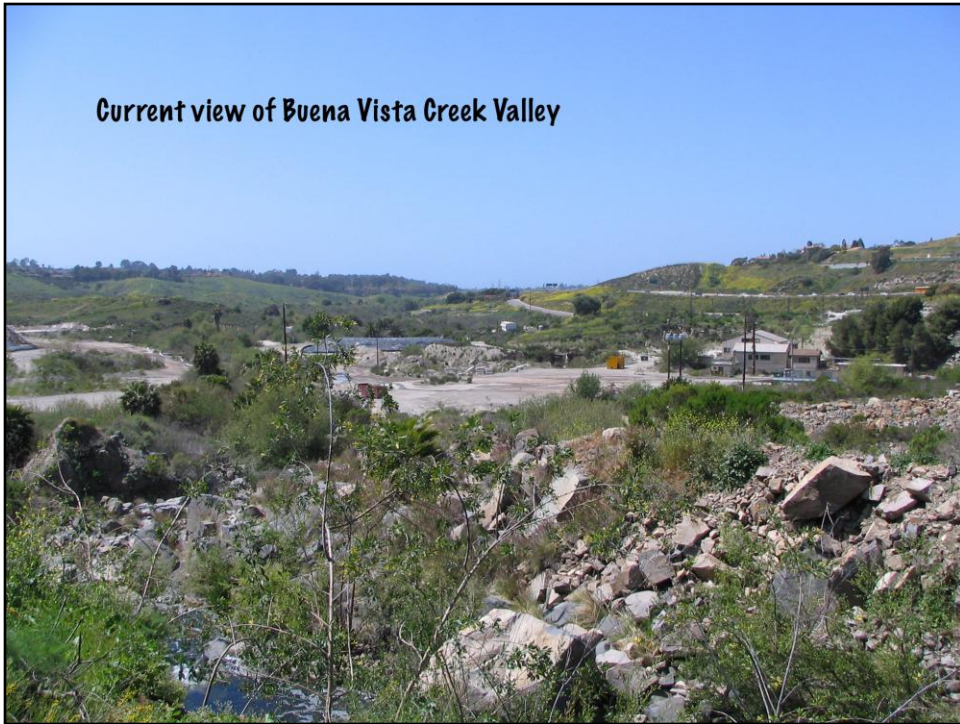




Our goal is to preserve the spirit of a very special place. A place that can't be duplicated. A place with a unique combination of natural, cultural and historic resources. Our goal is to preserve the spirit of the Buena Vista Creek Valley.

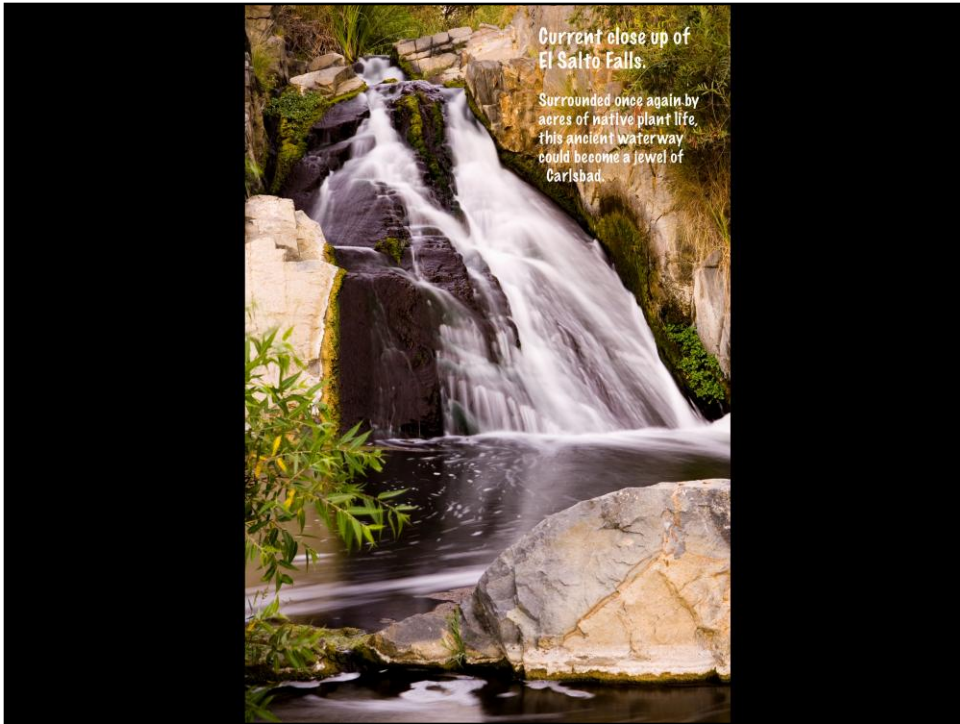


This is the view of the valley today- looking west from the signpost behind Kohl's in the Quarry Creek Shopping Center. We can see signs of the old mining operations, degraded land from its current use for asphalt/concrete recycling, and one of the piles of contaminated soil from the leaking underground gasoline tanks.

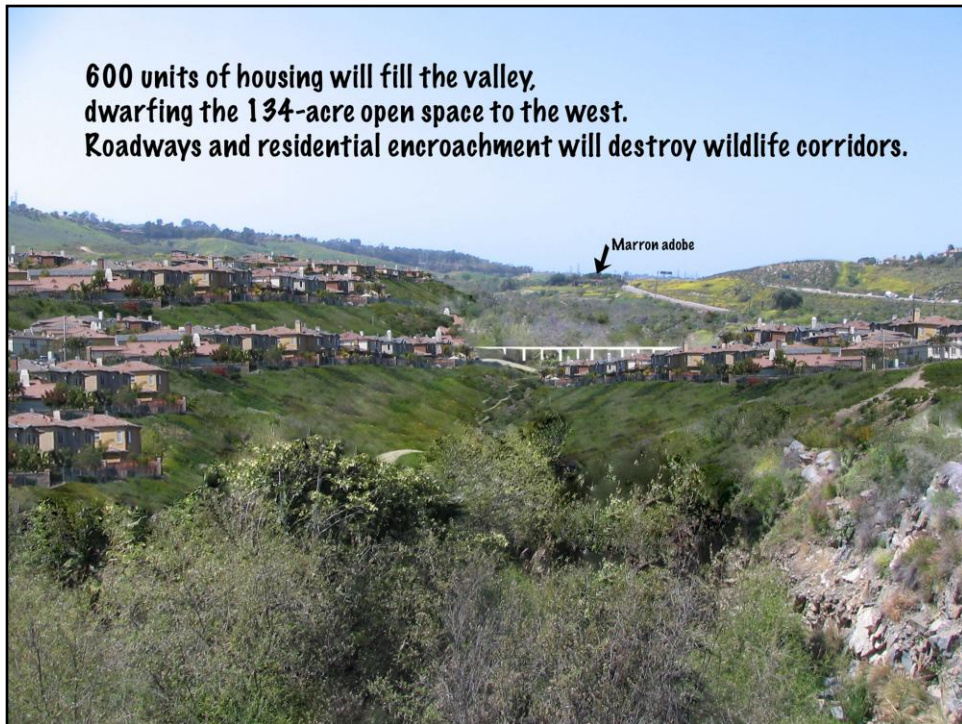
**Buena Vista Creek Valley--Post-quarry.
Undeveloped, it preserves scarce wildlife corridor, and provides harried
commuters on highway 78 a scenic open area during their daily drive.
Hiking trails will offer residents quick access to natural sanctuary.**



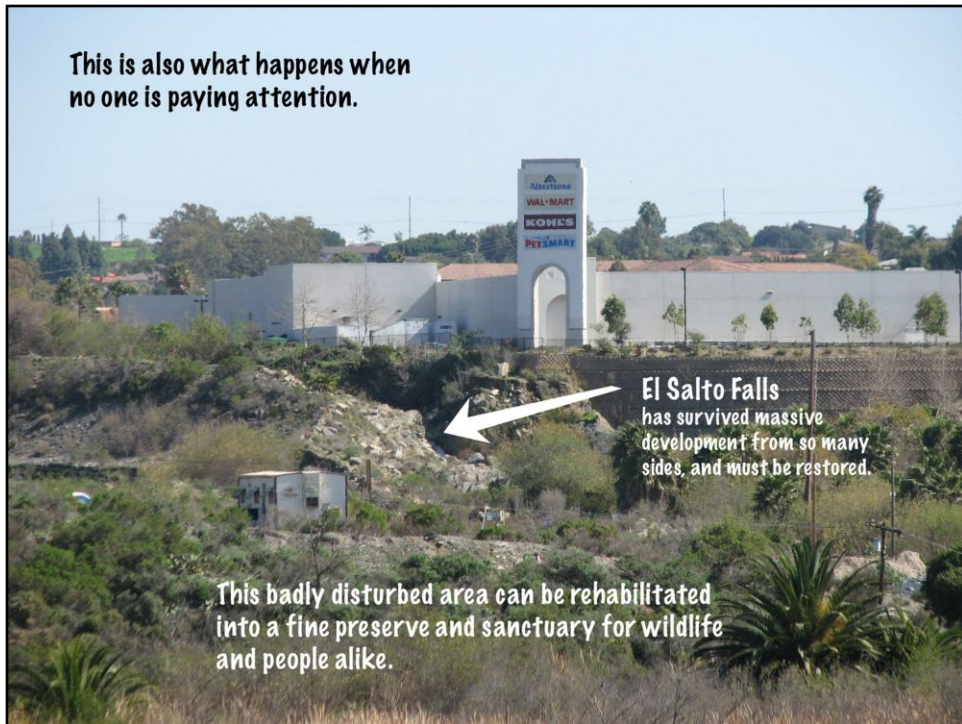
Here is what the valley very easily could look like. Restored to a natural condition with a natural creek flowing through the valley. With all of the restoration costs paid for by Hanson Aggregates- the company that is obligated to restore the old mining site to a safe and usable condition.



The spirit of the valley comes from this- the waters of Buena Vista Creek. These waters flow over the sacred El Salto waterfall. These waters were the reason that Native Americans chose to use this valley going back 9000 years. These waters are the reason that early Californians settled here and made this the planting land for the ranch surrounding the Marron Adobe.

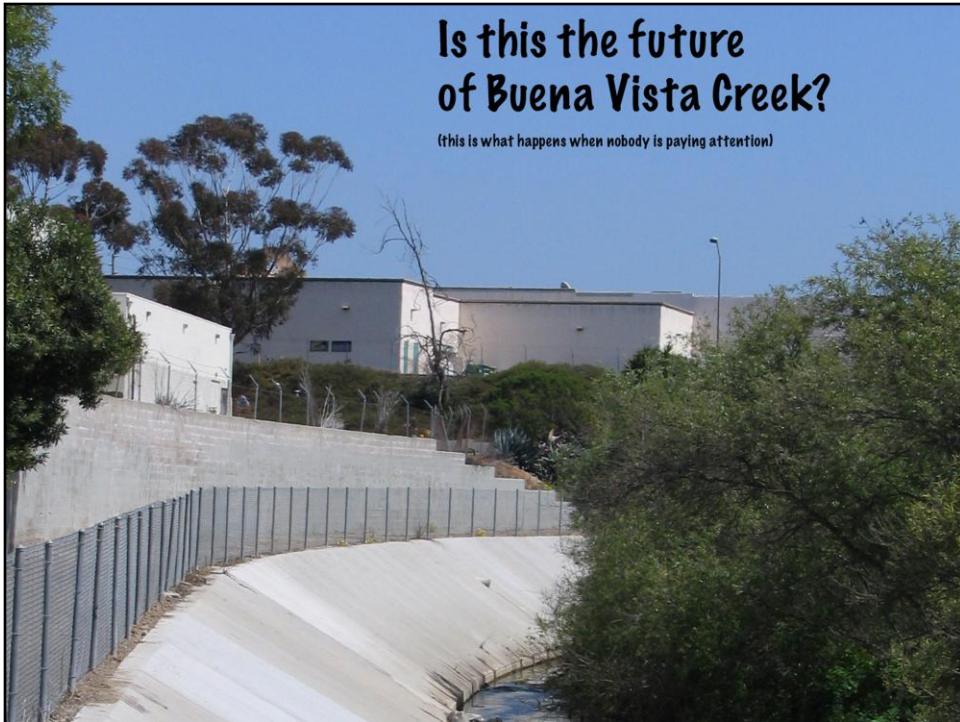


Here is another concept for this valley. This shows just a few of the 655 homes a developer proposes to build here. Instead of sitting on Shelley's porch and looking across this valley and stepping back in time hundreds of years- we will now look at hundreds of suburban homes- homes that could be anywhere. Homes that have nothing to do with the spirit of this place.



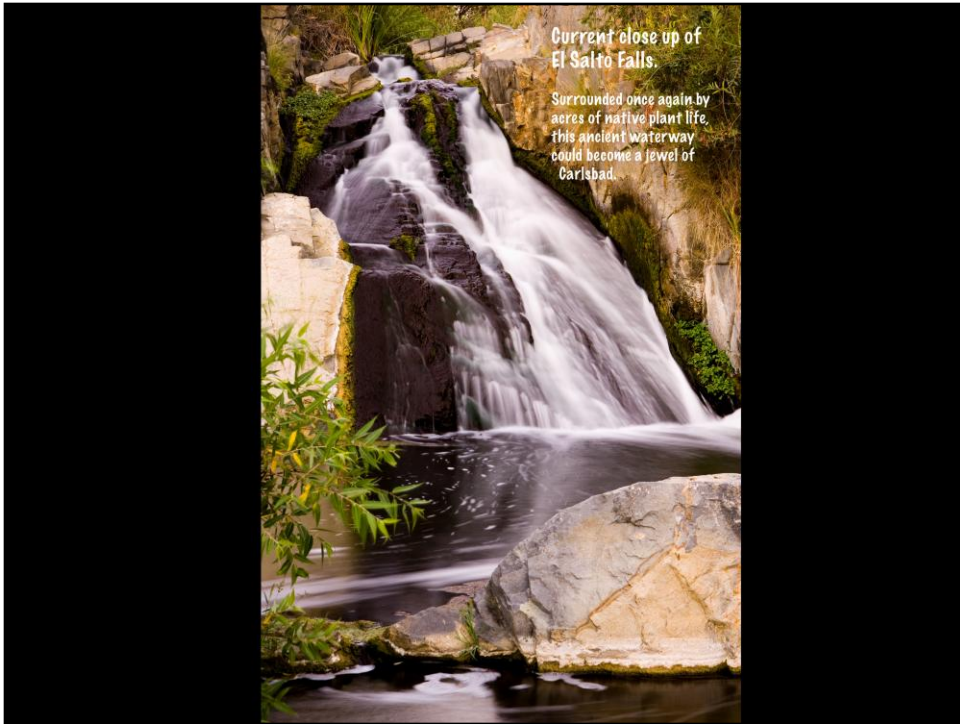
Here is how development has respected the waters of Buena Vista Creek- development built by McMillin- the same company now proposing hundreds of more homes here. On one side of the sacred waterfall we put a 40' signpost, a flood wall, and a step stone wall- all designed for one purpose- to maximize the size of development.

And what does McMillin now propose on the other side of the falls? An RV parking lot. An R V parking lot next to the sacred waterfall.



And what will happen to Buena Vista creek? Here it is just on the other side of College Blvd from this development- but what is being proposed in the valley is not much different. The creek will be placed at the bottom of a steep channel. A flood wall will be built along it. Development will come right up to the edge of the banks. The creek will be hardened with riprap. The only difference is that there will be plantings along these slopes instead of concrete.

This is not respecting the waters of Buena Vista Creek.



This is the spirit of the valley- a creek surrounded by the plants and animals that naturally live here. A very special place. A place that will be treasured by the people of north county for generations to come.