

**San Lorenzo Creek Task Force
MEETING NOTES**

**HARD Building
1099 E Street
Hayward, 94541
February 5, 2009
7:00– 9:00pm**

Welcome

- Review Agenda
- Review Meeting Notes
It was requested that the meeting notes have more details about the subjects discussed.
- Announcements
 - The Hayward Historic Society is hosting a Presentation about Russell City by Maria Ochoa
Date & location: February 19th at 7:00pm Hayward Historic Society
 - The regional transportation plan is up for public review and comment, one project in the plan is the straightening of Crow Canyon Road. Anyone interested should contact Howard Beckman.
 - The Fairveiw Area meeting at Supervisor Miley's office (Redwood Rd., CV) was rescheduled for March 4th at 7:00pm
 - There will be a community workshop about the Castro Valley General Plan focusing specifically on areas recently added to the General Plan.
Date & location: February 17th 7:00 – 9:00 pm at the Eden Conference center

Follow-up or Action Items:

7:10 Update on Facilitator Discussion

No updates at this time.

7:15 Development within Creek Setbacks Discussion

- Discussion of possible findings to determine appropriate exceptions to prohibition of development in creek setbacks inside the Urban Growth Boundary to include in Alameda County's watercourse ordinance.
- Discussion about the draft "Findings for development within setbacks"
- Discussion of when to allow replacement of existing structures within a creek setback.

Follow-up or Action Items:

At the next meeting setback exceptions to setback limitations will be reviewed and consensus reached.

8:00 Creek Setback Discussion

There was a discussion about whether or not there should be a minimum distance for the setback, what the minimum would be and how to justify the minimum distance chosen. There was also some discussion about whether or not to have the minimum and also use a criteria based method to determine when the setback needs to be greater than the minimum.

Follow-up or Action Items:

The taskforce would like to hear from an engineer from public Works about the setback distance, its history, whether or not it has worked, what would they like to see for a setback, and what is needed for safety and maintenance.

8:45 Public Comment

- Hear from interested members of the public
- No comments received.

8:50 Meeting Evaluation

- Discussion of Attendance Expectations

There was a short discussion about attendance and how to improve it.

- Review action items and topics for next agenda

The next agenda will include a discussion about attendance and a presentation/Q&A with an engineer from Public Works regarding minimum setback distance.

- Share ideas, concerns, suggestions on how to improve future meetings.

To try to simplify and ensure everyone gets all relevant documents the agenda and any suggested reading will be sent together in one email to the Task Force members. Therefore, whenever anyone has a document to share with the taskforce please send it via email to Liz, Sharron and Linda so it can be sent out to everyone in the agenda packet.

Follow-up or Action Items:

9:00 Adjourn

DISCUSSION GUIDE
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Development Within Creek Setbacks:

Will exceptions be allowed?

if so in what zoning areas?

if so what type of exceptions?

what are the environmental advantages of these developments?

what have other jurisdictions done and why?

What would not be allowed?

why are these particular developments not allowed?

what are the environmental consequences of these developments?

what specific environmental consequences should be avoided?

Creek Setback Discussion:

What is the minimum setback?
based on what criteria?
based on what history?

What have other jurisdictions done?
based on what evidence?

