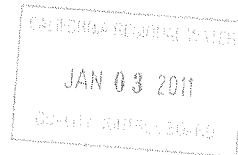


re: City of Napa-Trancas Crossing settlement



To Laurie Taul, For the last year or so I have been following the story in our local newspaper about the city of Napa ignoring state laws by having grading performed well after the cutoff date in an environmentally sensitive area ie: The Napa River. I have also attended two of the city supervisors meetings about this because I take a particular interest in what's been going on for two reasons. Reason # 1. As a general contractor who has built many hillside homes , I have gone to great lengths and additional costs to comply with state mandated erosion control laws imposed all who do even minimal disruption of the earths surface ever since their implementation in 1992. Shouldn't those who impose their own laws on others such as the City of Napa be held to the same standard? Reason #2. As an avid salmon fisherman (I do my fishing in the ocean) and a member of Calif. Fisherman's Alliance, I would like to see the Napa river salmon population continue its progressing comeback unhindered by boneheaded blunders such as Napa's Trancas Crossing project.

A mere \$20,000 settlement for something like their total disregard is like getting a parking ticket for a DUI. What a joke. I know its my tax dollars paying for this but I still believe they deserve a spanking that will remain in their memory for more than two hours. Just my opinion.

Sincerely,

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