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Doug Bosco, Chairman
California Coastal Conservancy
Attn: Sue Corbaley
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

RE: Six Rivers to the Sea: Price Creek Ranch Project

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am writing in support of the Six Rivers to the Sea Price Creek Ranch Project which is currently before the Conservancy Board for funding consideration. This Project, if funded, sets into motion a process that will result in the protection and enhancement of the Eel River estuary. The Six Rivers to the Sea model is characterized by an unprecedented partnership between land owners and public resource managers that may be a model for future efforts to provide long term management of our coastal resources.

The Six Rivers to the Sea projects overall represent a comprehensive approach to coastal resource enhancement- coupling preservation of land through use of conservation easements with watershed habitat restoration and forestlands rehabilitation. The permanent protection of these tracts of land, as targeted in the Six Rivers to the Sea plan, through perpetual conservation easements ensures that the public investment in planning and restoration will greatly improve the potential of the future viability of this region. Additionally, I am particularly impressed with the high degree of landowner involvement and cooperation in the Six Rivers to the Sea projects. I believe that the Six Rivers to the Sea model can have significant impact on public-private land management strategies in other areas of the State.

I am pleased to have this opportunity to express my support for the Project and encourage the Conservancy Board to support the Six Rivers to the Sea model and provide funding to support the Price Creek Ranch project.

Sincerely,


WESLEY CHESBRO
State Senator, Second District

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April 12, 2005

Mr. Doug Bosco, Chairman
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

ATTN: Susan Corbaley: Price Creek Ranch Appraisal

Dear Mr. Bosco,

I am writing to express my support for funding the appraisal of the Price Creek Ranch conservation easement. The appraisal is integral to ensuring the success of Six Rivers to the Sea (SRS) project.

SRS is a comprehensive conservation easement effort involving five ranches, which if protected would provide 17,000 acres of natural vegetation and include the protection of 20.5 miles of productive salmonid spawning streams and an additional 37 miles of salmonid rearing streams.

Price Creek is the first salmon-bearing tributary on the Eel River upriver from the ocean, and the proposed conservation easement will enhance the coastal resources of the Eel River estuary. The Price Creek Ranch appraisal is a significant step forward in efforts to preserve and protect our unique and precious coastal resources.

I urge your favorable consideration of this request. If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

PATTY BERG
Assemblymember, 1st District

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April 14, 2005

Doug Bosco, Chair
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Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am writing to extend my support for the appraisal of the Price Creek Ranch.

This unique property provides a great opportunity to protect valuable Eel River fisheries and other essential habitats. I appreciate your consideration of this important project.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Smith
1st District Supervisor

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