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Since I may not be able to attend the meeting on Oct 14th, can you please see that this letter is distributed to all City Council members? Thank you very much.

>>> Mike McGrath 10/07/08 8:41 AM >>>

Gary: As a resident of Alamitos Heights, a member of FOCL, and a frequent user of our city's beaches, I strongly urge that the plan to connect the Colorado Lagoon to Marine Stadium by way of an open channel be adopted, and allowed to proceed. Just this morning, I looked at Heal the Bay's water quality report card for the lagoon. Of the three tested locations, one was rated "C", and the north shore earned a "D" grade. All other beaches in the City got "A's". A very small group of soccer dad's want to defeat the open channel solution and suggest the building of another underground culvert parallel to the existing one! This makes no sense! The filling in of the area between the lagoon and Marine Stadium and the construction of the first culvert was what restricted the flow and caused the degradation of water quality to begin with. Who's to say the second wouldn't eventually become clogged and we'd be right back to where we are now. Please don't let a tiny minority highjack this project that we have worked so hard on for so many years. Thank you.

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