

• Below is a Sample Letter Suggestion Template. However, personal responses are the most powerful letters/emails. Please use Template as a guide only:

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EBRPD LETTER ISSUES - SAMPLE LETTER TEMPLATES

I walk at Lake Chabot every day and don't want to have to look up at two enormous buildings while I am enjoying the natural setting. These buildings need to be re-located elsewhere, outside of the Park. The Park District needs to be a good neighbor to the community and to the Park users.

I ride my bike in the Park on a regular basis and don't want to have tall buildings to look at as part of my outing. The current location on a ridge line would negatively impact the outdoor environment for me and others that use the Park to get away from it all.

EPRPD's Master Plan on Page 80 KEP4 states that the District will participate in efforts to protect scenic and cultural resources. The Plan on Page 106 PRPT24 re-emphasizes this point by stating "The District will seek to locate facilities in a manner that preserves open space." It goes on in PRPT29 to state that "the District will work to reduce detrimental visual impact of buildings.....and will work with agencies and neighbors to reduce this impact on adjacent lands." The Mitigated Negative Declaration ignores these principals and chooses to locate new tall buildings on ridgelines that will be clearly visible to Park users and to the neighboring community all the way to Castro Valley Boulevard. Surely there are other more site-appropriate alternatives than Lake Chabot Park for such buildings. EBRPD states that it will Preserve Open Space, but this proposal does just the opposite.

EBRPD is using bond money for the proposed facility improvement plan that violates the District's commitment to Open Space and the protection of views. This conflict was not considered during the study that resulted in the Mitigated Negative Declaration. The tall buildings will be clearly visible from both inside and outside the Park and the building and parking lot lighting will not be something that I want to look at while I am camping at Hawk Ridge. The Park District should be better stewards of public money and not build on ridge lines.

Why can't maintenance on fire trucks and sanitation vehicles be done at other locations? Alameda County Fire has an under utilized facility at Dublin that could maintain the fire truck and the sanitation trucks can be maintained at the new EBRPD facility in Tilden Park. This is a duplication of services.