

**EXHIBIT 3**  
***LETTERS OF SUPPORT***

Gayle B. Uilkema, *Chair*, Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors

Lynne C. Leach, *Assemblymember*, Fifteenth District, California Legislature

Steve Cochrane, *Program Manager*, San Francisco Estuary Project

Daniel M. Smith, *Superintendent*, Liberty Union High School District

J. Douglas Adams, *Superintendent*, Brentwood Union High School

Michael A. McPoland, *Mayor*, City of Brentwood

Velma E. Gonzalez, *President*, Delta Informal Gardeners

Nicole Kozicki, *Warden*, California Department of Fish and Game

Claire Lamb, *Horticulture Instructor*, La Paloma High School

Pat O'Brien, *General Manager*, East Bay Regional Park District

Lenny Byer, *President*, Ironhouse Sanitary District Board of Directors

Tom Torlakson, *Senator*, Seventh Senatorial District, California State Senate

Craig Downs, *General Manager*, Contra Costa Mosquito and Vector Control District

Brad Nix, *Mayor*, City of Oakley

# The Board of Supervisors

County Administration Building  
651 Pine Street, Room 106  
Martinez, California 94553-1293

**John Gioia**, 1st District  
**Gayle B. Uilkema**, 2nd District  
**Donna Gerber**, 3rd District  
**Mark DeSaulnier**, 4th District  
**Federal D. Glover**, 5th District

Contra  
Costa  
County



September 24, 2001

**John Sweeten**  
Clerk of the Board  
and  
County Administrator  
(925) 335-1900

Patrick Wright, Director  
CALFED  
1416 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 115  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mr. Wright:

The Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors, as the Governing Board of the Contra Costa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, offers its support for the Big Break and Marsh Creek Water Quality and Habitat Restoration Program application. The District has general watershed information, including recent Orthophotos of the County that we will supply for the planning effort, as in kind assistance. The County Clean Water Program is currently involved in the Marsh Creek Watershed Study planning effort, and is interested in studies and work that will improve water quality in both the Big Break and Marsh Creek watersheds. The County Clean Water Program is working to increase public knowledge of our local watersheds to determine appropriate ways of improving water quality. Staff from the Flood Control and Water Conservation District has been actively pursuing numerous restoration projects and partnerships throughout the County and looks forward to working closely with the other partners of this project.

The Board of Supervisors would also like to thank the Coastal Conservancy, the San Francisco Foundation, the Switzer Foundation, the Delta Science Center, Natural Heritage Institute and the Contra Costa County Resource Conservation District for their efforts to initiate this program and work toward securing a funding source to enable this type of restoration project to be considered.

If you or your staff have any questions, or desire additional information, please contact Steve Wright at (925) 313-2259.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gayle B. Uilkema".

Gayle B. Uilkema  
Chair

SW:sjw  
G:\GrpData\FldCtl\Kemigh\Big Break and Marsh Creek Grant support letter.doc

c: Members, Board of Supervisors  
D. Eckerson, Flood Control  
K. Emigh, Flood Control  
S. Wright, County Clean Water Program  
J. Robins, Natural Heritage Institute  
2140 Shattuck Ave., 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Berkeley, CA 94704

STATE CAPITOL  
P.O. BOX 942849  
SACRAMENTO, CA 94249-0015  
(916) 319-2015  
FAX (916) 319-2115

DISTRICT OFFICES  
800 S. BROADWAY, STE. 304  
WALNUT CREEK, CA 94596  
(925) 988-6900  
FAX (925) 988-6922  
71 TREVARNO ROAD, STE. 201  
LIVERMORE, CA 94550  
(925) 447-8340  
734 3<sup>RD</sup> STREET  
BRENTWOOD, CA 94513  
(925) 513-8558  
FAX (925) 850-0773

Assembly  
California Legislature

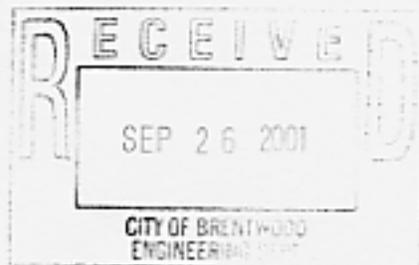


LYNNE C. LEACH  
ASSEMBLYMEMBER, FIFTEENTH DISTRICT

VICE CHAIR:  
EDUCATION

MEMBER:  
AGING & LONG TERM CARE  
BUSINESS & PROFESSIONS  
TRANSPORTATION  
JOINT COMMITTEE TO DEVELOP A  
MASTER PLAN FOR EDUCATION  
JOINT LEGISLATIVE AUDIT  
SELECT COMMITTEE ON  
SCHOOL SAFETY

September 21, 2001



Patrick Wright, Director  
CalFed Bay-Delta Program  
1416 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1311  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mr. Wright:

I would like to express my support for the Big Break and Marsh Creek Water Quality and Habitat Restoration Program submitted by the Delta Science Center in collaboration with the City of Brentwood.

Big Break is the third largest tidal marsh in the legal Delta and provides habitat for numerous native aquatic species. Marsh Creek and its tributaries originate on Mt. Diablo and flow through the rapidly urbanizing cities of Brentwood, Oakley and Antioch before emptying into the western Delta at Big Break.

With CalFed support and the strong community support which we currently enjoy, Big Break and Marsh Creek could be restored into healthy riparian and aquatic habitat for numerous special status species.

Due to rapid urbanization of the area, without funding Big Break and Marsh Creek are at great risk of irreversible degradation from residential and commercial development and the inevitable associated water quality and habitat impacts.

Again, I am very supportive of efforts to secure funding through CalFed for the protection and restoration of water quality and riparian and aquatic habitats of Big Break and Marsh Creek. Your favorable consideration of the proposal would be most appreciated.

Sincerely,

Lynne C. Leach  
Assemblywoman, 15<sup>th</sup> District



# San Francisco Estuary Project

1515 Clay Street • Suite 1400  
Oakland, CA 94612-1413  
510.622.2465  
Fax: 510.622.2501

September 19, 2001

Patrick Wright  
Director of CalFed Bay Delta Program  
1416 Ninth Street, Ste 1311  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mr. Wright:

The San Francisco Estuary Project would like to express our support for the Big Break and Marsh Creek Water Quality and Habitat Restoration Program submitted by the State Coastal Conservancy in collaboration with the Delta Science Center and the Cities of Brentwood and Oakley. Big Break is the third largest tidal marsh in the legal Delta and provides habitat for numerous native aquatic species. Marsh Creek and its tributaries originate on Mt. Diablo and flow through the rapidly urbanizing cities of Brentwood, Oakley and Antioch before emptying into the western Delta at Big Break. There is a need to protect and enhance Big Break and Marsh Creek in order to conserve a valuable, non-replaceable resource for the benefit of present and future generations. We agree that educating and involving local people in scientific monitoring, restoration designs, and plant propagation activities will be an invaluable tool for guaranteeing the long-term success of the goals outlined in this proposal.

The San Francisco Estuary Project/Friends of the Estuary is specifically interested in the native plant nursery component of the proposal. We have been involving students in native plant propagation since 1995. Our Creek Keepers program in Richmond/San Pablo is a model that can be replicated in other CALFED projects for habitat restoration and community involvement. Our experience with this type of program includes youth recruitment, training and leadership as well as knowledge of native plant propagation techniques. We propose to use our current students from Richmond High to train students in east county about their native plant resources and propagation techniques.

Again, The San Francisco Estuary Project is very supportive of efforts to secure funding through CALFED for the protection and restoration of water quality and the riparian and aquatic habitats of Big Break and Marsh Creek. We urge you to give this project your favorable consideration.

Sincerely,



Steve Cochrane  
San Francisco Estuary Project  
Friends of the Estuary



Celebrating a Century of Pride

# Liberty Union High School District

20 Oak Street

Brentwood, CA 94513

Phone: (925) 634-2166 Fax (925) 634-1687

Daniel M. Smith, Superintendent

September 14, 2001

Mr. Patrick Wright  
Director  
CALFED Bay-Delta Program  
1416 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1311  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**SUBJECT:** CALFED Ecosystem Restoration Program  
Big Break and Marsh Creek Water Quality and Habitat Restoration Proposal

Dear Mr. Wright,

Please accept this letter as support for the Big Break and Marsh Creek Water Quality and Habitat Restoration Program submitted by the California State Coastal Conservancy in collaboration with the Delta Science Center, the City of Brentwood and the Natural Heritage Institute. Big Break is the third largest tidal marsh in the legal Delta and provides a habitat for numerous native aquatic species. Marsh Creek and its tributaries originate on Mt. Diablo and flow through the rapidly urbanizing cities of Brentwood, Oakley and Antioch before emptying into the western Delta at Big Break. There is an urgent need to protect and enhance Big Break and Marsh Creek in order to conserve a valuable, non-replaceable resource for the benefit of present and future generations.

The Liberty Union High School District is supportive of efforts to secure funding through CALFED for the protection and restoration of water quality and the riparian and aquatic habitats of Big Break and Marsh Creek. We urge you to give this project your favorable consideration.

Sincerely,

Daniel M. Smith  
Superintendent

DMS:llw

# BRENTWOOD UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

---

J. DOUGLAS ADAMS, SUPERINTENDENT

BRENTWOOD  
SCHOOL  
925-634-3408

September 17, 2001

GARIN SCHOOL  
925-634-5252

LOMA VISTA  
ELEMENTARY  
925-240-0642

Patrick Wright, Director  
CALFED Bay-Delta Program  
1416 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1311  
Sacramento, CA 95814

RON NUNN  
SCHOOL  
925-516-0131

EDNA HILL  
SCHOOL  
925-634-3548

Subject: CALFED Ecosystem Restoration Program  
Big Break/Marsh Creek Water Quality & Habitat Restoration Proposal

BRISTOW MIDDLE  
SCHOOL  
925-516-8720

Dear Mr. Wright:

I would like to express my support for the Big Break and Marsh Creek Water Quality and Habitat Restoration Program submitted by the California State Coastal Conservancy in collaboration with the Delta Science Center, the City of Brentwood and the Natural Heritage Institute. Big Break is the third largest tidal marsh in the legal Delta and provides habitat for numerous native aquatic species. Marsh Creek and its tributaries originate on Mt. Diablo and flow through the rapidly urbanizing cities of Brentwood, Oakley and Antioch before emptying into the western Delta at Big Break. There is an urgent need to protect and enhance Big Break and Marsh Creek in order to conserve a valuable, non-replaceable resource for the benefit of present and future generations.

The Brentwood Union School District is very supportive of efforts to secure funding through CALFED for the protection and restoration of water quality and the riparian and aquatic habitats of Big Break and Marsh Creek. We urge you to give this project your favorable consideration.

Sincerely,



J. Douglas Adams  
Superintendent

255 GUTHRIE LANE  
BRENTWOOD, CA  
94513

925-634-1168  
925-634-8583 FAX



September 14, 2001

Patrick Wright, Director  
CALFED Bay-Delta Program  
1416 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1311  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**SUBJECT: CALFED Ecosystem Restoration Program  
Big Break and Marsh Creek Water Quality and Habitat Restoration Proposal**

Dear Mr. Wright:

The City of Brentwood would like to express our support for the Big Break and Marsh Creek Water Quality and Habitat Restoration Program submitted to you by the California State Coastal Conservancy in collaboration with the Delta Science Center, the City of Brentwood and the Natural Heritage Institute. Marsh Creek and its tributaries flow through the center of the rapidly urbanizing cities of Brentwood, Antioch and Oakley before emptying into the western Delta at Big Break. There is an urgent need to protect and enhance Big Break and Marsh Creek in order to conserve a valuable, non-replaceable resource for the benefit of present and future generations.

Enhancement and restoration of Marsh Creek and Big Break will not only provide habitat for numerous aquatic species but will greatly enhance the quality of life for our residents and visitors. Again, we are very supportive of efforts to secure funding through CALFED for the protection and restoration of water quality and the riparian and aquatic habitats of Big Break and Marsh Creek. We would like to take this opportunity to urge CALFED to contribute funding assistance to this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Michael A. McPoland". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Michael A. McPoland  
Mayor

September 13, 2001

Patrick Wright  
Director of CalFed Bay Delta Program  
1416 ninth Street, Ste 1311  
Sacramento, CA 95814

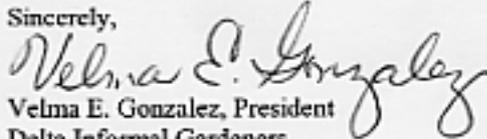
Dear Mr. Wright:

The Delta Informal Gardeners (DIG) is a group of people in the Brentwood--Oakley--Antioch--Byron areas who have the purpose of beautifying the community. We would like to express our support for the Big Break and Marsh Creek Water Quality and Habitat Restoration Program submitted by the State Coastal Conservancy in collaboration with the Delta Science Center and the cities of Brentwood and Oakley. Big Break is the third largest tidal marsh in the legal Delta and provides habitat for numerous native aquatic species. Marsh Creek and its tributaries originate on Mt. Diablo and flow through the rapidly urbanizing cities of Brentwood, Oakley and Antioch before emptying into the western Delta at Big Break. There is a need to protect and enhance Big Break and Marsh Creek in order to conserve a valuable, non-replaceable resource for the benefit of present and future generations. We agree that educating and involving local people in scientific monitoring, restoration designs, and plant propagation activities will be an invaluable tool for guaranteeing the long-term success of the goals outlined in this proposal.

DIG is specially interested in the native plant nursery component of the proposal as our members are available to help train local students and teachers in plant propagation techniques.

Again, the Delta Informal Gardeners are very supportive of efforts to secure funding through CALFED for the protection and restoration of water quality and the riparian and aquatic habitats of Big Break and Marsh Creek. We urge you to give this project your favorable consideration.

Sincerely,



Velma E. Gonzalez, President  
Delta Informal Gardeners  
P.O. Box 66  
Brentwood, CA 94513  
925-634-3521 x 5559 work phone



DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

<http://www.dfg.ca.gov>  
POST OFFICE BOX 47  
YOUNTVILLE, CALIFORNIA 94599  
(707) 944-5500



September 14, 2001

Patrick Wright, Director  
CALFED Bay-Delta Program  
1416 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1311  
Sacramento, CA 95814

SUBJECT: CALFED Ecosystem Restoration Program  
Big Break and Marsh Creek Water Quality and Habitat Restoration Proposal

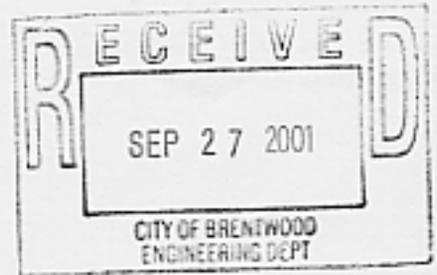
Dear Mr. Wright:

I would like to express my support for the Big Break and Marsh Creek Water Quality and Habitat Restoration Program submitted by the California State Coastal Conservancy in collaboration with the Delta Science Center, the City of Brentwood and the Natural Heritage Institute. Big Break is the third largest tidal marsh in the legal Delta and provides habitat for numerous native aquatic species. Marsh Creek and its tributaries originate on Mt. Diablo and flow through the rapidly urbanizing cities of Brentwood, Oakley and Antioch before emptying into the western Delta at Big Break. There is an urgent need to protect and enhance Big Break and Marsh Creek in order to conserve a valuable, non-replaceable resource for the benefit of present and future generations.

The California Department of Fish and Game is very supportive of efforts to secure funding through CALFED for the protection and restoration of water quality and the riparian and aquatic habitats of Big Break and Marsh Creek. We urge you to give this project your favorable consideration.

Sincerely,

Nicole Kozicki, Warden  
California Department of Fish and Game



September 13, 2001

Patrick Wright, Director  
CALFED Bay-Delta Program  
1416 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1311  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**SUBJECT: CALFED Ecosystem Restoration Program  
Big Break and Marsh Creek Water Quality and Habitat Restoration Proposal**

Dear Mr. Wright:

I would like to express my support for the Big Break and Marsh Creek Water Quality and Habitat Restoration Program submitted by the Delta Science Center in collaboration with the City of Brentwood. Big Break is the third largest tidal marsh in the legal Delta and provides habitat for numerous native aquatic species. Marsh Creek and its tributaries originate on Mt. Diablo and flow through the rapidly urbanizing cities of Brentwood, Oakley and Antioch before emptying into the western Delta at Big Break. There is an urgent need to protect and enhance Big Break and Marsh Creek in order to conserve a valuable, non-replaceable resource for the benefit of present and future generations.

La Paloma High School is very supportive of efforts to secure funding through CALFED for the protection and restoration of water quality and the riparian and aquatic habitats of Big Break and Marsh Creek. We urge you to give this project your favorable consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Claire Lamb".

Clare Lamb  
Horticulture Instructor



September 26, 2001

Patrick Wright Director  
CALFED Bay-Delta Program  
1416 Ninth Street #1155  
Sacramento CA 95814

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

*John Sutter*  
President  
Ward 2  
*Ayn Wieskamp*  
Vice-President  
Ward 5  
*Ted Radke*  
Treasurer  
Ward 7  
*Doug Siden*  
Secretary  
Ward 4  
*Beverly Lane*  
Ward 6  
*Carol Severin*  
Ward 3  
*Jean Siri*  
Ward 1

*Pat O'Brien*  
General Manager

Dear Mr. Wright:

The East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD) strongly supports the proposal to CALFED titled "Big Break and Marsh Creek Water Quality and Habitat Restoration." The State Coastal Conservancy, serving as the lead agency for this proposal, has worked with The Delta Science Center, Natural Heritage Institute, and the EBRPD to build a coalition of government, scientists and local stakeholders working together on resource issues at Big Break and in the Marsh Creek watershed. As you know, the EBRPD is a significant landowner and manager in the western Delta and its environs. Partnerships, including those outlined in this proposal, allow the EBRPD to share its own expertise, gain additional expertise and above all, reach out to the communities who use and support parks. On this particular project we will promote cooperative efforts relating to issues and permits when work involves EBRPD lands to accomplish project objectives.

Good work has already been accomplished in the region by this partnership, setting the stage for continued CALFED support focused on water quality and biological monitoring, in-ground restorations, and a much needed education component. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Pat O'Brien  
General Manager

cc: Steve Barbata, Delta Science Center



FAX  
(925) 625-0169



**IRONHOUSE SANITARY DISTRICT**  
450 Walnut Meadows Drive • P.O. Box 1105 • Oakley, CA 94561

Telephone  
(925) 625-2279

September 24, 2001

Patrick Wright, Director  
CALFED Bay-Delta Program  
1416 Ninth Street, #1155  
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: **BIG BREAK AND MARSH CREEK WATER QUALITY  
AND HABITAT RESTORATION PROPOSAL**

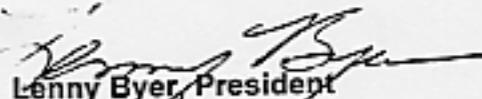
Dear Mr. Wright:

The Ironhouse Sanitary District (ISD) supports the CALFED proposal titled "Big Break and Marsh Creek Water Quality and Habitat Restoration". ISD has worked with the Delta Science Center (DSC) and the Natural Heritage Institute (NHI) to plan, design and permit restoration of lower Marsh Creek on ISD property. It is a good plan that meets many CALFED restoration goals and demonstrates ISD's commitment to manage its lands for the benefit of our customers and their immediate environment.

The proposal proponents are continuing to work with our engineers and legal counsel to assure that the project keeps ISD and our operations whole and does not interfere with our responsibility of processing wastewater now and into the future. This exchange is ongoing and it is our intention to resolve all details and contingencies by early December 2001.

Your support of this proposal would validate our efforts to-date and bring the possibility of implementation to reality. Thank you.

Sincerely,

  
Lenny Byer, President  
Board of Directors  
IRONHOUSE SANITARY DISTRICT

TW:jt\wp8\  
isd\CALFED.01

cc: Steve Barbata, Delta Science Center  
chron file

STATE CAPITOL  
ROOM 2068  
SACRAMENTO, CA 95814  
TEL (916) 445-6083  
FAX (916) 445-2527

# California State Senate

SENATOR  
**TOM TORLAKSON**  
SEVENTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT



DISTRICT OFFICES  
2801 CONCORD BOULEVARD  
CONCORD, CA 94519  
TEL (925) 602-6593  
FAX (925) 602-6598

JOINT GOVERNMENT CENTER  
420 WEST 3RD STREET  
ANTIOCH, CA 94509  
TEL (925) 754-1461  
FAX (925) 778-5174

DUBLIN SATELLITE OFFICE  
100 CIVIC PLAZA  
DUBLIN, CA 94568  
TEL (925) 560-6830  
FAX (925) 329-7318

STANDING COMMITTEES

LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
CHAIR

SELECT COMMITTEES

BAY AREA INFRASTRUCTURE  
CHAIR

September 26, 2001

Patrick Wright, Executive Director  
CALFED Bay-Delta Program  
1416 Ninth Street, #1155  
Sacramento, CA 95814

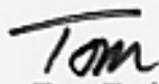
Dear Mr. <sup>Patrick</sup>Wright:

I am writing in strong support of the California State Coastal Conservancy's proposal to CALFED for the "Big Break and Marsh Creek Water Quality and Habitat Restoration Program." As you know, the Coastal Conservancy, Delta Science Center, and Natural Heritage Institute are building an impressive collaboration of Delta specialists and local stakeholders to work on research, restoration and education issues at Big Break in the western Delta.

As a founding member of The Delta Science Center, I have monitored their progress closely. I authored amendments to secure \$4 million for Center funding in the bonds approved by voters in Propositions 12 and 13. Working together, the Coastal Conservancy, Delta Science Center and Natural Heritage Institute promise CALFED an integrated approach to conduct needed water quality and biological monitoring, to restore lower Marsh Creek, and to fully involve local communities, students and agencies in the process.

Thank you for your careful consideration of this proposal. Please call me if you would like to discuss this project or any other matter.

Sincerely,

  
Tom Torlakson



# CONTRA COSTA MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT

155 MASON CIRCLE ■ CONCORD, CA 94520 ■ (925) 685-9301 ■ FAX: 685-0266

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

PRESIDENT  
*Tim McDonough*  
PINOLE

GENERAL MANAGER  
*Craig Downs*

VICE PRESIDENT  
*Jeanette Mahoney*  
RICHMOND

September 17, 2001

SECRETARY  
*H. Richard Mank*  
EL CERRITO

Patrick Wright, Director  
CALFED Bay-Delta Program  
1416 Ninth Street, #1155  
Sacramento, CA 95814

ANTIOCH  
*John Hall*

BRENTWOOD  
*Jon Elam*

Dear Mr. Wright:

CLAYTON  
*Ronald Tervelt*

The Contra Costa Mosquito and Vector Control District would like to express their support for the Big Break and Marsh Creek Water Quality and Habitat Restoration Program submitted by the California State Coastal Conservancy in collaboration with the Delta Science Center, the City of Brentwood and the Natural Heritage Institute. As a Board member representative of The Delta Science Center (DSC), we are familiar and involved with the comprehensive work being done at Big Break and the Marsh Creek watershed. This proposal, organized by the State Coastal Conservancy, DSC, and Natural Heritage Institute provides needed water quality and biological monitoring for a range of restoration projects in development.

CONCORD  
*Earl Mortenson*

CONTRA COSTA CO.  
*Russ Belleci*  
*Heather LeRoy*  
*Jim Pluckney*

DANVILLE  
*David Jameson, Ph.D.*

HERCULES  
*Johnny Poon*

The Contra Costa Mosquito and Vector Control District is very supportive of efforts to secure funding through CALFED for the protection and restoration of water quality and the riparian and aquatic habitats of Big Break and Marsh Creek. We will assist in our areas of expertise to protect the community and enhance the science, design and management of these long-term public benefit projects. We urge you to give this project your favorable consideration.

LAFAYETTE  
*David Carpenter*

MARTINEZ  
*Daniel Pellegrini*

MORAGA  
*Myrio Petreas, Ph.D.*

ORINDA  
*Charles Lapsha*

Sincerely,

Craig Downs  
General Manager

OAKLEY  
*Richard Head*

PITTSBURG  
*Vacancy*

PLEASANT HILL  
*Richard Means*

SAN PABLO  
*Jeannie Cummings*

SAN RAMON  
*Dick Vesperman*

WALNUT CREEK  
*Nancy Brownfield*



CITY OF OAKLEY  
3633 Main Street  
Oakley, CA 94561  
925 625 7000 tel  
925 625 9194 fax  
www.ci.oakley.ca.us

October 1, 2001

MAYOR  
Brad Nix

VICE MAYOR  
Tinker Vanek

COUNCIL MEMBERS  
Pat Anderson  
Jeffrey Huffaker  
Carol Rios

CITY MANAGER  
Mike Oliver

Patrick Wright, Director  
CALFED Bay-Delta Program  
1416 Ninth Street, #1155  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mr. Wright:

The City of Oakley would like to express its support on the proposal to CALFED for the "Big Break and Marsh Creek Water Quality and Habitat Restoration Program" submitted by the California State Coastal Conservancy in collaboration with The Delta Science Center and the Natural Heritage Institute. The project collaborators have already developed a meaningful working relationship with the City of Brentwood regarding Marsh Creek and its influence on the western Delta at Big Break. It is now time for the new city of Oakley to become engaged in this planning, restoration and public education process.

Oakley became California's newest city in July 1999. We are in the process of creating the city's first General Plan to guide land-use planning. We want to take advantage of the science, design and community participation this CALFED proposal offers to our planning process and our responsibility as Delta residents. The Council unanimously voted in support of the proposal at the City Council meeting on September 24, 2001

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Brad Nix, Mayor  
City of Oakley