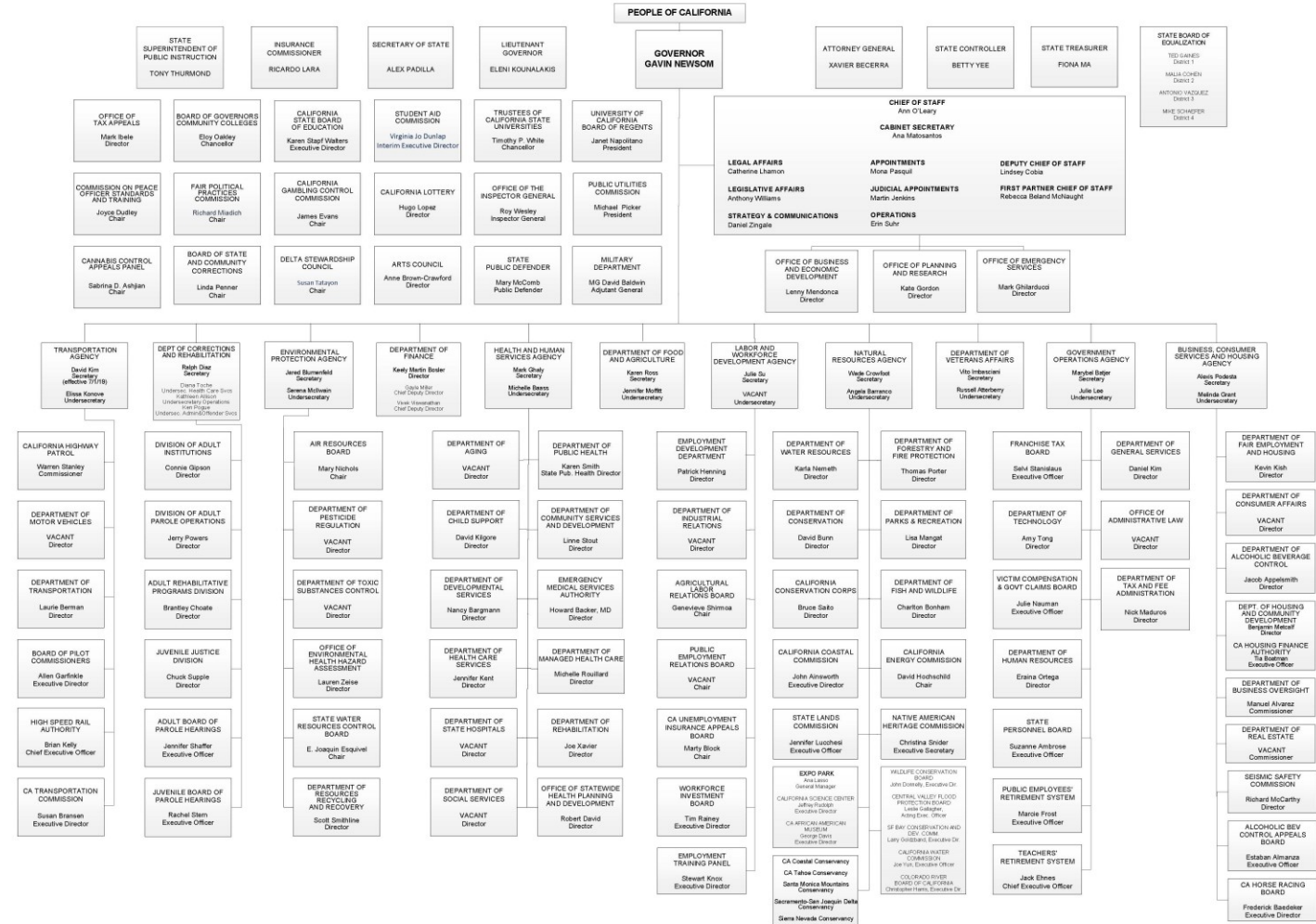
Experts



Information Requests



CALIFORNIA STATE GOVERNMENT – THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH



August 2021 Hearing

Roots of Systemic Racism:
Institution of Slavery,
Political Participation,
Racial Terror
Date To Be Determined





Expert Witnesses

- ◀ Institution of slavery as the basis of systemic racism
- ◀ History of racial violence
- ◀ Political Participation and voting rights



Personal Testimony Witnesses

- ▶ California resident with experience of racial violence
- ▶ California resident with experience of criminalization of Black political participation



DISCUSSION AND VOTE:

August Hearing Witness?

