



Analysis of Wild Pig Damage

Coyote Creek Golf Club

The destruction of playing surfaces by wild pigs at Coyote Creek Golf Course commenced on August 1, 2020 with subsequent increasing damage. There are multiple sounders of wild boar inflicting severe damage to several locations of our 414-acre property. The constant repair is having a negative financial impact to our Golf Course Maintenance budget, as well as presenting a less than ideal playing condition for our guests. In addition to the obvious damage, our reputation as a Tournament caliber golf facility is in jeopardy as we will host the prestigious Northern California Open next week under these unfortunate conditions.

Here is a quick estimate of the costs so far in 2020:

- 7 weeks of escalating repair; 2 full time dedicated associates @ \$18.50 hr wage
560 hours = **\$10,360**
- Additional part time help; 280 hours @ 16.50 hr wage = **\$4,620**
- Occasional refunded Green Fees to dissatisfied guests;
12 @ \$78 = **\$936**
- Lost future business due to poor playing conditions;
Undetermined, but foreseeable \$4k per month.

These costs do not reflect the Monthly trapping fees, or the conceivable costs of replacing vast areas of turf that we did in 2017 at a cost of \$40k. We have worked very hard to build our business based on providing superior playing surfaces, and it is heartbreaking to see this work being destroyed in such an unnecessary manner. Whatever resources available to us that would help our plight would be greatly appreciated.

Best Regards

Mike Fish, General Manager Coyote Creek Golf Club

Fw: 4-1 Feral Pigs

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Thank You,

Barb Gregory



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Dear City Council Members-

I would like to add comments regarding the feral pig issue in the South San Jose area.

My name is Nick Checklenis, I am the Golf Course Superintendent at Silver Creek Valley Country Club and have held this title for the past 28 years. By far, this has been the worst year for us and the community regarding feral pig damage. At this time, we have 8 pig traps set on the golf course and around neighboring areas with no success of trapping. We are approximately \$4,000 in trapping fee's and another \$10,000 in damage repair and this includes having employee's work graveyard shift to harass the pigs from any further damage. As you can imagine, this practice is dangerous as the employees are driving the golf course in the dark.

I hope you can understand our concern both with employee safety and the excessive damage and expense the pigs are causing.

Thank you for your time,

Nick Checklenis Golf Course Superintendent
Silver Creek Valley Country Club



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Fw: Item 4.1 Ordinance to Control Feral Pig Population.

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Good afternoon Mayor and Council,

As some of you may know I live literally across the street from Santa Teresa Park and I really miss the wildlife including a flock of wild turkeys and an entire family of pigs who never harmed anybody.

I would like to touch on 3 things today:

First: Double standards. I was under the impression that the City was in support of preserving Coyote Valley as a wildlife corridor between the Santa Cruz Mountains and the Diablo Range, so why are we exterminating wildlife instead of using Measure T funds to acquire this golf course and returning it back to wildlife?

Second: This gentleman is not proposing to use a bow and arrow but a crossbow which is just as deadly as a high power rifle with a silencer, so the ultimate objective here is really to perform these activities under cover without being heard. As an example, I once had to call the Police when I found a crossbow arrow tip lodged in my front yard fence approximately 6 feet from one of my daughters' bedroom window. We never heard a thing other than deer, turkeys and occasionally wild pigs frequenting our front yard.

Last but not least, I encourage you to watch Elon Musk's Neuralink presentation which should give you a different perspective on pigs and their intelligence compared to that of human beings: <https://youtu.be/sr8hzF3j2fo?t=926>