



# HAYWARD AREA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT

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Ms. Angelina Coelho  
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RE: Response to Alameda County Health Care Services Notice

Thank you for your response to the public notice concerning the environmental clean up of the future Holland Park property. I would like to ensure you that the Hayward Area Recreation and Park District has taken every required step of the clean up process. The Alameda County Department of Environmental Health has been and will be involved during the entire process. The Corrective Action Plan (CAP) was developed by environmental professionals and approved by the County. The clean up project is related to the removal of the contaminated soil that remains from the former Holland Oil Company facility. There has been significant testing and sampling completed over a number of years. It is not anticipated that there will be any problems with the clean up project.

With respect to the proposed Holland Park, the Ashland District is the most underserved area within the Hayward Area Recreation and Park District. There is less than .38 acres of parkland per 1000 people. The goal is to have five acres of parkland per 1000 people, which is attained in most other areas. I do agree that it will be a challenge, but change can occur. The development of the County Youth Center next to the park and the park opening access to Edendale School and Edendale Park will assist in creating a better environment.

Sincerely,

**Larry Lepore**  
**Superintendent of Parks**

LL:jw

cc: Jerry Wickham, Alameda County Department of Environmental Health

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July 8, 2009

Mr. Jerry Wickham  
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Of Environmental Health  
1131 Harbor Bay Parkway  
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Dear Mr. Wickham,

I received the fact sheet from the Alameda County Health Care Services providing information on Holland Park Property, 16301 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street, San Leandro.

I am writing to you as a concerned citizen of this community in regards to the clean up process outlined on the fact sheet. I am skeptical that the work will not be performed to its best. In the past the community has heard over and over how the contracted vendor will be a job well done yet we still endure unpleasant orders/fumes. This has caused health issues, especially for the elderly. My hopes is that the Hayward Area Recreation district contracts to a honest and reliable vendor that will DO a good job in cleaning up the hazardous material underground and aboveground; eliminating the potential of future health issues.

My second concern is in regards to the proposal of building a park in that area after clean-up is complete. Unfortunately, this neighborhood is not a good one. It is full of gangs, drug dealers, and hookers. Placing a park there will only give these people the opportunity to loiter more and cause problems to the community. I would much rather see a business or several business constructed in that area. We have plenty of parks in the neighborhood that are already full of less than desirable people.

I thank you in advance for your consideration of my letter.

Sincerely,

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