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Demian Hardman
Contra Costa County
Department of Conservation & Development
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RE: Draft Environmental Impact Report for Creekside Memorial Park Cemetery
County File No. LP052096

Dear Mr. Hardman,

The East Bay Regional Park District (the 'District') appreciates the opportunity to review the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the proposed Creekside Memorial Park Cemetery. The District has reviewed and commented on this project previously, most recently in a January 12, 2006 comment letter addressed to Ryan Hernandez.

As described in our 2006 letter (see attached), the District is interested in the inclusion of a connector trail linking Camino Tassajara along the eastern edge of the property with the existing Tassajara Ridge Trail which runs parallel to the project's western boundary within the Dougherty Valley Open Space. We request that the applicant address the need for this connection in the final EIR and that the County condition the developer's construction of the trail as a public multi-use connection with a staging area at or near Camino Tassajara. This item could be included in the proposed improvements for the roadway frontage.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment on this proposed project. Please feel free to contact me at (510) 544-2624, or by e-mail at arivoire@ebparks.org if you have any questions regarding our comments.

Sincerely,

Anne C. Rivoire
Senior Planner

cc: Jim Townsend, Trails Development Manager
attachments: 1

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Martinez, CA 94553-0095

RE: Tassajara Creek Regional Trail
Creekside Memorial Park
County Fine Number LP052096

Dear Mr. Hernandez:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above-referenced application for a land use permit for the proposed Creekside Memorial Park in unincorporated Contra Costa County.

The schematic alignment for the Park District's Master-Planned Tassajara Creek Regional Trail runs through the proposed development project. Therefore, the District requests that the development be conditioned to construct the trail to District standards through the project area. The trail should be located on the west side of the creek. All relevant setbacks from the creek to meet County and regulatory requirements should be maintained.

We further request that the developer provide a connector from the Tassajara Creek Trail along the southern edge of the property to connect to the Dougherty Valley open space and trail system. The eastern edge of the property abuts the Dougherty Valley open space. We recommend that the County consider a reservation of development rights via a conservation easement over the eastern portion of the property east of the proposed "upper gardens" area.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this development proposal. Please feel free to call with any questions regarding the Park District's comments.

Yours truly,

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cc: Linda Chavez, EBRPD Advanced Planning Department





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Subject Creekside Memorial Cemetery

Damien,


Attached are comments from EBRPD on the DEIR for the Creekside Memorial Park. Please let me know that you have received the file. A hard copy will follow by mail.

Regards,
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