

## COMMENT SUMMARY

### DRAFT QUARRY PARK ALTERNATIVES COMMENTS

Community Workshop: October 3, 2017

#### TABLE SUMMARIES

##### Table 1

**Prefer Alternative 1.**

- Move the disc golf to a different location, extend down around bend.
- Keeps family activities grouped – don't want to split families up
- Add more recreation for kids (small area)

##### Table 2

**Eliminate Alternative 2 – No development in Mirada Surf East**

**Prefer Alternative 1.**

- Like both pump track and fenced dog area
- Look at the layout – could use fine tuning
- Pump track could be located near the pond, where the volunteer-built tracks have been before
- Don't favor disc golf – could be a maintenance nightmare with all the poison oak throughout the park
- Keep and improve the play area – add more challenging features like climbing wall, zip line, higher tree house

##### Table 3

**Eliminate Alternative 2 – No development in Mirada Surf East** (but did like that it spreads impact)

**Prefer Alternatives 1 and 3 (about equal weight).**

- Like low impact of 3, but want dog area
- Need to keep free space around the play area – activities flow out from around the play and picnic (informal play, bounce houses, etc.)
- Consider pond area for pump track.
- Disc golf seems problematic: poison oak, need to clear a lot of trees, intense impact on land

##### Table 4

**Prefer Existing Conditions (add nothing).**

- Improvements/maintenance should be for safety, fire protection, and ecological purposes ONLY.
- Find alternatives in other parks

##### Table 5

**Prefer Alternative 1.**

- Want all the proposed elements, grouped in the one place.
- Like bringing all people together
- GCSD-PAC has spent 2 years looking for a pump track site, without success.

## DESIGN CRITERIA SHEETS

- The two that filled out the sheets correctly came out with Alts 1 and 3 fairly close, Alt 2 clearly last:
  - Alt 1: 149, Alt 2: 122, Alt 3: 152
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- The one that filled out criteria without weighting had a similar result:
  - Alt 1: 81.5, Alt 2: 50.5, Alt 3: 78.5
- Three Criteria Sheets were filled out by Alt. 4 advocates, with no ranking of other alternatives. They felt that important criteria satisfied by “as is” include:
  - Preserves natural feel of park
  - Provides family friendly ambience
  - Protects sensitive habitat
  - Retains open meadow/flexible use space
  - Promotes outdoor education; connection to nature
  - Promotes physical activity
  - Accommodate dog use
  - Minimize noise impacts
  - Low construction costs/impact
  - Minimize impact on neighbors
  - Supports trail use

## WRITTEN COMMENTS ON ALTERNATIVES (On Post-Its, Flip Charts and Criteria Sheets)

### Alternative 1

- Bikes and dogs!
- Like the large and small dog areas
- PROS:
  - Pump track is away from residences
  - Fenced dog area is important
  - Existing (*traffic?*)
- CONS:
  - Fenced dog area attracts professional dog walkers (at least consider making it smaller)
  - Pickleball courts will replace high value open space for kids
- Zipline, big tree house
- Bikes and dogs
- Keep dog areas close to road/parking access + ADA
- Pump track can be a bike ride from parking, but... needs emergency access too.

- Put pump park where kids built it, below the pond
- Culvert (this Post-It was at the Wicklow Meadow creek corridor)

## Alternative 2

- Zipline, big tree house
- Against anything on Mirada East
- NO
- No Go!
- PROS:
  - Sports impact away from Quarry Park
- CONS:
  - Mirada East is a protected area – it should not be built on
  - This area has been deemed a sensitive protected area. It has been the subject of legal battles. It cannot be built on.
  - Entirely in view of at least 1 block of homes
  - Too close to school
  - Pump track noise, dust and traffic will impact neighbors
  - Increased traffic through neighborhood
  - Outside users will be brought in, crowding neighborhood
  - Encourages additional use from Hwy 1 – Traffic (Goes beyond being a local asset)
  - No bathrooms
  - No parking
  - No trash pickup or law enforcement
  - Will bring in “outsiders” – potential for trash and ruined surroundings – NOT on West Mirada!
  - Potential to encourage unsanctioned homeless activity
  - Erosion of wetland area & sediment deposition
  - Concern of aggressive erosion transport from pump track to wetland in this location
  - Requires Coastal Commission approval (?)
  - Disc golf – poison oak? Maintenance burden
- Worst Alternative

## Alternative 3

- We need a pump track!!!
- This is WAY too much space taken up by the pump track. It shouldn't get the whole meadow
- Huge pump track – does utilization projection justify size?
- Keep pumptrack OUT of Quarry Park! Re-consider disc golf - Not in the trees
- Zipline, big tree house
- PROS:
  - Pump track is away from residences
  - Existing (*traffic?*)
- CONS:
  - Pickleball courts will replace high value open space for kids

- Place pump track back on pond, where it was
- Disc golf corridors – would require wider corridors

#### Alternative 4 (Keep as Existing)

- AKA Group with Bench
- Save wetlands Mirada East. Don't destroy our neighborhood with a pump course
- Culvert on Columbus feeds wetlands
- Try to preserve park “as is” – take care of tree maintenance & roads as needed (rains/winds etc).
- Save the labyrinth
- Leave Quarry Park as is!!
- We don't need to develop this area. Remove invasive species, replace with natives. Otherwise, leave it alone.
- My cats don't like noise!
- No pump track
- PROS:
  - Park is very popular and people are happy there
  - Costs nothing
  - Does not increase traffic
  - Allows wildlife habitat

#### CLOSING COMMENTS

- We need more input
- Disc golf community is responsible and multi-generational. Visit a course (e.g. at Golden Gate Park) to see how well maintained and unobtrusive it is. GGP course is ENTIRELY club/volunteer built and maintained. They could address the poison oak in Quarry Park. Encourage people to get to understand the sport.
- Pump track can be small, does not have fences. It is an activity for many ages, and fills a need for the tween and teen age kids who have nothing to do in the park now. No fence is needed. Encourage people to get to understand the sport. Lots of pictures online.
- Building things together builds community.
- Engaging in environmental stewardship builds community.