Exhibit 5: Letters of Support

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April 21, 2005

Doug Bosco, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I have been pleased to work closely with the Coastal Conservancy to see significant protections provided to the Mendocino Coast. The residents of this coastal area have worked diligently to be partners with the State for unique projects. The people of Westport have been leaders in their effort to protect this magnificent portion of the California coastline and the unique coastal communities.

I strongly support a proposed grant that will be used by the Westport Village Society to construct public coastal access improvements on the nine-acre Westport Headlands property in Westport, California. You previously funded acquisition of this unique property in the year 2000 and the planning of these proposed access improvements

The pending grant will capitalize upon your earlier investments, helping to bring this project to full fruition. It will also take advantage of the contributed energy and effort of local volunteers who are committed to improving public access and making the headlands the shared commons at the heart of their rural village. Your support for this grant will empower local citizenry to carry out a project that will broadly benefit the public, while at the same time building community.

As always, I greatly appreciate your support for these important projects and the special efforts to work with the people of the Mendocino Coast. Thank you for your attention to this request. Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

WESLEY CHESBRO
State Senator, Second District

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cc: Thad Van Bueren, WVS, Inc.

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April 14, 2005

Doug Bosco, Chair
Board of Directors
State Coastal Conservancy
Attn: Sheila Semans
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

Re: Westport Village Society, Inc. coastal access construction grant

Dear Chairman Bosco and Members of the Board:

I would like to express my strong support for a proposed grant that will be used by the Westport Village Society (WVS), a nonprofit corporation, to construct public coastal access improvements on the nine-acre Westport Headlands property in Westport, California. You previously funded acquisition of this unique property in the year 2000 and the planning of these proposed access improvements. The WVS has recently obtained all necessary permits and approvals for the project and is poised to complete a viewing platform accessible by people with handicaps, a handicap parking space, a stairway to the beach, a footbridge, and other minor improvements such as signage.

The pending grant will capitalize upon your earlier investments, helping to bring this project to full fruition. It will also take advantage of the contributed energy and effort of a dedicated cadre of local volunteers who are committed to improving public access and making the headlands the shared commons at the heart of their rural village. Your support for this grant will empower local citizenry to carry out a project that will broadly benefit the public, while at the same time building community.

I encourage you to give this grant proposal every serious consideration.

Sincerely,

Kendall Smith

Kendall Smith
County of Mendocino
4th District Supervisor

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OAKLAND, CALIF.

cc: Thad Van Bueren, WVS, Inc., P.O. Box 326, Westport, CA 95488

May 1, 2005

Dear Chairman Bosco and members of the Board

I would like to express support for a proposed grant for the Westport Village Society to construct a public coastal access on the Westport Headlands property in Westport, California. You previously funded acquisition of this property and the planning of improvements.

The WVS has obtained all necessary approvals and permits for viewing platform, handicap parking, stairway to beach and signage. We request your support for this grant to enable the project to be completed as planned to benefit the public access to the ocean and beach.

Sincerely,

Lois Senger
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