

# Midcoast Community Council

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August 24, 2011

President Carole Groom  
Supervisor Don Horsley – District 3 and Members of the Board  
San Mateo County Board of Supervisors  
400 County Center  
Redwood City, CA 94063

Re: Request for Environmentally Friendly Pathways in Quarry Park

Dear President Groom and Supervisor Horsley,

Due to considerable controversy regarding the material to be used for paving the pathways and picnic area in the playground of Quarry Park, the Midcoast Community Council requests that the County delay paving these areas until after discussions between the Public Works / Parks department and the MCC.

The MCC is concerned about the proposed use of impervious asphalt for new pathways to the Quarry Park playground and picnic tables. This is the ideal opportunity for the county to experiment by using alternative, environmentally friendly surfaces in a small scale setting at a minimal cost. The result of this test could lead to a better understanding of long term pathway solutions that are both environmentally superior to asphalt and potentially cost effective. We respectfully request that the pathways be constructed from one of the following four ADA compliant and environmentally friendly options or similar solutions:

1. Decomposed Granite (DG)
2. Pervious Pavers
3. Gravel Pave 2
4. Packed Dirt Mixed with Crushed Aggregate

All four pervious options meet ADA trail surface requirements.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
s/Len Erickson  
Chair, Midcoast Community Council

Cc: David Boesch, County Manager, San Mateo County  
James C. Porter, Director, Public Works, San Mateo County