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Comments: I urge you to protect Piru Creek's free-flowing character and "outstandingly remarkable" values, as required by law. Recreation opportunities and support of several threatened and endangered wildlife species are important features of this area. Expanding protection of Piru Creek by recognizing its many natural and cultural values would be a benefit to the area and surrounding communities.

For example, the stream offers a rare opportunity in southern California for class III-V whitewater kayaking and catch and release trout fishing. In addition, Frenchman's Flat on the recreation segment of the creek is a popular low-cost swimming destination for local communities. It is, further, a scenic respite in the northern LA area. These benefits should not be overlooked in the Plan and Resources Report.