

Exhibit 3: Letters of Support



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Doug Bosco, Chair
California Coastal Conservancy
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August 15, 2007

RE: \$200,000 Grant to the Port of San Francisco for the Pier 52 Boat Launch

Dear Mr. Bosco,

I am writing this letter in support of the Port of San Francisco and its efforts to build a new launching ramp in the city between Piers 50 & 52.

As it now stands there is a very substandard launching ramp located between Piers 50 and 54. The present facility is steeper than should be. At low tide, it is a must to have a four wheel drive vehicle or 3-4 people to stand on the bumper so that you can retrieve your boat.

There is no handicapped access whatsoever and a float at the end of the gangway that is only 8'x8'. This makes for an interesting ballet being performed whenever there are multiple boats at the same time. Unfortunately, sometimes this makes for a *dangerous* dance, as there is a prevailing westerly wind that blows boats towards the Santa Fe pier just to the east.

There are also issues with human powered watercraft mixing with large boats in a facility with such a small tie-up. As the Blue Greenway is being developed, the need for better access to the water is paramount for this to be a successful project. While this is only a small part of the trail, it is the only launching site in the City and County of San Francisco.

The Port of SF is in the process of building a new facility that will address all of these issues. The Bay View Boat Club thoroughly supports the SF Port and its endeavor to build a new launching facility. We are also aware of the financial situation that the SF Port is in and its need for multiple funding sources. It has come to our attention that the SF Port has applied for a \$200,000 grant from California Coastal Conservancy.

We are in full support of this grant request and urge you to fund this very worthwhile project.

Sincerely,

Verne Smith
Commodore, Bay View Boat Club

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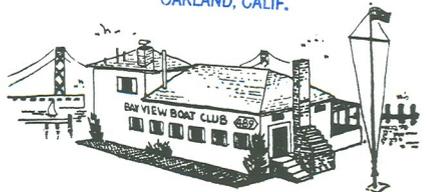


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August 14, 2007

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Re: Grant for \$200,000 to the Port of San Francisco for the Pier 52 Boat Launch

Dear Mr. Bosco,

Neighborhood Parks Council (NPC) enthusiastically supports the Port of San Francisco's grant application in the amount of \$200,000 from the California Coastal Commission to undertake capital improvements for the Pier 52 Public Boat Launch Project. If funded, this project will endeavor to:

- Replace a deteriorated substandard boat launch facility which is the only public boat launch ramp within the City and County of San Francisco
- Provide for an important link in the Regional Bay Water Trail
- Serve a variety of boating users including recreational boaters and water safety and security agencies
- Accommodate hand powered boaters and boaters with disabilities
- Add a valuable public open space enhancement and provide a connection to a variety of community open spaces

This project has received all necessary approvals and can begin implementation with appropriation of grant funds.

NPC seeks to create a "green" corridor for activity and discovery along the Southeast shore of San Francisco. The trail will fulfill San Francisco's Southeastern portion of the larger, Association of Bay Area Government (ABAG)-sponsored Bay Trail project and will provide a much-needed alternative transportation opportunity that is easily accessible for exercise, recreation and enjoyment of art and open space in the City's park-poor Southeastern Corridor.

Kind regards,

Isabel Wade
Executive Director

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August 17, 2007

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am writing in support of the Port of San Francisco's application for a grant of \$200,000 to complete the Pier 52 Public Boat Launch Ramp project. This is the only facility in San Francisco that can accommodate all kinds of trailered and hand launched small non-motorized boats such as kayaks and traditional rowing craft. Larger human powered boats such as dragon boats, whale boats and outrigger canoes will also be able to use it.

As I'm sure you know, the planning process for the San Francisco Bay Area Water Trail is nearing completion, will be submitted to the legislature at the beginning of 2008, and will be ready to begin implementation next year. The Public Launch Ramp at Pier 52 will most certainly be one of the early designated launch sites because of its unique position on the San Francisco waterfront.

Currently, the ramp and its dock are in need of improvement. The ramp is narrow, steep and slippery. The dock, while not unsafe, is, for lack of a better term, somewhat funky. The southern San Francisco waterfront is undergoing major redevelopment right now and the population along this shoreline will increase markedly within the next few years. We all hope that the green open space and the blue launch facilities will be ready as the area becomes a home and destination for thousands of people.

Bay Access, Inc. is the non-profit entity supporting the Water Trail and we fully endorse the Port of San Francisco's project to improve this very important access site to the water of San Francisco Bay.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,

Penny Wells
President

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