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Subject: Stop the El Segundo Plunge Renovation

Hello,

With all due respect for the facility and the considerable time and expenditure focused on renovating the Plunge, this is the wrong direction for the City of El Segundo, El Segundo High School Athletics, and the aquatics community at large. With an estimated cost of $15 million, the renovation already exceeds the price of the El Segundo/Wiseburn Aquatic Center at $13.7 million.

For 15 million dollars, El Segundo deserves to have outdoor, competition depth and instructional pools, not a costly renovation of an outdated, indoor facility. El Segundo High School swim meets and water polo games should be held in the heart of the city, where loyal fans and supporters can join them to celebrate a tradition of excellence in and out of the pool.

To properly honor Urho Saari and El Segundo's tradition of excellence in aquatics the facility should be raised and a new, outdoor facility should be built in its place that properly addresses the needs of the community.

Thank you,
Alex Strand

Hi,

My name is Matt Burton and I've been a South Bay resident my entire life. I played water polo at Mira Costa and then at USC and now with Coastal Masters in El Segundo.

The plunge is in desperate need of repair but renovating it without changing the depth is not the answer. You are wasting money to save a pool that will not meet the minimum requirements of competition.

To say pool time is hard to come by in the South Bay is a massive understatement. Please, use our tax dollars wisely and give El Segundo water polo players an adequate pool to play in.