

Exhibit 3: Letters of Support



January 27, 2006

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairperson
San Francisco Bay Program
Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Re: Save Mount Diablo's Grant Application for the Mangini Ranch Property

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in support of the proposal Save Mount Diablo is submitting to request up to \$900,000 to acquire land in Contra Costa County. This grant will help the organization acquire 207 acres of the Mangini Ranch property, an area located on the north side of Mount Diablo near the City of Concord.

I am aware that Save Mount Diablo credits this property with several unique assets to the entire community, making the purchase an important and strategic acquisition. I have learned that the organization has prioritized the purchase of this property for several reasons, including:

- That the property offers an outstanding opportunity to permanently preserve a critical animal and plant habitat area of the East Bay and the Mount Diablo area.
- That Mangini Ranch includes a diversity of habitats—the headwaters of Galindo Creek, grassland, chaparral, woodlands, desert olive scrub, and oak savannah.
- That the property supports a high diversity of plant and animal life including species like the Alameda whipsnake, coast horned lizards, Desert Olive, Hospital Canyon larkspur, Jepsons coyote thistle and Jepsons woolly sunflower.

I hope that the Coastal Conservancy will give full and fair consideration consistent with applicable law and regulations to the application submitted by Save Mount Diablo. I trust that you will keep me advised of this request and I look forward to the important benefits that this award would make possible within this Congressional District.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ellen O. Tauscher".

ELLEN O. TAUSCHER
Member of Congress
(CA-10)

CC: Ron Brown, Executive Director for Save Mount Diablo

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June 2, 2005

Tim Corrigan
San Francisco Bay Program
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1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
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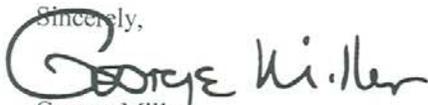
Dear Mr. Corrigan:

I am writing in strong support of the \$900,000 grant request by Save Mount Diablo to assist with the purchase of a 207-acre portion of Mangini Ranch.

The protection of Mangini Ranch on the north slope of Mount Diablo will protect the property and enhance the riparian buffer areas located there, improve the overall water quality in this area of the East Bay, and will be an important addition to the public open spaces in Contra Costa County. Mangini Ranch is located between the Lime Ridge Open Space and Mount Diablo State Park and adjacent on the south to the Crystal Ranch neighborhood trail connections. Purchase of this property will allow the extension of the California Riding and Hiking Trail and the Lime Ridge Trail, and provides a number of internal loop trails. The remaining funds will be raised from a variety of sources including mitigation funds, local residents and Save Mount Diablo members.

I urge your favorable consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



George Miller
Member of Congress
7th Congressional District, California

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January 13, 2006

Douglas Bosco, Chairperson
San Francisco Bay Program
Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Re: Grant Application - Save Mount Diablo

Dear Mr. Bosco:

Save Mount Diablo is submitting a grant application for approximately \$900,000.00 in connection with its acquisition of a 207-acre portion of the property known as the Mangini Ranch, which is located on the north side of Mount Diablo.

I support this grant application on the following grounds:

- the Mangini Ranch is home to the headwaters of Galindo Creek and, thus, the protection of this property will aid the protection of water quality in this area,
- the acquisition of this property will further encourage the public to use their open space responsibly and to enjoy the numerous fitness opportunities in the East Bay area, and
- the Mangini Ranch property is home to vast diversity of plant and animal species.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,


Senator Tom Torlakson



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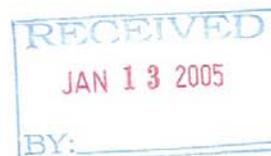
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ASSEMBLYMEMBER, ELEVENTH DISTRICT

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June, 28, 2005



Douglas Bosco, Chairperson
San Francisco Bay Program
Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Re: Grant Application - Save Mount Diablo

Dear Mr. Bosco:

Save Mount Diablo is submitting a grant application for approximately \$900,000.00 in connection with its acquisition of a 207-acre portion of the property known as the Mangini Ranch, which is located on the north side of Mount Diablo.

I support this grant application on the following grounds:

- the Mangini Ranch is home to the headwaters of Galindo Creek and, thus, the protection of this property will aid the protection of water quality in this area,
- the acquisition of this property will further encourage the public to use their open space responsibly and to enjoy the numerous fitness opportunities in the East Bay area, and
- the Mangini Ranch property is home to vast diversity of plant and animal species.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,


JOSEPH CANCIAMILLA
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1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, California 94612

RE: Save Mt. Diablo Grant Application

Dear Mr. Corrigan:

It is my understanding that Save Mount Diablo is submitting a grant application for an amount up to \$900,000.00 in connection with its acquisition of a 207-acre portion of the local property know as Mangini Ranch. This property is located on the north side of Mount Diablo near the city of Concord.

The acquisition of this property is an addition to the open space and public lands in the East Bay area and I support this grant application for the following reasons:

- The Mangini Ranch property will offer a wide ranger of hiking, back packing and horseback riding opportunities for the public and
- The Mangini Ranch property is home to numerous natural habitats and plant and animal species which will be protected by the acquisition of this land.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. Please call me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,


Mark DeSaulnier

MD:bf

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June 23, 2005



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Tim Corrigan
San Francisco Bay Program
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1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
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Re: Grant Application – Save Mount Diablo

Dear Mr. Corrigan:

Save Mount Diablo is submitting a grant application for an amount of up to \$900,000.00 in connection with its acquisition of a 207-acre portion of the property known as Mangini Ranch, which is located on the north side of Mount Diablo near the City of Concord.

The Mangini Ranch is a strategic property in the on-going expansion of the public open space and park system in the area surrounding Mount Diablo. Therefore, I support Save Mount Diablo's grant application for the following reasons:

- the Mangini Ranch property will offer a wide range of hiking and horseback riding for the general public,
- the Mangini Ranch property represents an important land bridge between surrounding public open spaces long Lime Ridge and Mount Diablo State Park, and
- the Mangini Ranch acquisition represents a positive example of a cooperative effort to expand the public open space and foster responsible development.

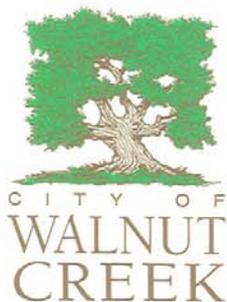
Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Laura M. Hoffmeister
Mayor, City of Concord

cc: Council Members
Lydia Du Borg, City Manager
Mark Deven, Assistant City Manager

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January 12, 2006

Douglas Bosco, Chairperson
San Francisco Bay Program
Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Re: Grant Application – Save Mount Diablo

Dear Mr. Bosco:

It is my understanding that Save Mount Diablo is submitting a grant application for an amount up to \$900,000.00 in connection with its acquisition of a 207-acre portion of the property known as the Mangini Ranch, which is located on the north side of Mount Diablo near the City of Concord.

I believe that the acquisition of the Mangini Ranch property greatly serves the public's interest and, therefore, I support Save Mount Diablo's grant application on the following grounds:

- acquisition of the Mangini Ranch property expands the existing open space system for public recreational uses;
- the protection of the Mangini Ranch property protects important wildlife habitats and plant life in the East Bay area; and
- the protection of the Mangini Ranch property protects the riparian buffer areas along Galindo Creek.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathy Hicks".

Kathy Hicks
MAYOR