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San Dieguito River Valley

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Dear Friend,

Since 1986, Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley has been an advocate for the preservation of the valley. Below are the advocacy issues we engaged in this year and our achievements. We invite you to support our continuing work with a financial contribution.

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- Response to the Fairgrounds DEIR and three other Draft responses for the City of Del Mar, The Lagoon Committee and the SD River Park JPA.
- Letters to Senator Christine Kehoe in support of SB 1177 legislation to create a Greenway along the San Dieguito River, south of the fairgrounds.
- Response to the Flower Hill Shopping Center Draft Environmental Impact Report emphasizing the lack of information about the project's impact on public access to the Coast, to the River Park Board Walk and to the trailhead at the proposed Lagoon Center, as well as to coastal and lagoon scenic corridors, and the lagoon environment.
- Advocacy for the protection of rare open valley vistas in a retirement village proposed by the Rancho Del Mar developers, a project north of the Polo Fields. The project consists of 224 units although the City of San Diego general plan authorized 4 home sites.
- Anticipating renewal of its lease, the Polo Club has finally accepted a separation of its horse exercise track from the dedicated public trail just north of the river.
- After the yet to be published re-issuance of EIR's, we anticipate support for San Diego's coordinated projects for a reduced Via de La Valle as well as El Camino Real Bridge widening, under grounding of the utilities lines and roundabouts rather than traffic signals.
- We lobby the SD City Council to enforce the rental obligations of the lease of public land by Fairbanks Ranch CC and to reinstate the City's contribution to the River Park budget.
- We attend public hearings and meetings of the JPA, City Councils, Planning Groups, Coastal Commission, Citizens Advisory and Project Review Committees and the 22d DAA Fairboard.
- WEBSITE REVISION: this most ambitious year's project. See FSDRV.org for materials that document the issues above and much more. In particular, we closely follow current issues at a time when many newspapers have reduced their local and regional reporting.
- GRAND AVENUE BRIDGE: The Project is now complete, with two more signs added this year and funded with your contributions.

Your financial contribution helps us cover printing pamphlets, distributing information, and maintaining public outreach activities. A new expenditure this year is the professional redesign and maintenance of our website. Because we are an advocacy group, contributions are not tax deductible. As always, we are most grateful for your support.

Jacqueline M. Winterer

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