

Exhibit 3: Letters of Support

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December 19, 2007

BY FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
 California State Coastal Conservancy
 1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
 Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am writing in strong support of Coastal Conservancy funding of Heal the Bay's Stream Team volunteer monitoring program.

The goal of the proposed project is to promote stewardship of the Malibu Creek watershed, located in the 41st Assembly District, which is one of the last significant coastal riparian corridors and wetland areas in Los Angeles County. It would be done through a volunteer water monitoring and restoration program that includes hands-on education within the watershed. This program will continue to educate thousands of people on the importance of the watershed and what they can do to protect it.

Heal the Bay's Stream Team has successfully promoted watershed stewardship of the vitally important streams and habitats within the Malibu Creek Watershed as well as throughout the entire coastal Santa Monica Mountains region. I respectfully urge funding of this important program.

Sincerely,

JULIA BROWNLEY
 Assemblywoman, 41st District

cc: Kara Kemmler
 Dr. Mark Gold

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December 19, 2007

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Doug,

I am writing to lend my strong support to Heal the Bay's highly successful Stream Monitoring and Restoration Program. The Coastal Conservancy's funding will allow Heal the Bay to continue to build upon the successes of the original Stream Team by funding the monitoring of water quality and riparian habitat, as well as mapping and monitoring activities within the Malibu Creek Watershed. This invaluable work provides needed assistance to the efforts of the California State Parks in undertaking their restoration projects.

The Stream Team Monitoring and Restoration Project is a crucial step towards good watershed management and stewardship; it is designed to educate residents and empower individuals to be pro-active in preserving and protecting precious resources.

I have worked with Heal the Bay on many issues and their leadership on the restoration of the Santa Monica Bay has been invaluable. Financial support is crucial to the continuation of this extremely important work.

Please join me in supporting the Stream Team Monitoring and Restoration Project by dedicating funding for this project.

Thank you for your consideration. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of any assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sheila".

SHEILA JAMES KUEHL
Senator, 23rd District



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In reply refer to:
December 19, 2007

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Bosco,

The National Park Service (NPS) in the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreational Area supports Heal the Bay's Stream Team program and look forward to continuing our partnership with their organization and their committed volunteer base.

We have worked closely with Heal the Bay to identify, prioritize and assess monitoring and restoration for many years. As a large landowner within the Santa Monica Mountain Recreational Area, we have benefitted from both the water quality data and the collection and analysis of program data such as the identification of non-native invasive vegetation, barriers to fish passage, collapsed and unstable stream banks, artificial stream bank modifications and illegal dump sites. Heal the Bay's stream data, GIS capabilities, and web-based access has proven extremely useful for our habitat restoration and enhancement planning and implementation.

Future cooperative efforts will focus on monitoring the effects of the recent fires on water quality and riparian habitat, continued steelhead and overall riparian habitat improvements, and monitoring the potential spread of New Zealand mud snail.

We are pleased that Heal the Bay is committed to implementing projects and providing programs such as these. Again, the National Park Service supports Heal the Bay's efforts and we are committed to providing technical assistance necessary to aid in the accomplishments of their goals.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Woody Sméck". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Woody Sméck
Superintendent



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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Arnold Schwarzenegger, Governor

Ruth Coleman, Director

December 20, 2007

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Bosco,

The California Department of Parks and Recreation requests that the Coastal Conservancy provide funding for Heal the Bay's Bay Stream Team Project.

Heal the Bay has a long successful history of monitoring, education, advocacy and restoration in the Santa Monica Bay and its watersheds. Heal the Bay's Stream Team initiated a three-pronged approach to watershed assessment, by monitoring water chemistry, mapping physical features and impairments, and assessing the biological condition of the watershed. These efforts led to a comprehensive assessment of the state of the Malibu Creek watershed identifying serious degradation of riparian habitat quality caused by the proliferation of exotic invasive vegetation, excessive pollutants, and stream bank alterations and providing recommendations to stop and in some cases reverse the degradation occurring in the watershed.

The Stream Team citizen monitoring and restoration crews have proven to be an effective tool for watershed management and stewardship. The program is designed to educate and empower individuals to be pro-active in preserving and protecting our precious resources. I have worked with Heal the Bay on many issues and find their contributions to the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project and the entire environmental movement to be extremely valuable.

I would appreciate your favorable consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Nathaniel Cox, Environmental Scientist
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cc: Kara Kemmler, CCC
Mark Gold, HTB



malibu creek
watershed council

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December 14, 2007

Douglas Bosco,
Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
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Dear Mr. Bosco,

I want to encourage your support for the Heal the Bay's Bay Stream Team Project. Since its inception, Heal the Bay has been an environmental leader in the Santa Monica Mountains and beyond.

Heal the Bay has a long successful history of monitoring, education, advocacy and restoration in the Santa Monica Bay and its watersheds. The Stream Team Monitoring and Restoration Project is an important step toward good watershed management and stewardship; it is designed to educate residents and empower individuals to be pro-active in preserving and protecting our valuable natural resources.

Heal the Bay's Stream Team has successfully blended citizen volunteers and state-of-the-art scientific procedures and equipment. They have initiated a three-pronged approach to watershed assessment, by monitoring water chemistry, mapping physical features and impairments, and assessing the biological condition of the watershed. These efforts led to a comprehensive assessment of the state of the Malibu Creek watershed identifying serious degradation of riparian habitat quality caused by the proliferation of exotic invasive vegetation, excessive pollutants, and stream bank alterations and providing recommendations to stop and in some cases reverse the degradation occurring in the watershed.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Melina Watts
Malibu Creek Watershed Coordinator
Resource Conservation District of the Santa Monica Mountains

cc: Kara Kemmler
Mark Gold



bay restoration commission

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December 18, 2007

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
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Dear Mr. Bosco,

On behalf of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission, I am writing to request that the Coastal Conservancy provide funding for the Malibu Creek Watershed Volunteer Monitoring and Restoration Program as proposed by Heal the Bay. As part of the Bay Restoration Plan, the Santa Monica Bay restoration Commission has made reducing runoff pollution and enhancing and preserving the natural resources and recreational uses within the Malibu Creek Watershed top priorities.

Heal the Bay has a long successful history of monitoring, education, advocacy and restoration in the Santa Monica Bay and its watersheds. The Stream Team Monitoring and Restoration Project is an important step toward good watershed management and stewardship.

I have worked with Heal the Bay on many issues and find their contributions to the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission and the entire environmental movement to be extremely valuable. Heal the Bay has provided important leadership in the work needed to restore Santa Monica Bay and its watersheds and will continue to do so for years to come.

I support the Stream Team Monitoring and Restoration Project and commend Heal the Bay for the work they have done and will continue to do to promote a cleaner bay and healthier environment.

Sincerely,

Shelley Luce
Executive Director
Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission

