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Agenda Item No. 08

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From: [Angela Woodard](#)
To: [FGG, Public Comment](#)
Subject: [External] Alpine Community Park
Date: Wednesday, April 22, 2026 11:04:53 AM

I have been on line listening to a meeting since 10am. I finally hung up. Will I get a call when it's my turn to speak? I signed up to speak on the phone.

I am in favor of the Alpine Community Park.

Sincerely,
Angela Woodard



From: [Erik Miller](#)
To: [FGG, Public Comment](#)
Subject: [External] RESOLUTION TO SET ASIDE THE CERTIFICATION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND RESCIND ALL PROJECT APPROVALS FOR THE ALPINE COMMUNITY PARK PROJECT AND RELATED CEQA DETERMINATION
Date: Wednesday, April 22, 2026 9:34:36 AM

Dear San Diego County Board of Supervisors,

My name is Erik Llewellyn Miller, and I am a resident of Alpine. I am writing to you today not merely as a concerned citizen, but as a stakeholder in the ecological and cultural future of our community. I formally support the resolution to set aside the certification of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and rescind all project approvals for the Alpine Community Park Project.

As a local resident who deeply values the unique landscape of our region, I am profoundly troubled by the administrative rush to approve a project based on a legally and scientifically hollow EIR. The current environmental review fails the "meaningful public review" standard required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

My primary objections are rooted in the following legal and environmental deficiencies:

1. Critical Deficiencies in Biological Analysis and CEQA Compliance: The EIR fails to establish an accurate, up-to-date baseline for the sensitive habitats it intends to disturb. Under CEQA, a project cannot reliably conclude that impacts are "less than significant" without first conducting exhaustive, multi-season surveys of rare and endangered species. The County's need to partially recirculate the Draft EIR is a "red flag" signaling that the original analysis was fundamentally inadequate. Relying on generalized assumptions rather than location-specific data regarding habitat fragmentation and human disturbance is a direct violation of the thoroughness CEQA demands.

2. Failure to Protect Sensitive Species and Habitat: The proposed "mitigation" strategies for endangered species, such as the Quino checkerspot butterfly, are scientifically insufficient. Suggesting that critical habitat and native plant communities can simply be "moved" to accommodate a park is a gross oversimplification of complex ecosystems and falls short of the protections mandated by the Endangered Species Act.

3. Irreparable Loss of Cultural and Medicinal Heritage: Beyond the technical failures of the EIR, there is an unquantifiable loss at stake. Wright's Field is "hallowed ground" for the indigenous people of this region. For generations, this land served as a living pharmacy, a source of medicinal plants and healing energy. Once these native plant communities are bulldozed, the ecological and spiritual "pharmacy" is closed forever. This project treats the land as a blank canvas rather than a sacred, existing resource. We cannot "restore" thousands of years of medicinal history once the soil is turned.

The residents of Alpine deserve a project that respects both the letter of the law and the spirit of the land. Because this EIR ignores well-documented hazards and relies on inadequate biological surveys, I respectfully request that the Board of Supervisors set aside the EIR certification and rescind all project approvals immediately.

Sincerely,

Erik Llewellyn Miller

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Erik Miller



From: [Dawn Miller](#)
To: [FGG, Public Comment](#)
Subject: [External] RESOLUTION TO SET ASIDE THE CERTIFICATION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND RESCIND ALL PROJECT APPROVALS FOR THE ALPINE COMMUNITY PARK PROJECT AND RELATED CEQA DETERMINATION
Date: Wednesday, April 22, 2026 10:03:48 AM

Dear San Diego County Board of Supervisors,

My name is Dawn Miller, and I am a resident of Alpine. I am writing to formally support the resolution to set aside the certification of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and rescind all project approvals for the Alpine Community Park Project. This pertains to Agenda Item #8 for the Land Use hearing on April 22, 2026.

As an advocate for our community's safety and ecological longevity, I believe the current EIR is fundamentally flawed. My objections are as follows:

1. Critical Wildfire Risk and Public Safety Concerns Alpine is an environment prone to fire; in 2021 alone, our Fire Protection District reported 1,800 emergency calls. I have lived in Alpine for fifty years and have personally witnessed numerous fires threaten our home. Our current safety system is fragile, and our escape routes are already burdened. The introduction of a sports complex would overburden these roads with traffic, creating a significant threat to our evacuation capabilities during an emergency. The EIR's proposed "safety" measure, moving the park a mere 20 feet from the road, is an insult to a community that borders the Cleveland National Forest and has seen fire devastate Wright's Field as recently as 2018.

2. Preservation of a Multi-Generational Legacy Wright's Field is more than just "open land"; it is a living classroom. My children grew up with a deep sensitivity to nature and a firm understanding of conservation values because of this field. I want to ensure that this same opportunity exists for my grandchildren and the generations that follow. By bulldozing this ecosystem for a high-impact park, the County is disregarding the very environment they would be displacing and robbing future generations of their heritage.

3. CEQA Non-Compliance and Biological Deficiencies The EIR fails to meet the standards of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The document relied on generalized assumptions rather than location-specific data, failing to establish accurate baseline conditions for sensitive species like the endangered Quino checkerspot butterfly and the Western spadefoot toad. Under CEQA, recirculation is required when an analysis is found to be inadequate, as was the case here. A document that ignores documented hazards and suggests "moving" critical habitats is not a sufficient environmental review.

I respectfully request that the Board of Supervisors set aside the certification of the EIR and rescind all project approvals for the Alpine Community Park.

Sincerely,

Dawn Miller

Alpine, CA
Retired Educator and Administrator

From: [Megan Werland](#)
To: [FGG, Public Comment](#)
Subject: [External] RESOLUTION TO SET ASIDE THE CERTIFICATION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND RESCIND ALL PROJECT APPROVALS FOR THE ALPINE COMMUNITY PARK PROJECT AND RELATED CEQA DETERMINATION
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 9:21:12 PM

Dear San Diego County Board of Supervisors,

I support the request to rescind the certification of the EIR for the Alpine Sports Complex. I am a lifelong member of the Alpine community; I grew up here and raised my kids here. It is clear that the EIR failed to take into consideration the serious issue of access, the impacts to sensitive species and habitats, and the added risks associated with an area already prone to wildfire. Besides damaging the habitats that make Alpine beautiful and special, this park will serve only a small percentage of the community, who have the time to drive their kids and the money to pay for parking. No parent would allow their child to walk along South Grade, a street that has no contiguous bikeable or walkable sidewalks, and where cars unlawfully exceed the speed limit, driving over 60 miles an hour. I live two minutes from this location, and I would never have allowed my children to walk to this park. We should do everything in our power to conserve open spaces to allow our children to experience nature.

We moved to the countryside for a reason, and Wright's Field, in its natural state, represents the best of Alpine. In addition, the people planning this park did not adequately study the risks that this park poses through a proper EIR. Everyone has reasons in this diverse community to maintain the field in its current state: hikers who treasure the immediacy of walkable habitats, students who study nature in a site they learn about in school, neighbors who anticipate overcrowding on the adjacent streets as people avoid paying fees for parking, parents who fear for their children walking along South Grade, and the indigenous community that has endless reasons to protect their last bits of natural land.

Thank you for your consideration. Again, I urge you to support rescinding the certification of the EIR for the Alpine Sports Complex.

Sincerely,

Megan Werland

Alpine Resident
English Teacher, Steele Canyon High School
