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I am unable to find information relating to the total ground surface destruction associated with the two collection systems - STEP and gravity.

I believe that information would show a far greater amount of ground disturbance associated with the construction of STEP with consequent adverse effect on biology including the destruction of trees and bushes which provide animal habitat (nesting creatures, snails, etc.). A walk through the neighborhoods of Los Osos with our small lot sizes would quickly show that there are a large number of properties contain trees and bushes that would either need to be removed or would suffer major damage to their root systems.

Thank you,

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