

Habte Kifle - Tentative settlement agreement Sausal Creek

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Habte Kifle,

I have read the recent tentative settlement agreement related to the August 5, 2010 accidental discharge of superchlorinated water by an EBMUD crew working nearby Sausal Creek. While I feel that acknowledging the spill and paying a \$72,000 fine is a good first step, it doesn't help to remediate the loss of 25 native trout due to the spill. Through creek restoration efforts the environment of Sausal Creek is constantly improving. However, the loss of these fish is a significant setback to the overall fish population of the creek. I feel that any settlement agreement should require that EBMUD would do a Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) to restore the environment in the area that has been damaged. The Friends of Sausal Creek submitted a proposal for consideration and it should be included in the settlement. This type of project will improve the health of the creek that was effected and shouldn't that be a primary result of any settlement?

Thank you for your consideration,

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