

**10/9/18 AGENDA, ITEM 6a - THE GREENBELT INFILTRATION PROJECT  
SUPPLEMENTAL EMAIL FROM CELESTE PEARCE SUBMITTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL  
ON 10/9/18 AT 9:00 A.M.**

On Oct 9, 2018, at 9:00 AM, Caroline Levenberg <[caroline@lionmountain.com](mailto:caroline@lionmountain.com)> wrote:

City Council Members:

I believe Hermosa Beach should do its part to clean the ocean but not this specific large-scale project that is being proposed on October 9<sup>th</sup>.

1. There ARE POSSIBLE OTHER OPTIONS (types of projects and locations) and we want Council to consider those before selecting a project and site in Hermosa Beach
  - Hermosa contributes only 8-15% of the pollution to the Herondo Drain, yet we are accountable for cleaning most the water from Torrance, Redondo Beach, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach
  - The proposed project is TOO HUGE for our small, dense community: 2.2M gallons of storm water = 3.5 Olympic size pools, 164 feet in length, 84 feet in width, 10+ feet deep, 9,470 tons every time it rains – right near our homes or in our park
  - Only cleans the first 15 minutes of runoff and holds the water for only 72 hours, the remaining pollution runs into the ocean
  - The water table is too high for this type of large-scale project causing potential increase for water and soil contamination
  - During construction, frequently-used, beloved, areas will be closed for 2-3 years (e.g., South Park Field, Greenbelt, Valley Drive and safe routes to school, etc.)

The Greenbelt and South Park are primary targets.

**IMPACTS:**

- Too big to be wedged into our small, dense community
- Closure of highly used portions of the Greenbelt and South Park for multiple years
- Huge excavation project (see photos on back) with an estimated 10,000 truck trips during construction phase
- Increased noise, traffic, vibration, safety risks
- Likely substantial property damage and value loss
- Potential contamination of our ground water

Thank you,

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