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June 29, 2011

Mr. Doug Bosco, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, #1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am writing to request that the Conservancy authorize funding for the Ballona Wetlands Ecological Reserve which is located in my Senate District. These authorizations would support site improvements and planning activities to increase public access at the Ballona Wetlands.

Encompassing 600 acres, the Ballona Wetlands is the largest coastal wetland restoration project in urban Los Angeles County and one best remaining opportunities to restore coastal wetlands in southern California. The site has tremendous potential for environmental education and offers a rare opportunity for the public to experience a coastal wetland.

I strongly support this project because it will help increase the public's ability to experience and learn about the resources at the Ballona Wetlands. Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (310) 318-6994.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ted W. Lieu".

TED W. LIEU
Senator, 28th District

cc: Mary Small



BILL ROSENDAHL

Councilman, 11th District

June 29, 2011

Mr. Doug Bosco, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, #1300
Oakland, CA 94612

RE: Proposed Conservancy Authorization for Ballona Wetlands Ecological Reserve

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am writing to encourage the Conservancy to authorize funding for the Ballona Wetlands Ecological Reserve. These authorizations would support site improvements and planning activities to increase public access at the Ballona Wetlands, located in my council district.

The Ballona Wetlands Ecological Reserve is 600 acres, surrounded by urban Los Angeles, the second largest city in the nation. The site has enormous potential for environmental education and offers a rare opportunity for the public to experience a coastal wetland. As a representative of the ecological reserve and the people of Los Angeles, I support this project because it will help increase the public's ability to experience and learn about the resources at the Ballona Wetlands. Thank you for your consideration of this project.

Regards,

BILL ROSENDAHL

Councilmember, 11th District

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June 24, 2011

Mr. Doug Bosco, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, #1300
Oakland, CA 94612

RE: Proposed Conservancy Authorization for Ballona Wetlands Ecological Reserve

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am writing to encourage the Conservancy to authorize funding for the Ballona Wetlands Ecological Reserve. These authorizations would support site improvements and planning activities to increase public access at the Ballona Wetlands.

The Ballona Wetlands Ecological Reserve is 600 acres, surrounded by urban Los Angeles County. The site has enormous potential for environmental education and offers a rare opportunity for the public to experience a coastal wetland. I support this project because it will help increase the public's ability to experience and learn about the resources at the Ballona Wetlands. Thank you for your consideration of this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shelley Luce", written in a cursive style.

Shelley Luce, D.Env.
Executive Director

cc: Mary Small

our mission: to restore and enhance the santa monica bay through actions and partnerships that improve water quality, conserve and rehabilitate natural resources, and protect the bay's benefits and values





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June 30, 2011

Mr. Doug Bosco, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, #1300
Oakland, CA 94612

RE: Conservancy Authorization for Ballona Wetlands Ecological Reserve Funding

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am writing to encourage the Conservancy to authorize funding for the Ballona Wetlands Ecological Reserve. This authorization would support site improvements and planning activities to increase public access at the Ballona Wetlands.

The Ballona Wetlands Ecological Reserve (BWER) is 600 acres, surrounded by the second largest city in the country, Los Angeles. The site has enormous potential for environmental education and offers a rare opportunity for the public to experience a coastal wetland in the 128 square mile Ballona Watershed.

After first saving the Ballona Wetlands from development back in the 70's, the Friends expanded its mission to offer educational programs and restoration projects on the south side of the Ballona Creek, in roughly 300 of the 600 acres of the BWER. We have been doing this for over twenty years with our local Audubon chapters, and will continue to enhance our programs with some new and ongoing partners in urban ecology, Loyola Marymount University and Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission.

There is a need for 300 of the BWER acres on the north side of the Creek to be improved for birds, wildlife, public access, education, and maintenance. We support this project because it will help protect and increase the public's ability to experience and learn about all of the resources in the Ballona Wetlands.

Thank you for your consideration of this project!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lisa Fimiani".

Lisa Fimiani
Executive Director

cc: Mary Small

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MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS
SUPERVISOR, SECOND DISTRICT

July 11, 2011

Mr. Doug Bosco
Chairman, State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, #1300
Oakland, CA 94612

RE: Proposed Conservancy Authorization for Ballona Wetlands Ecological Reserve

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am writing to encourage the Conservancy to authorize funding for the Ballona Wetlands Ecological Reserve. These authorizations would support site improvements and planning activities to increase public access at the Ballona Wetlands.

The Ballona Wetlands Ecological Reserve is 600 acres, surrounded by urban Los Angeles County. The site has enormous potential for environmental education and offers a rare opportunity for the public to experience a coastal wetland. I support this project because it will help increase the public's ability to experience and learn about the resources at the Ballona Wetlands.

If you would like to further discuss this matter, please feel free to contact my deputy, Karly Katona, at (213) 974-2222.

Thank you for your consideration of this project.

With hope,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark Ridley-Thomas".

MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS
Supervisor, Second District

c: Mary Small, State Coastal Conservancy