

EXHIBIT 6: Letters of Support



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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2 December 2004

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100
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Dear Mr. Bosco:

The Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary strongly supports PRBO Conservation Science's proposal to assess the California Current System (CCS) and determine critical habitat needed to enhance projected marine resources and locate areas best suited for marine protected areas.

PRBO's research focuses on the science needed for improved conservation of the CCS marine ecosystem. Their work assists resource management agencies like NOAA-GFNMS to protect the fish and wildlife of our oceans. This project provides habitat characterization for three sanctuaries and contributes to the long-term monitoring tasks of the National Marine Sanctuaries. In particular, this work will help in our management activities for the Gulf of the Farallones, oil spill response preparedness, oil spill damage assessment, improving response actions and counteractive measures during an oil spill, and integrated ocean observing.

We fully support PRBO's project and we strongly urge the California Coastal Conservancy to fund it in full. If I can provide any other helpful information, please contact me directly at 415-561-6622 ext. 207.

Sincerely,

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Jan Roletto
GFNMS Research Coordinator



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United States Department of the Interior



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December 8, 2004

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Bosco:

On behalf of the California Coastal National Monument and the U.S. Department of the Interior's Bureau of Land Management (BLM), I am writing to endorse PRBO Conservation Science's California Current Marine Conservation Project and their pending funding request to the California Coastal Conservancy.

Effective conservation of the biologically rich and diverse California Current System (CCS) in which much of the California Coastal National Monument is located requires scientific guidance, leadership, and above all an inclusive process for bringing a diverse and representative group of stakeholders together to coordinate and implement comprehensive marine conservation.

PRBO is one of the BLM's first formal "collaborative partners" in the long-term management of the California Coastal National Monument (CCNM). The CCNM is one of the nation's most unique national monuments, consisting of a network of more than 20,000 rocks and small islands that runs off-shore of California's 1,100 mile-long coastline.

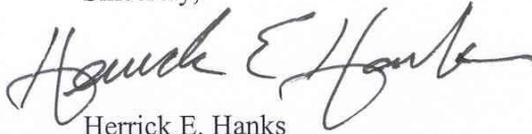
PRBO has been instrumental in the development and leadership of prominent public-private partnerships dedicated to environmental conservation: such as the San Francisco Bay Joint Venture and the U.S. Shorebird Conservation Plan. PRBO's strong foundation in science and extensive experience in building diverse partnerships places this organization at the forefront in ability to effectively implement a California Current Joint Venture – a non-regulatory, voluntary coalition dedicated to achieving common ocean conservation goals.

A California Current Joint Venture (CCJV) will provide a much needed connection between science and implementation, while providing an inclusive forum for discussing and establishing conservation strategies and priorities. A CCJV will bring together public and private agencies, commercial and recreational interests, conservation groups, development interests, and others. Enhanced protection of marine habitats for fish and wildlife is vital if we are to reverse the population decline of the ocean's top predators, promote sustainable fisheries, and conserve our natural marine resources for generations to come.

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I fully support PRBO's proposal to develop and implement a California Current Joint Venture and I strongly urge the California Coastal Conservancy to fund it in full. If I can provide any other helpful information, please contact me directly at (831) 372-6105.

Sincerely,



Herrick E. Hanks
CCNM Manager

cc: Ellie M. Cohen
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December 15, 2004

VIA FACSIMILE

Douglas Bosco
Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100
Oakland, CA 94612

RE: PRBO's California Current Marine Conservation Project

Dear Mr. Bosco,

I am writing to strongly endorse PRBO Conservation Science's California Current Marine Conservation Project and its pending funding request to the California Coastal Conservancy.

Effective conservation of the biologically rich and diverse California Current System requires scientific guidance, leadership, and above all, an inclusive process for bringing a diverse and representative group of stakeholders together to coordinate and implement comprehensive marine conservation.

Having had a funding relationship with PRBO for several years, I can attest to the fact that PRBO has been instrumental in the development and leadership of prominent public-private partnerships dedicated to environmental conservation, including among others the San Francisco Bay Joint Venture and the U.S. Shorebird Conservation Plan. PRBO's strong foundation in science and extensive experience in building diverse partnerships enable this organization to effectively implement a California Current Joint Venture – a voluntary coalition dedicated to achieving common ocean conservation goals.

A California Current Joint Venture (CCJV) will provide a much needed connection between science and implementation, while providing an inclusive forum for discussing and establishing conservation strategies and priorities. A CCJV will bring together public and private agencies, commercial and recreational fishing interests, conservation groups, development interests, and others. Enhanced protection of marine habitats for fish and wildlife is vital if we are to reverse the population decline of the ocean's top predators, promote sustainable fisheries, and conserve our natural marine resources for generations to come.

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I fully support PRBO's proposal to develop and implement a California Current Joint Venture and I strongly urge the California Coastal Conservancy to fund it in full. If I can provide any other helpful information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Michael A. Mantell

Cc: Sam Schuchat

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6 December 2004

The Honorable Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100
Oakland, CA 94612

RE: Funding Request by the Point Reyes Bird Observatory (PRBO) Conservation Science's
California Current Marine Conservation Project

Dear ~~Chairman~~ ^{Doug} Bosco,

On behalf of Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations (PCFFA), I am writing to endorse PRBO Conservation Science's California Current Marine Conservation Project and their pending funding request to the California Coastal Conservancy.

Effective conservation of the biologically rich and diverse California Current Large Marine Ecosystem (CCS) requires scientific guidance, leadership, and above all an inclusive process for bringing a diverse and representative group of stakeholders together to coordinate and implement comprehensive marine conservation.

PRBO has been instrumental in the development and leadership of prominent public-private partnerships dedicated to environmental conservation, such as the U.S. Shorebird Conservation Plan. PRBO's foundation in science and experience in building diverse partnerships places this organization at the forefront in ability to effectively implement a California Current Joint Venture – a non-regulatory, voluntary coalition dedicated to achieving common conservation goals.

A California Current Joint Venture (CCJV) will provide a much needed connection between science and implementation, while providing an inclusive forum for discussing and establishing conservation strategies and priorities. A CCJV will bring together public and private agencies, commercial and recreational fishermen and women, conservation groups, development interests, and others. Enhanced protection of the enormously valuable CCS marine habitats for fish and wildlife is vital if we are to reverse the population decline of the ocean's top predators, promote sustainable fisheries and conserve our natural marine resources for generations to come.

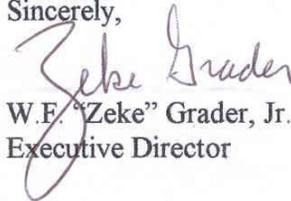
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I fully support PRBO's proposal to develop and implement a California Current Joint Venture and I strongly urge the California Coastal Conservancy to fund it in full. If I can provide any other helpful information, please contact me directly at (415) 561-5080.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Zeke Grader". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

W.F. "Zeke" Grader, Jr.
Executive Director

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