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Isn't this property zoned for residential homes? How did we get from just building residential homes to ripping into the land to develop yet another entrance to Helen Putnam Park AND add a mini Disneyland park to the bottom of D street in between "supposedly" protecting the habitats that have been there for years? All for the "Petalumans." Guess what. It's not just the Petalumans that frequent HPP. There are people from many counties in the surrounding area that head here to hike, ride mountain bikes, etc. And, human behavior shows that we are not all that careful about adhering to the rules posted on signs. Especially those citing habitats, estuaries, etc.

I fear for the habitats being destroyed or meddled upon. I fear for the runoff of water from the top of HPP that may not have the proper drainage to handle the water, I fear for the wildfires that all of us as "Petalumans" hold our breath praying every year that we do not encounter a fire that destroys the land we love.

We have 3 entrances to HPP and we don't need another with all the bells and whistles that will clog D Street down to the center of town, nor Windsor Dr. There is Oxford Court, Chileno Valley, and Windsor Dr. I have a home on Cambridge Lane and have been there for 24 years. My home butts up to the piece of land that now has not 1 but 2 trails and a parking lot to house 32 cars. On any given day, even a holiday, I can count an average of 9-11 cars in the lot. The main entrance on Chileno is the same deal. The lot is never full. People park on Windsor Lane and Cambridge Lane (even though there are No Parking signs) and walk to the 2nd entrance that was added because people just are either too lazy to walk to the entrance at the roundabout or don't want to "support" HPP by paying the \$7.00 parking fee. By the way, this 2nd path had to be professionally graded because the dirt/grass was trampled upon by hikers having made a rudimentary 2nd path that was eroding.

Lastly, and most importantly, the land behind my home has shifted. The erosion and the levels/undulations of the land have shifted downward. The soil is Adobe and there are springs of water popping up but with Adobe the water is not seeping into the ground. The land is shifting so badly that the drainage in my yard is being overloaded by my neighbor's yard draining underneath the ground into my yard.

These are all real issues people. I implore the City to vote against Davidon because the environment will not be protected and Mother Nature will rear her head if the land is allowed to be trampled upon.

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