

Subject **Re: NSCRCD Board of Directors - 3/7/24 @ 5:00 p.m.**
From [REDACTED] Lucas [REDACTED]
To Stephanie Moreno <smoreno@gcrcd.org>
Date 2024-03-06 05:27 AM



Stephanie,

Please scratch my second submittal to you. Had misunderstood fragment of TV news I saw on this Coyote Creek iron flood wall. It is not upper Coyote Creek but reach between Old Oakland Road and #280 that is getting iron channel treatment, in fact in RCD back yard.

This is even more tragic from standpoint of loss of natural creek interface with dense neighborhood and more scary if people and animals are swept into box culvert in heavy flow with no means of getting out.

Larry Johmann worked with these residents 20 years ago and canoed this reach often, and if you can reach him he might have a strong perspective of what is now in progress. But it looks beyond recall. Actually, twenty years ago progressive levee upgrade for this reach was scheduled and funded. Afraid management sidelined it. Believe CEO felt flood control too expensive to be worth it.

Can't begin to say how sad this destruction of urban creek corridor of Coyote Creek makes me with both its loss of natural habitat and what was once an exceptional recreation experience.

Hope you can get some more positive response from Valley Water as to their actions here.

Libby

On Monday, March 4, 2024 at 05:30:50 PM PST, Stephanie Moreno <smoreno@gcrcd.org> wrote:

Hi, Libby! The Board hasn't had a discussion regarding this, but with your permission, I would like to read your letter into the record during public comments not on the agenda. Would that be OK?

Sincerely,

Stephanie Moreno, Executive Director/District Clerk
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On 2024-03-04 05:01 PM, [REDACTED] Lucas wrote:

Stephanie,

Hope you are discussing with your Board the ongoing installation of an iron fence flood wall on Coyote Creek by Valley Water that appears to be without environmental review by either regulatory agencies or the public. Think this is hydrologically unsound as well as environmentally disastrous.

Could elaborate on alternative measures for flood water retention in Coyote Valley that have encouraged Valley Water to pursue over past decade in light of threat of global warming and atmospheric rivers and to which have had no response, but it is too painful to repeat the obvious.

The permitting process for this destruction of vital regional natural resource does need to be addressed. Please do fulfill your RCD natural resource conservation mandate.

Libby Lucas

On Monday, March 4, 2024 at 04:39:49 PM PST, Stephanie Moreno <smoreno@gcrcd.org> wrote:

The agenda for the North Santa Clara RCD Board of Directors meeting has been posted to our website. Members of the public may participate in person, by phone, or online via Zoom (see agenda link for additional information).

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or would like additional information.

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