

Please don't take away funding for Lake Cunningham water quality

Maria Fuentes <[REDACTED]>

Mon 3/13/2023 8:47 PM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

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Dear Agenda Desk Dear Mayor and Councilmembers,

As a resident off the Evergreen community since 1979 I am very concerned Lake Cunningham, a beautiful asset in our community has become so dangerous we are forbidden to use it! I clearly remember when it was built, and the enjoyment it has brought to our entire region

Please do not take away the \$3.2M in Measure T funds that was previously committed to improving water quality at a park located in a low-income community of color. The water in Lake Cunningham is so degraded that swimming and even boating are prohibited. Residents of the East Side deserve to have this inequity addressed, and this funding will help begin the path towards improved water quality.

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Brian Sorensen <[REDACTED]>

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## Concern with 3.5 - Nov 2018 Ballot Measure T

Cindy Luong <[REDACTED]>

Mon 3/13/2023 9:37 PM

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Hi San Jose City Council,

Hi, my name is Cindy Luong and I've been a long-time resident of East San Jose. We need to retain the original funds for the environment to make this place a safer place and add value to our community.

For far too long our communities' environmental issues have been put on the back burner and our representatives have faced constant pushback when bringing forward recommendations to make improvements to Lake Cunningham.

Since the mid-1990s, the water quality at Lake Cunningham has experienced a detrimental decline, which has compromised access to the lake, threatened the environment, and jeopardized the safety of park meadows and amenities during algae blooms or natural flooding on this historical floodplain.

It's been over 30 years that the lake has been off-limits for recreational use.

This reality begs the question, if not now, then when? Your vote will show us how much you value environmental equity and justice for East San José.

I strongly urge the council to:

- Accept the Candelas & Ortiz memo, and
- Give voters what was promised in measure T, putting these funds towards preventing flooding and water quality contamination.

Thank you,  
Cindy Luong

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Charlene Henley <[REDACTED]>

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Jennifer Roberts <[REDACTED]>

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Allan Campbell <[REDACTED]>

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Dear Agenda Desk Dear Mayor and Councilmembers,

It is very disappointing that the council would even consider diverting these funds. The vast majority of measure T was already allocated to construction and other projects. The people of the East side deserve to have their park restored. Rather than taking away these funds, the council should find additional funds to fully fully mitigate historic contamination at Lake Cunningham.

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What is the point of placing measures and spend tax dollars funds to reallocate these funds and do something else with it.

In my time paying my dues in weekend work program I learned about our parks and people's inability to fish or swim at Lake Cunningham. Let's work on preserving the resources we currently have instead of spending money in issues we didn't vote for. Please listen to our votes and voices.

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[REDACTED]

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Jacob Estrada <[REDACTED]>

Tue 3/14/2023 1:00 AM

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Eric Meece <[REDACTED]>

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Diana Morgan-Hickey <[REDACTED]>

Tue 3/14/2023 2:08 AM

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Raeena lari <[REDACTED]>

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Raeena Lari

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FW: Jessica Gutierrez 95112 - Agenda Item 3.5, 3/14/23, Measure T's water quality funding: Lake Cunningham

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Tue 3/14/2023 7:42 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

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**From:** District 5 United <[REDACTED]>

**Sent:** Monday, March 13, 2023 7:04 PM

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Jessica Gutierrez  
95112

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FW: Victoria Duran 95148 - Agenda Item 3.5, 3/14/23, Measure T's water quality funding: Lake Cunningham

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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**From:** Kathryn Hedges <[REDACTED]>

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**Subject:** 3.5 - Status Report on the November 2018 Ballot Measure T - The Disaster Preparedness, Public Safety, and Infrastructure General Obligation Bond.

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Dear Mayor, Vice-Mayor, and Councilmembers:

I am a concerned resident of San Jose, living in District 3 but still interested in our natural and built environment--including Lake Cunningham in District 5. From where I live, I can ride VTA to the lake. But the water quality is so bad that if the lake floods into the park during these atmospheric river events, it leaves dangerous residue behind. (Let alone try to boat or swim on the lake.) This is one of the reasons the voters passed Measure T in 2018.

For far too long, our communities' environmental issues have been put on the back burner, and our representatives have faced constant pushback when bringing forward recommendations to make improvements to Lake Cunningham.

Since the mid-1990s, the water quality at Lake Cunningham has experienced a detrimental decline, which has compromised access to the lake, threatened the environment, and jeopardized the safety of park meadows and amenities during algae blooms or natural flooding on this historical floodplain.

It's been over 30 years that the lake has been off-limits for recreational use.

This reality begs the question: if not now, then when? Your vote will show us how much you value environmental equity and justice for East San José.

I strongly urge the council to:

- Accept the Candelas & Ortiz memo, and
- Give voters what was promised in measure T, putting these funds towards preventing flooding and water quality contamination.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Hedges

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***Ho Ying Karakas***

***94089***

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Tue 3/14/2023 7:55 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

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***This Lake can be a place where people can rent paddle boats and create memories. The lake can become a destination where people from other parts of town come to visit. It would enrich the area.***

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2023 6:35 AM

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***Please, Please Please do this for the children.***

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FW: Sandra Sundberg 95148 - Policy 5-1, Use a City-led Community Engagement Process

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**From:** San Jose United <

**Sent:** Monday, March 13, 2023 7:06 PM

**To:** District2 < District3 < District4 <  
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**Subject:** Sandra Sundberg 95148 - Policy 5-1, Use a City-led Community Engagement Process

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Dear City Council,

**I join 1,100+ community members in urging you to use a city-led community engagement process for any development of areas zoned Private Recreation and Open Space, including the 114 acre Pleasant Hills Golf Course site.**

Use a city-driven and very robust community engagement and visioning process like you are doing for sites a fraction of the size. The city and community should drive that process, not the developer. Please also ensure any future plans for this site include dedication of a significant percentage of the site for public open space.

Sandra Sundberg  
95148

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Tue 3/14/2023 7:57 AM

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Tejashri Pradhan  
95129

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Tue 3/14/2023 8:00 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

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To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

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***This neighborhood was home for me and my kids for their childhood- my daughter is back in the area with her kids now. This neighborhood and San Jose overall needs this open space with lake access for relaxation and enjoyment for quality of life here.***

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Marnie Mar  
95110

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Tue 3/14/2023 8:04 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

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**Subject:** Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter comment letter re: Agenda Item 3.5 - Measure T Status Report

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March 13, 2013

San Jose City Council  
200 E. Santa Clara St.  
San Jose, CA 95113

Re: Agenda Item 3.5 - Measure T Status Report

Dear Mayor Mahan and Councilmembers,

The Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter urges the Council to approve the memo from Councilmembers Candelas and Ortiz to maintain the City's commitment to improving water quality at Lake Cunningham through Measure T funding. Please do not take the \$3.2M in Measure T funds that was committed to improving water quality at a park located in a low-income community of color. Please find our full comment letter attached.

We urge the Council to approve the memo from Councilmembers Candelas and Ortiz and maintain the City's commitment to improving water quality at Lake Cunningham through Measure T funding.

Sincerely,

James Eggers, Executive Director  
Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter

sent by:  
Barbara Kelsey  
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Chapter Coordinator  
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Re: Agenda Item 3.5 - Measure T Status Report

Dear Mayor Mahan and Councilmembers,

The Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter urges the Council to approve the memo from Councilmembers Candelas and Ortiz to maintain the City's commitment to improving water quality at Lake Cunningham through Measure T funding. Please do not take the \$3.2M in Measure T funds that was committed to improving water quality at a park located in a low-income community of color.

In 2018, the Sierra Club, with other organizations, engaged and mobilized our members and supporters to promote Measure T and provide information to voters. This \$650M infrastructure bond measure allocated \$50M for natural flood and water quality protection. With the City of San Jose, we celebrated the resulting acquisition of 937 acres of open space and farmland in North Coyote Valley for permanent conservation. The remaining \$3.2M in the "Environmental and Flood Protection Projects" funding category should be dedicated to water quality projects, as envisioned in Measure T.

We support the allocation of the remaining \$3.2M to improve the water quality at Lake Cunningham Park, which provides open space and recreation opportunities, as well as habitat restoration opportunities, to the less affluent community of East San Jose. Water quality in the lake has degraded so much that it has become toxic to fish and wildlife, and swimming and even boating have been prohibited for health and safety reasons. This is both an environmental embarrassment and an equity issue that San Jose should cure. The \$3.2 million in environmental funding will help begin the path to improved water quality.

Lake Cunningham is not only a recreational resource, it is a remnant of San Jose's historical geomorphology and heritage. Lake Cunningham was once known as Laguna Socayre, a wetland where creeks merged to support willow thickets and a rich fauna of fish, birds and wildlife. A project to restore water quality in Lake Cunningham could include constructed

wetlands to remove contaminants from the water and provide valuable ecosystem benefits to the region, including flood protection, habitat, and climate resilience.

We urge the Council to approve the memo from Councilmembers Candelas and Ortiz and maintain the City's commitment to improving water quality at Lake Cunningham through Measure T funding.

Sincerely,



James Eggers, Executive Director  
Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter

## Re: Agenda Item 3.5 - Measure T Status Report

Juan Estrada <[REDACTED]>

Tue 3/14/2023 9:07 AM

To: Alice Kaufman <[REDACTED]>

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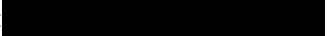
Dear Mayor Mahan and Councilmembers,

This is an update. Attached please find a newly revised/updated version of the joint letter previously submitted concerning Agenda Item 3.5 on the March 14 Council agenda (the Measure T Status Report). The letter has been updated to add **Working Partnerships USA**, **Cassell Neighborhood Association**, and **Plata Arroyo Neighborhood Association** + **Gateway East N.A.C.** to the list of signers.

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- Greenbelt Alliance
- Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter
- District 5 United
- Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful
- Sacred Heart Community Service
- Asian Law Alliance
- Capitol Park Goss Neighborhood Association
- Portuguese Organization for Social Services and Opportunities (POSSO)
- California Native Plant Society, Santa Clara Valley Chapter
- **Working Partnerships USA**
- **Cassell Neighborhood Association**
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On Tue, Mar 14, 2023 at 8:55 AM Alice Kaufman <> wrote:

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- Working Partnerships USA



Alice Kaufman (She/Her)

Policy and Advocacy Director

  
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On Mon, Mar 13, 2023 at 12:46 PM Alice Kaufman <> wrote:

Dear Mayor Mahan and Councilmembers,

Regarding Agenda Item 3.5 on the March 14 Council agenda (the Measure T Status Report), please find attached the joint comments of the organizations listed below.

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Thank you for your attention to these comments.



**Alice Kaufman (She/Her)**

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March 14, 2023

San Jose City Council  
200 E. Santa Clara St.  
San Jose, CA

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### **Background**

In 2018, San Jose voters overwhelmingly approved Measure T, a \$650M infrastructure bond measure. In a groundbreaking move, \$50M of that funding was designated by the City Council for natural flood and water quality protection, focused primarily on Coyote Valley. The 2019 acquisition of 937 acres of open space and farmland in North Coyote Valley for permanent conservation used less than the full \$50M, leaving \$3.2M unused in the "Environmental and Flood Protection Projects" funding category. In 2021, the Council unanimously voted to keep that \$3.2M dedicated to water quality projects, such as improving the water quality of Lake

Cunningham – a purpose that is aligned with Measure T’s language concerning funds for natural flood and water quality protection.

This funding was always intended to be used for environmental protection. The vast majority of Measure T funding has already been used for other infrastructure projects. Voters were told in 2018 that \$50M of the funding would go towards natural flood and water quality protection, and the Council reaffirmed that commitment in 2021. The City should not abandon that commitment to the voters by taking this \$3.2M away from environmental protection and using it for other purposes.

### **Importance of Lake Cunningham**

For generations, Lake Cunningham served as one of the primary open space recreation areas for the East Side. Families who could not afford weekends at Lake Tahoe had their own lake, in their own neighborhood, where they could swim, boat, and hold weddings and quinceañeras. But for decades, water quality in Lake Cunningham has been degrading to the point where now, swimming and even boating have been prohibited for health and safety reasons. This is both an environmental disaster and a major inequity inflicted upon a low-income community of color. The \$3.2 million in environmental funding will help begin the path to improved water quality.

Furthermore, restoring the water quality in Lake Cunningham is an important natural resource issue. The area surrounding Lake Cunningham was once a freshwater marsh known as Laguna Socayre. Streams coming down from the hills spread out in the several thousand acres of bottomlands that lay at the foot of the alluvial fans, and formed wetland complexes where discontinuous streams interspersed with willow thickets. Lake Cunningham is not only a recreational resource; it is a significant remnant of San Jose’s historical wetlands, and as such could be providing valuable ecosystem benefits to the region, including flood protection, habitat, and climate resilience.

We urge the Council not to walk back the commitment made in June 2021 for the use of the \$3.2M in funding for water quality improvement. Please reaffirm the Council commitment to the voters to use this funding for prevention of water quality contamination.

Sincerely,  
Alice Kaufman, Policy and Advocacy Director  
**Green Foothills**

Shani Kleinhaus, Environmental Advocate  
**Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society**

Jordan Grimes, Resilience Manager  
**Greenbelt Alliance**

James Eggers, Executive Director  
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Poncho Guevara, Executive Director  
**Sacred Heart Community Service**

Sandy Flores, President  
**Capitol Park Goss Neighborhood Association**

Bela Ferreira, Executive Director  
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