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Douglas Bosco, Board Chair
State Coastal Conservancy
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Joan Cardellino, Project Manager

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in support of the Mendocino Land Trust's application for funds to assist with site design and management tasks that will open and maintain seventeen public coastal access ways in Mendocino County.

The MLT has been active and successful in acquiring Offers-to-Dedicate. They are now ready to obtain the permits for these easements which will provide more access to the Mendocino coast. This access will not only be a great benefit to the residents of Mendocino County, but also to tourists who enjoy the natural beauty of the coast. The local economy will also benefit.

The seventeen easements which will benefit from this funding were prioritized for several reasons. Some form part of the California Coastal Trail alignment. Others provide vertical access to the shoreline and/or are in heavily visited areas. The grant will help fund easement, botanical and archaeological surveys. One of the public trails requires an engineering feasibility study.

I feel confident in the expertise of the staff of the Mendocino Land Trust to diligently carry out the tasks at hand. MLT currently manages six coastal access easements, or three actual public trails. The staff will be working with the property owners to produce mutually beneficial results.

Thank you for your consideration of this worthy proposal and for your continued support of public access and coastal preservation in California.

Sincerely,

MIKE THOMPSON
Member of Congress

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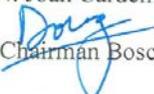


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August 10, 2005

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

ATTN: Joan Cardellino, Project Manager

Dear  Chairman Bosco:

I am writing to you in support of the application of the Mendocino Land Trust (MLT) for funds from the State Coastal Conservancy (SCC), to undertake a variety of site design and management tasks necessary to open and maintain seventeen public coastal access ways in Mendocino County.

MLT staff has identified 17 priority easements for which surveys and site plans are needed. These easements were determined to be priorities because they 1) form part of the California Coastal Trail alignment, or 2) provide vertical access to the shoreline, or 3) are in heavily visited areas. Botanical and archaeological surveys and easement boundary surveys will be completed; once the easements are surveyed, the basic site improvements can be designed. An engineering feasibility study will be needed for one of the public trails, where the MLT has already developed and opened a public access trail to and along the bluff.

A key element in opening any coastal access way is establishing good communication with the underlying property owner and the neighbors. MLT staff will be contacting landowners and meeting with them to discuss the types of improvements being contemplated for their property, and will seek to address landowner concerns with the site designs and management plans for the easements.

The MLT has an experienced staff, well versed in land acquisition issues and in negotiating acquisitions and improvements. It currently manages six coastal access easements, or three actual public trails. MLT has become increasingly active in accepting Offers-To-Dedicate (OTDs) and is now ready to proceed to obtain permits to open the easements to provide more access to the Mendocino Coast.

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Again, I urge you to support MLT's application for State Coastal Conservancy funds. Thank you for considering this proposal and for your continued support of public access and coastal preservation in California.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,



WESLEY CHESBRO
State Senator, Second District

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August 9, 2005

Doug Bosco, Board Chair
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100
Oakland, CA. 964612
Joan Cardellino, Project Manager

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing to urge your support for the Mendocino Land Trust's application for funds from the State Coastal Conservancy (SCC) to develop site designs and management plans to open seventeen public coastal access ways in Mendocino County.

Mendocino Land Trust (MLT) has identified seventeen priority easements for which surveys and site plans are needed. These specific sites were given priority because they either form part of the California Coastal Trail, provide vertical access to the shoreline or are simply popular with coastal visitors.

MLT staff is well versed in land acquisition and negotiating improvements. They will continue to foster positive relationships with the surrounding landowners, holding meetings to discuss the types of improvements being contemplated for their properties, and seeking to address any concerns with site design and management plans.

Opening these seventeen easements to the public will be beneficial to California residents as well as to the thousands of tourists from all over the world, who visit the beautiful Mendocino Coast each year. I fully support MLT in their commitment to preservation and public access for our precious coastline.

Thank you for your favorable consideration of this proposal and for your continued support of public access and coastal preservation in California. If I can provide any further information on this project, please do not hesitate to contact my Ukiah District Office at (707) 463-5770.

Respectfully,

PATTY BERG
Assemblymember, 1st District

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KENDALL SMITH
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August 2, 2005

Doug Bosco
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Oakland, California 94612

Att: Joan Cardellino, Project Manager

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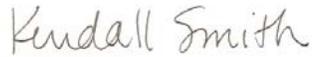
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Thank you for considering this proposal and for your continued support of public access and coastal preservation in California.

Sincerely,



Kendall Smith
4th District Supervisor
Mendocino County

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