



Water Skate Parks (Booth 5) (/initiative/4Wjh/water-skate-parks-booth-5)

This is a plan to construct two additional storm water diversion dams on Soquel Creek and the Pajaro river. Like the Storm Aquarries plan, the reinforced concrete settling basin structures would dual as a Skate Board Park outside of the rainy season.

Comments

Jean Brocklebank 3w, 6d ago

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No more dams.

Bill Smallman 3w, 4d ago

And over drafting the ground water basin is better? We need more water to support the current population, and this will not devastate the fish habitat, Over drafting the ground water basin will, and that is what is currently being practiced. Are you going to say the same thing to beavers?

Jean Brocklebank 3w, 2d ago

No, we do not "need" more water to support the current population. The current population can learn how to live within the limits of the current water supply. There is still a lot of water waste in residential, commercial, and especially agricultural sectors. A lot of water waste. I have personally reported several chronic commercial landscaping leaks this summer, where water had been leaking so much over the years that there was moss growing under the hose bibs (they were consequentially fixed!). Repair of leaking water delivery infrastructure will also provide a lot of water for the current population, as well as additional residents. Want to add to groundwater storage? Try building smarter driveways in the watersheds - driveways that allow water infiltration instead of drainage to the bay. Agricultural practices really need to be addressed. What's with the reference all the time to beavers, Bill?!!

Bill Smallman 3w, 2d ago

Because beavers build dams. Believe me, I would prefer to not build any dams. I am both an Environmentalist and a Civil Engineer, and all I am trying to do is find more water sources with minimal impact on the environment. This proposal collects only heavy storm flow, most of which flows into the ocean. It still maintains year round access for the fish. I am all in favor of conservation improvements, and think my "Conservation Accounts Plan" proposal is the best way to achieve this. We differ in that you feel that conservation alone will solve the problem, and I disagree. I also think that this plan has minimal environmental impact, and will help stop the over draft of the groundwater basin.

Fred Martinez 2w, 6d ago

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Too little, think much larger.