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**Seek quarry, park**

The Temecula City Council has approved the annexation of 4,500 acres of unprofitable, undeveloped hilly land adjacent to the proposed Liberty Quarry site in spite of the \$3.29 million hole in its budget, having to cut police overtime and leave unfilled jobs vacant ("Temecula OKs budget," Feb. 24).

The only reason for the annexation is to continue to contest the quarry. If Temecula partnered with a large company like Granite, it could consider the development of a regional park like Mission Trails in San Diego where, surrounding a quarry, there are hiking trails, a lake, camping areas and a visitor center.

This would result in well-paying real jobs for our citizens which we desperately need.

Contrary to what is said by radical environmentalists who think all private industry is evil and government should have total control over our lives and property, Granite has gone beyond meeting all the environmental requirements in its plans for a quarry and will be a very good neighbor to the citizens of Temecula.

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