

Dear S.F. Bay Water Board:

I have been alerted that the Water Board is considering requiring impervious trails that create 10,000 square feet or more, or are greater than 10 feet wide, or are creekside must treat runoff before it is discharged to a storm drain. To avoid this the city of San Jose may have to build trails out of pervious material, adding \$1,000,000 to each trail mile. San Jose Mayor's Green Vision seeks to complete 100 miles of trail network within 15 years. If this runoff treatment becomes a requirement The Green Vision trail network would become financially impossible to accomplish.

It seems obvious that these bike and pedestrian trails do not have toxic material on them that would require water treatment prior to entering the creek. If this water treatment became a requirement, than many miles of trails will never get built due to cost. And the public will not have safe, attractive places to walk and bike. They will drive cars, and the cars will pollute, which is what you are trying to prevent.

In summary, I request the Water Board reconsider the proposal to require bike and pedestrian trails treat runoff. It makes sense.

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