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October 28, 2010

Douglas Bosco, Chair
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
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Re: Carpinteria Rincon Trail Project

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing to express my support for the City of Carpinteria's application for California Coastal Conservancy funds to be used to prepare the environmental studies needed to further work on the Carpinteria Rincon Trail. I have reviewed the project and believe it has important public and environmental benefits.

The City of Carpinteria has a strong record of delivering public improvement projects along its coast and has already completed several significant segments of its coastal trail. This segment of the Rincon Trail, when completed, will be a Class I bikepath that traverses a unique route of incredible scenic beauty and as such will be of much recreational value to residents and visitors of the Central Coast alike. It will create a major bike trail connection between Ventura and Santa Barbara counties, connecting the local Carpinteria community to very desirable coastal resources, and will decommission an unsanctioned and unsafe bike trail in the railroad corridor.

I urge you to give the City of Carpinteria's grant request your full and fair consideration, consistent with all relevant rules and regulations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lois Capps".

LOIS CAPPS
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October 22, 2010

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

Dear Mr. Bosco,

I am writing in support of the City of Carpinteria's application for funds to conduct environmental review for the Carpinteria Rincon Trail project. This hiking and biking trail completes a critical inside link between the Ventura County Line and the City of Carpinteria and will be a treasure on our Central Coast.

The City, in partnership with the County of Santa Barbara has already completed preliminary engineering for the project and now desires to conduct environmental review. The project will improve tourism, coastal access, public health, reduce motor vehicle use and improve air quality. In addition, the proposed trail route possesses stunning natural beauty helping to improve everyone's appreciation of nature.

I am proud to represent Carpinteria in the State Assembly and I would appreciate your consideration of this important project in our area.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "PN", written over a faint printed name.

PEDRO NAVA
Assemblymember, 35th District



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October 19, 2010

Rachel Couch
State Coastal Conservancy
2929 Verde Vista, Apt. A
Santa Barbara, CA 93105

Dear Ms. Couch,

I am writing in support of the City of Carpinteria's application to the State Coastal Conservancy to fund continued work on the Carpinteria Rincon Trail.

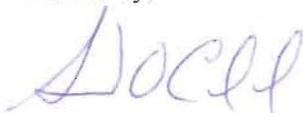
As the County Supervisor who represents Carpinteria, I know first hand that this hiking and biking trail completes a critical inside link between the Ventura County Line and the City of Carpinteria. When complete, the Rincon Trail will connect Highway 150 and U.S. 101 to the Ventura County Line with a bike path that will improve coastal access, public health and safety and promote tourism. This trail will accomplish these goals by providing a safe alternative for bicyclists and pedestrians that currently use the railroad and the freeway to access Rincon County Park.

This project has also been a collaborative process between the City and the County of Santa Barbara which has already resulted in the completion of preliminary engineering design. The next critical step in the process is to conduct environmental review and gain CEQA compliance which will be possible with the Coastal Conservancy funding.

I urge the State Coastal Conservancy to support this well planned project proposal that is in keeping with your mission to "protect, restore, and enhance coastal resources, and to provide access to the shore."

Thank you for your positive consideration of this application.

Sincerely,


Salud Carbajal

cc: Matt Roberts, City of Carpinteria Parks and Recreation Director

October 25, 2010

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Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chair
 California Coastal Conservancy
 1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
 Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Bosco,

Please help fund the application from the city of Carpinteria to perform an environmental analysis of the proposed **Carpinteria Rincon Trail**.

We're a regional advocacy organization working for better and safer conditions for people who bicycle. As such, we are looking forward to the Carpinteria Rincon Trail that will provide a safe connection between the city of Carpinteria and Santa Barbara county's Rincon Beach County Park. The alternatives today are bicycling on the Highway 101 shoulder or riding illegally along and over the Union Pacific railroad tracks.

The Trail will encourage people to bike and walk and jog along the coastline, enjoying the ocean air and experiencing the rich habitat. Tourists and residents in the region will have a healthy alternative to driving.

Caltrans is moving forward with design and construction of an adjacent project. It's a separate trail along the ocean between Rincon Beach County Park and Mobil Pier, about three miles to the east. This new segment of the California Coastal Trail will be safely separated from the freeway traffic, and will provide direct connectivity with the Carpinteria Rincon Trail for hikers and bicyclists.

For the Carpinteria Rincon Trail, the project study report was just completed, and the next step is an environmental study. The Trail will provide multiple benefits to California people seeking healthy activities.

We urge you to fund the environmental study.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ralph Fertig", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ralph Fertig, President
 Santa Barbara Bicycle Coalition