LETTERS

More open space for Carlsbad plan

I have lived in Carlsbad since 1980. In 1986 Carlsbad passed the Growth Management Plan that was supposed to ensure we would always be "a low-density residential community with 40 percent open space."

We had a vision of what we wanted our city to be. Now the new General Plan under consideration has lots of empty words about "vision." It throws out our vision. Instead we get 7,880 more residential units, over 7.5 million square feet of commercial/industrial space and 2,360 hotel rooms.

Is that your vision for Carlsbad? Is that why you moved here? Tell the mayor and City Council to put open space back in the General Plan.

Paige DeCino
Carlsbad

San Diego city earns a raspberry

A rose to Logan Jenkins ("San Diego fails again to pay its part for river park," April 20) for his raspberry to Mayor Kevin Faulconer and the city of San Diego for their failure to support the San Dieguito River Park.

The city's representatives to the river park, Sherri Lightner and Mark Kersey, whose districts include portions of the river park, have also failed to recognize the regional importance of the river park. In stark contrast to the egregious position of San Diego, all of the other members of the park's Joint Powers Authority have committed to renewing their agreement, which expires soon, and continuing their annual contribution essential for the operation of the river park.

San Diego's annual contribution of $254,000 represents less than a .00009 portion of a budget of almost $3 billion. I hope Logan Jenkins' pen will prove mightier than a terribly misguided budgetary sword, and San Diego will fully embrace the visionary and successful San Dieguito River Park.

Christopher P. Khoury
Escondido

Little water but lots of building

Given California's drought situation, I am confused by the plans to develop new housing schemes in Carlsbad/Oceanside, Fallbrook, and now in Escondido near the Safari Park.

Will we have enough water to support these plans? Can the developers guarantee the water supply? I'm trying to do my part by limiting my water usage as we've been asked but wonder what my efforts really mean in light of the future water needs that these developments will bring. Confused and concerned? You bet.

Genie Summers
Fallbrook

Coyotes keep feral cat population down

Regarding feral cats, in North County we don't have a cat problem, feral or otherwise. The resident coyotes keep the situation under control. Now if we could get the coyotes to acquire a taste for the pesky raccoons we'd be all set.

Bruce Skovmand
Vista

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