

Ode to Lent Ranch (Fashion Mall)

Oh! Oh! Farewell to thee, alluvial clay and sand
Having since been removed by impatient human hand
Tarry not to celebrate that which has lived and thrived before
It has been paved, transformed into concrete macadam floor

Get in your car, and drive too far
Come spend your cash, create some trash
Wave flags unfurled, be proud first-world
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Technique and modern plan assure it shall not return
Being only flora, fauna the ecos justly spurned
By eloquent legal dicta, announcement and decision
It can be said, you've turned her head, earned Mother Nature's derision

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To the egrets and the shrimp that we once safely worshiped
Are now discarded and supplanted with what? A frilly bodice!
Presently overflowing their wire and plastic frames
They're advertized to entertain. Join in the consumer games

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Friends are surely jealous that you have such a place
Nearby as an amenity; Nearby, not outer space
Now it's your decision, now it's up to you
Do you love the furry creatures; or do you prefer your fur dyed blue?

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Michael Monasky, 1999

46. Letter from Michael Monasky, dated 1999, presented to City at November 30, 2000, Planning Commission Hearing

Response 1

This comment is acknowledged. Because it does not address the content of the Draft EIR, no further response is required.