



# San Diego Archers



April 13, 2011

Dear Mayor Sanders,

I am writing today on behalf of the San Diego Archers to state our opposition to the proposed bypass bridge at the east end of the Cabrillo Bridge.

The San Diego Archers have been an active organization in Balboa since our inception in 1938. We are the third oldest archery club in the United States of America. We have operated the Rube Powell Archery Range in Balboa Park for over 50 years and are a cultural and historical resource. It is one of the last remaining public field archery ranges in Southern California, and is maintained for public use of all archers by the San Diego Archers, a 501 (c) (3) public charity.

The Rube Powell Archery Range is an extremely popular community resource used by over 1600 archers each month. Both the Club and Range are open to the public and are non-exclusive.

Balboa Park in general and the Cabrillo Bridge in particular are regional assets of great historic and cultural value to the people of San Diego. The proposed bypass option for the Plaza de Panama project would cause a total disruption if not terminal effect on the San Diego Archers and Rube Powell Archery Range. Please consider the various alternatives to this project, rather than marring the iconic entrance to Balboa Park.

The San Diego Archers oppose the proposed bypass bridge.

Sincerely,

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President, San Diego Archers