

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am writing this because I have lots of questions and few answers. This letter is going to ask, “How can a nonprofit (CEDAPP), without a contract, without an EIR (CEQA on any project process), without it actually being a project...but just a “wishlist” of additions to the Forebay Park in Pollock Pines collect \$70,000 dollars in Private donations, grants and fundraisers? Taking money from the public on false information is fraud...in this case, I feel it is for name recognition...instead of financial. People up here that have pushed the additions and collected this stash of money probably do not understand the park has to go through an EIR and be voted on by the board of Supervisors to actually be a project. So now as the design is changing, there are some really unhappy people...but then the people who live over there feel they were not listened to at all. Many do not want these additions at all. They were happy having the bathrooms updated, parking lots surfaced, snack bar updated...and a small play area.

Starting with the timeline presented from Parks and Recreation, none of the meetings were at the actual community center in town (The Pollock Pines Camino Community Center) which I feel is the nonprofits way of once again controlling the audience (which I will leave out that argument and documentation—for now.) The Pollock Pines Camino Community Center has been working for these communities successfully for three decades.

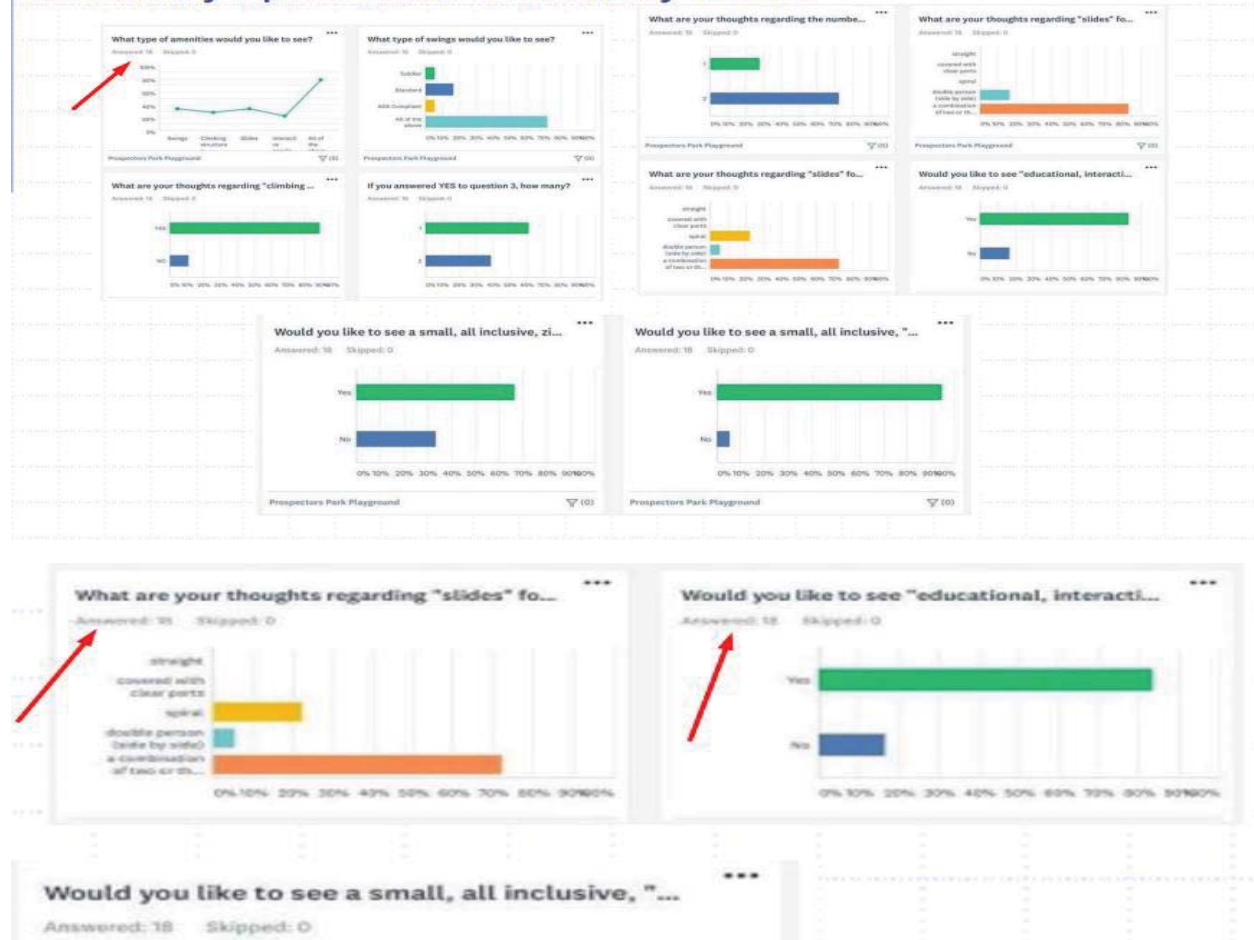
- Purchased property 2014
- Applied for Prop 68 Round 3 in 2019. Five public meeting were held for input
- Applied for Prop 68 Round 4 in 2021
- Board of Supervisors approved ARPA funding if Prop 68 grant was not funded
- Started planning process for Park in 2022
- Sent survey out (Results and survey attached to this item)
- Held first public meeting to give results from survey on May 18, 2022 at Forebay Park
- Held second meeting was held on July 27, 2022 at the Parks and Recreation Commission. Commission approved an ad-hoc committee
- Ad-hoc met-on August 3,2022 and agreed to the following layout

So, let us jump to the surveys. I have lots of material on this issue, but I am trying to save all of you time in reading. So back to the surveys.

Let us start with CEDAPPs survey. Many felt they did not even get the surveys from CEDAPP or the county...remember most felt the park was just going to be maintained and updated. I am not someone who trusts surveys in this county...and so I always enlarge the results to see all the small print. If one enlarges one of the slides (From dist.5 Parks commissioners (who happens to be the director of CEDAPP) presentation, in the upper left-hand corner, only 18 responded <--How is that a community? But this has been done before up here.

# COMMUNITY OUTREACH

A survey was posted on Pollock Pines FaceBook pages for community input. These are the survey results:



And now for the counties survey...I warned the BOS years ago about these surveys.

If one goes to the Parks and Rec file, this is where I am following and adding onto the blue links.

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Title:	Chief Administrative Office Parks Division recommending the commission approve the conceptual design for Forebay Park and recommend the Board of Supervisors approve the design and authorize the CEQA process. FUNDING:
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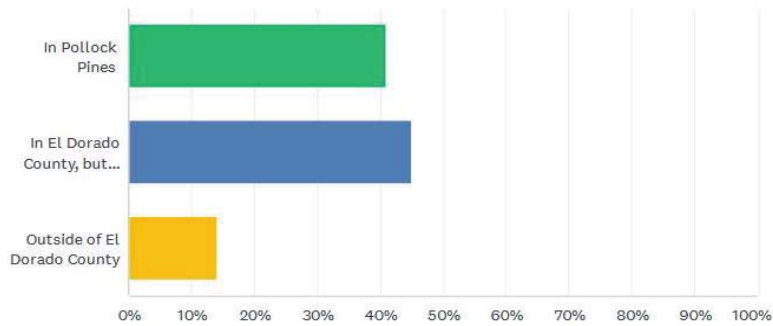
Attachments:	1. <a href="#">A- Forebay Survey</a> , 2. <a href="#">B- 20220517 Forebay Survey Results</a> , 3. <a href="#">C- 20220517 Forebay Bubble Diagram</a> , 4. <a href="#">D- 20220518 Public Outreach Meeting 1 Summary</a> , 5. <a href="#">E- 20220727 Public Outreach Meeting 2 Summary</a> , 6. <a href="#">F- 20220811 Concept Forebay Park</a> , 7. <a href="#">G- Forebay Timeline</a>
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I feel the most important slide is left out of the summary of the survey of 171 people. How do these results represent the community?

Forebay Park, El Dorado County

### Q6 Where do you live?

Answered: 171 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
→ In Pollock Pines	40.94% 70
→ In El Dorado County, but outside of Pollock Pines	45.03% 77
→ Outside of El Dorado County	14.04% 24
→ TOTAL	171

So, let's move on to the callers...on this I will just let people think...Here are the board of directors for CEDAPP. Up here people may be on several groups...Rotary, Fire council...CEDAPP. Or working different sites as "influencers" for fundraisers and donations for the forebay park.

Ginger Swigart (Rotary)

- Appreciate the Commission and County support of the project
- Loves the idea of an accessible playground
- Is a member of the Pollock Pines Rotary and the Rotary supports this project.
- Understands the purpose and benefits of a multiuse trail, also interested in the bike park.

Frank Maio (on the Board on CEDAPP)

- Remarks included slideshow, not representing CEDAPP
- Provided history of project from his experience
- Funds have been collected from community and will be donated to County for this project.
- Wants the group picnic area and playground swapped. Align the group picnic area with the snack shack
- Wants to include a bike park, not asphalt multi use trails

Jimi Scheid (One of the people who said not enough outreach was done...even mentioned that less than 1%)

- Thinks more public outreach is necessary because his prior comments aren't addressed in the design
- The area designated for disc golf is too small for a course
- Wants the bike park
- Concerns about having asphalt in the woods impacting the natural feel
- Supports the playground

Mike Conroy

- Excited about playground
- Thinks bike park is an integral part of the design
- Doesn't care about having disc golf
- Need the dog park, wants screening between dog park and residences

Becky G

- With Snowline Little League
- Suggest flipping the group picnic area and the playground for noise reasons
- Want the bike park

Ken Harper (Rotary, on CEDAPPs board, Fire protection board, Husband to Harper,)

- Wants less pavement. The more natural the better

Jose Torez (Life Partner to Stephanie Solorio on the CEDAPP Board)

- Volunteers with the little league
- Wants this process to go faster, having a playground is vital for the community
- Wants basketball

Karina F (On the board of CEDAPP, and a Facebook influencer for the park.)

- Wants community playground
- Add more picnic areas
- More green areas less paved
- No asphalt on trail
- Wants this to happen faster

Sherry Hawk

- Want the bike park
- Want this to happen now

Genevieve (works the park for CEDAPP as an influencer on Facebook.)

- Playground is very important
- Wants to ensure the playground is adequately sized
- Supports the bike park

Cindy Ward

- Love the idea of a park
- Is concerned about noise, swap the playground and group picnic area
- Loves pickleball, wants four courts.
- Get rid of disc golf
- Bike park is a real plus
- More picnic areas

Karen Duncan

- In support of playground
- Want the pump track back in the design
- Natural trails
- Worried about disc golf being safety concern
- Wants picnic tables

Stephanie Solorio (On the CEDAPP Board)

- Love the idea of a park
- In support of dog park
- Want bike pump track
- Already have walking trail around the lake
- No disc golf
- Wants basketball court
- Swap playground and picnic area
- Multiple pickleball courts
- Likes virtual and after hours meetings

Gail Strong

- Pro pickleball court, wants 2-3. Thinks it should be further from houses due to sound
- 1850s themed playground
- Supports bike pump track including an area for younger kids
- No disc golf

So how did a nonprofit get to decide what is going on the property, collect \$70,000 dollars when there is no project voted on by the board of supervisors? Buy exercise equipment for \$20,000 (I believe \$10,000 is from an ARPP grant.) and store it with the county? It is interesting to watch the meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup> of July 2022. From the file posted above the next meeting is on 8/18/2022.



Pollock Pines Pete

June 19 · 🌐



The tote board climbs a little bit more...





There are several sites collected money, promoting the park...and people think that CEDAPP is in partnership with the county. here are a few...also certain board members push off their own sites.

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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/300566871269108/>

I am going to leave it here for now, but I am confused on why CEDAPP is deciding on a Community Park (which goes back a long time...and there is documentation on that as well from the Parks and rec master plan where only 9 people knew to participate.) the following was put up days ago..." Done?" is this board member thinking they do not have to get the vote of the BOS? Or am I missing something?

Discussion Featured Topics People Media Files

"Time's a-wastin" so this survey will only be available until November 30th.  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TBTTLKV>

**SurveyMonkey**

**SURVEYMONKEY.COM**  
**Prospectors Park Playground**  
Take this survey powered by surveymonkey.com. Create your own surveys for free.

7 5 Comments 4 Shares Seen by 93

Like Comment Share

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**Steven Rounds**  
We desperately need a Dog Park within this complex...I have to drive to Cameron Park currently.  
Like Reply Share 5d

**Stephanie Solorio**  
Done!  
Like Reply Share 5d

One last comment, aside from insulting the Pollock Pines Camino Community Center by calling the small building on Forebay a community center... There is not enough room for what harper wants... For the last event of National Night Out...people parked wherever they wanted. Many on dry grass... A few of the supporters of all these additions live in Gold Ridge—they have a play area and a pool...

So many flyers calling out CEDAPPs name...shaking head...she said at the 27<sup>th</sup> meeting it wasn't about CEDAPP...really?

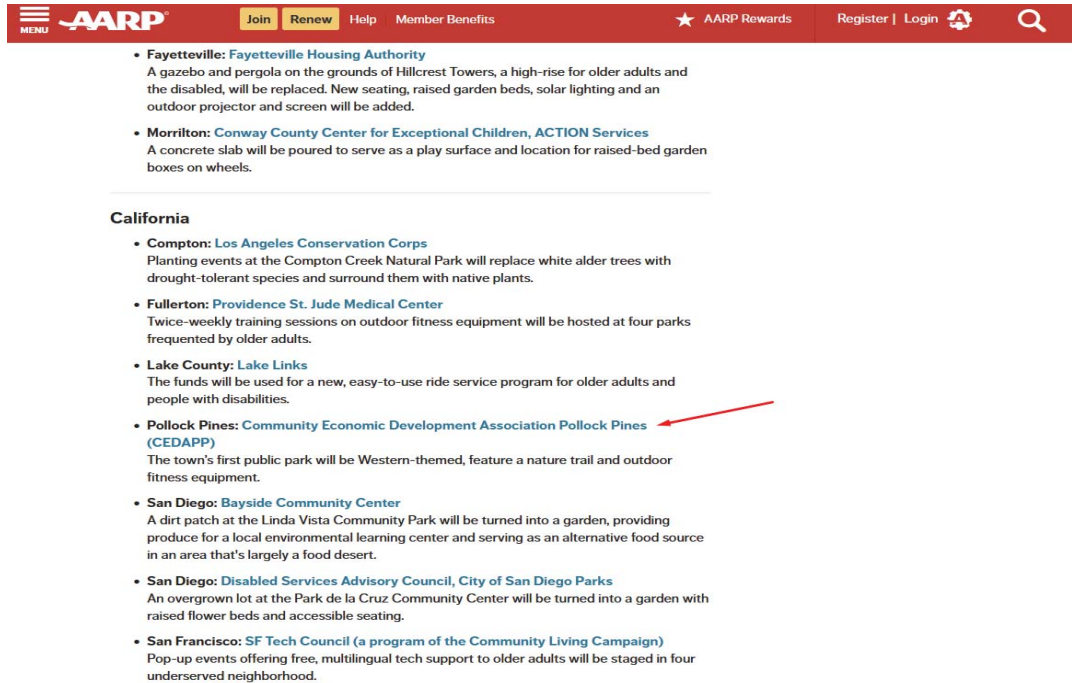
Thank you for your attention. Misleading the public for funds is fraud... but I honestly do not think the groups working with her understood that. I also thought it was a law that a local government could not take donations from the public...interesting question about boundaries...and allowing people to think that CEDAPPS partner is El dorado County Board itself.

## **WE'VE ALREADY STARTED!**

- **COMMITMENT**
- **PLANNING**
- **PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANCE**
- **APPLYING FOR GRANTS**
- **FUNDRAISING**
- **COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS**
- **COUNTY PARTNERSHIP**



I hope the BOS does not put this through for many reasons...more investigation is needed. I was told if it does not go through by a certain date...CEDAPP will lose one of the grants. I feel that jumping the gun on grants for a "wishlist" may have taken the needed funds away from a group that had finished the whole process. This is already a park...the rest is additions to a park.



The screenshot shows the AARP website's grant listings. The header includes the AARP logo, navigation links (Join, Renew, Help, Member Benefits), and user options (AARP Rewards, Register | Login, a notification bell, and a search icon). Below the header, there are two main sections of grant projects. The first section lists projects in Fayetteville and Morrilton. The second section, titled 'California', lists projects in Compton, Fullerton, Lake County, Pollock Pines, San Diego, and San Francisco. A red arrow points to the 'Pollock Pines' entry.

- **Fayetteville:** [Fayetteville Housing Authority](#)  
A gazebo and pergola on the grounds of Hillcrest Towers, a high-rise for older adults and the disabled, will be replaced. New seating, raised garden beds, solar lighting and an outdoor projector and screen will be added.
- **Morrilton:** [Conway County Center for Exceptional Children, ACTION Services](#)  
A concrete slab will be poured to serve as a play surface and location for raised-bed garden boxes on wheels.

**California**

- **Compton:** [Los Angeles Conservation Corps](#)  
Planting events at the Compton Creek Natural Park will replace white alder trees with drought-tolerant species and surround them with native plants.
- **Fullerton:** [Providence St. Jude Medical Center](#)  
Twice-weekly training sessions on outdoor fitness equipment will be hosted at four parks frequented by older adults.
- **Lake County:** [Lake Links](#)  
The funds will be used for a new, easy-to-use ride service program for older adults and people with disabilities.
- **Pollock Pines:** [Community Economic Development Association Pollock Pines \(CEDAPP\)](#)  
The town's first public park will be Western-themed, feature a nature trail and outdoor fitness equipment.
- **San Diego:** [Bayside Community Center](#)  
A dirt patch at the Linda Vista Community Park will be turned into a garden, providing produce for a local environmental learning center and serving as an alternative food source in an area that's largely a food desert.
- **San Diego:** [Disabled Services Advisory Council, City of San Diego Parks](#)  
An overgrown lot at the Park de la Cruz Community Center will be turned into a garden with raised flower beds and accessible seating.
- **San Francisco:** [SF Tech Council \(a program of the Community Living Campaign\)](#)  
Pop-up events offering free, multilingual tech support to older adults will be staged in four underserved neighborhood.

Thank you for reading, I do have a lot of material on the subject...going back to the 26 acres we told we would get, a supervisor thinking that just in case they could put the park in the back of the old school and lease the front for a community center...and moving forward.

Thank you,

Fran DuChamp