



January 20, 2014

*Via E-Mail*

Pasadena Mayor, Honorable Bill Bogaard, and Pasadena City Council

**Re: City Council Response to LA County Flood Control District's DEIR on sediment removal at Devil's Gate Dam**

Dear Honorable Mayor Bogaard and Pasadena City Council,

The West Pasadena Residents' Association (WPRA) commends you for taking a strong position opposing LA County's Draft Environmental Report (DEIR) on sediment removal at Devil's Gate Dam. Specifically, we commend you for

- Getting the comment period extended until January 21, 2014.
- Recognizing your responsibility as owner of the property to object to the plan that LA County Flood Control District proposed.
- Voting to retain an expert consultant and to form a special committee of knowledgeable community members, experts, and City staff to develop an alternative plan.

The final action, developing a reasonable alternative plan, is a vital move to protect Hahamongna Watershed Park from major destruction of habitat, and to protect the citizens of Pasadena from the enormous consequences of air pollution, noise and traffic gridlock. Not one of these impacts can be mitigated in the proposed plan.

We appreciate your thoughtful discussion and conclusion and hope that the City Council will continue its vigilance and opposition to the sediment removal plan proposed by the County.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William Urban".

William Urban  
WPRA President

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