

Exhibit 3: Project Letters

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MARK LENO

THIRD SENATE DISTRICT



August 18, 2011

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman  
California State Coastal Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am writing to support the grant application of the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy for improvements to the California Coastal Trail and the Bay Area Ridge Trail in the Presidio of San Francisco. This project will dramatically improve safety for bicyclists and pedestrians, expand the alternative transportation network in the Bay Area, and enhance access to our national parklands.

This project directly supports the California State Coastal Conservancy's goals to protect, restore and enhance coastal habitat, and its principal role in the development of the California Coastal Trail. These improvements are part of a larger, multi-year Presidio Coastal Trail project to construct 4.45 miles of bike lanes and a safe, multi-use, accessible trail from the southern Golden Gate Bridge toll plaza to Baker Beach.

The Golden Gate Bridge – one of the most recognized landmarks in the world – is visited by millions of pedestrians and bicyclists each year. The 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Bridge in 2012, followed by America's Cup in 2013, will bring added visibility and traffic to this celebrated icon. Increasing alternative transportation access to this site will enhance the visitor experience, decrease traffic congestion, and improve the region's livability.

I respectfully urge the Coastal Conservancy to support this important effort to enhance and sustain the park's trails into the future. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark Leno". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

MARK LENO  
Senator, 3<sup>rd</sup> District

cc: Matt Gerhart, Deputy Program Manager, California State Coastal Conservancy

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August 23, 2011

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chair of the Conservancy  
California State Coastal Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco:

As the representative for the 12<sup>th</sup> Assembly District of California, I am pleased to express my support for the grant application submitted by the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy for improvements to the California Coastal Trail and the Bay Area Ridge Trail in the Presidio of San Francisco.

This project will complete the first phase of improvements to the Presidio Coastal Trail, creating a fully accessible, multi-use trail between Merchant Road and Washington Boulevard. This key segment of the California Coastal Trail also serves as the realigned route for the Bay Area Ridge Trail and the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail, making it critical to the trail networks of the Presidio and the region. This trail will provide access to two new overlooks, as well as improved connections to the San Francisco Bay Trail and park destinations such as Rob Hill Campground and Immigrant Point Overlook.

This project will improve access for the millions of visitors who access the Golden Gate Bridge and the adjacent national parklands on foot or by bicycle each year. The 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Bridge in 2012, followed by America's Cup in 2013, will bring added visibility and significantly increased traffic to this area. This project will dramatically improve safety for bicyclists and pedestrians, expand the alternative transportation network of the Bay Area, and enhance access to our national parklands.

I respectfully urge the California State Coastal Conservancy to support this important effort to enhance and sustain the park's trails into the future. This project furthers the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy mission to preserve the Golden Gate National Parks, enhance the visitor experience, and build a community dedicated to conserving the parks for the future.

If we can be of assistance, please contact my District Director by emailing [Bob.Twomey@asm.ca.gov](mailto:Bob.Twomey@asm.ca.gov) or calling our San Francisco Office at (415)557-2312.

In Peace and Friendship,

Assemblywoman Fiona Ma  
Speaker Pro Tempore  
Twelfth District



Cc: Matt Gerhart, Deputy Program Manager, California State Coastal Conservancy



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**Tom Ammiano**  
Assemblymember, Thirteenth District

August 18, 2011

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chair of the Conservancy  
California State Coastal Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco:

As the representative for the 13<sup>th</sup> Assembly District of California, I am pleased to express my support for the grant application submitted by the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy for improvements to the California Coastal Trail and the Bay Area Ridge Trail in the Presidio of San Francisco.

This project will complete the first phase of improvements to the Presidio Coastal Trail, creating a fully accessible, multi-use trail between Merchant Road and Washington Boulevard. This key segment of the California Coastal Trail also serves as the realigned route for the Bay Area Ridge Trail and the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail, making it critical to the trail networks of the Presidio and the region. This trail will provide access to two new overlooks, as well as improved connections to the San Francisco Bay Trail and park destinations such as Rob Hill Campground and Immigrant Point Overlook.

This project will improve access for the millions of visitors who access the Golden Gate Bridge and the adjacent national parklands on foot or by bicycle each year. The 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Bridge in 2012, followed by America's Cup in 2013, will bring added visibility and significantly increased traffic to this area. This project will dramatically improve safety for bicyclists and pedestrians, expand the alternative transportation network of the Bay Area, and enhance access to our national parklands.

I respectfully urge the California State Coastal Conservancy to support this important effort to enhance and sustain the park's trails into the future. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Assemblymember Tom Ammiano

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August 18, 2011

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman  
California State Coastal Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Oakland, CA 94612



Dear Chairman Bosco:

The Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District (District) is pleased to offer its strong support for the grant application submitted by the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy for improvements to the California Coastal Trail and the Bay Area Ridge Trail in the Presidio of San Francisco. This project will dramatically improve safety for bicyclists and pedestrians, expand the alternative transportation network in the Bay Area, and enhance access to our national parklands and to the Golden Gate Bridge.

This project directly supports the California State Coastal Conservancy's goals to protect, restore and enhance coastal habitat, and its principal role in the development of the California Coastal Trail. These improvements are part of a larger, multi-year Presidio Coastal Trail project to construct 4.45 miles of bike lanes and a safe, multi-use, accessible trail from the southern Golden Gate Bridge toll plaza to Baker Beach.

The Golden Gate Bridge is one of the most recognized landmarks in the world, with millions of visitors arriving on foot or by bicycle each year. Currently, 6,000 bicycles cross the Golden Gate Bridge on a typical summer day. At the District, one of our goals is to reduce automobile and parking congestion on and around the Golden Gate Bridge. We believe that improvements to bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure such as the proposed project are critical to helping us meet that goal.

In honor of the Golden Gate Bridge's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2012, we are partnering with the GGNRA and the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy to make visitor facility improvements. This project will build on that momentum by creating a more unified and functional alternative transportation network for visitors and residents alike. We respectfully urge the California State Coastal Conservancy to support this important effort to enhance and sustain the park's trails into the future.

Sincerely,

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Denis J. Mulligan  
General Manager and CEO

cc: Matt Gerhart, Deputy Program Manager, California State Coastal Conservancy

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August 18, 2011

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California State Coastal Conservancy  
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Oakland, CA 94612

Stan Bluhm  
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Dear Chairman Bosco:

Mike Reilly  
*Treasurer*  
*Sonoma County*

I am pleased to express my support for the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy's grant proposal for improvements to the California Coastal Trail (CCT) and Bay Area Ridge Trail in the Presidio of San Francisco.

Nancy Graves  
*San Luis Obispo County*

Sarah Gurney  
*Sonoma County*

This project will create a fully accessible, multi-use trail between Merchant and Washington Boulevards, install trailhead and trail interpretation panels, and carry out re-vegetation and scenic vista restoration work. This project will dramatically improve safety for bicyclists and pedestrians, make significant improvements to the regional trail network of the Bay Area, and enhance access to our national parklands.

Mark Massara  
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*Sonoma County*

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John Woolley  
*Humboldt County*

Coastwalk is a statewide non-profit organization committed to protection of our coastal resources, responsible public access to our coastline and completion of the CCT. I fully support this project and respectfully urge you to give it favorable consideration at your September meeting.

Una J. M. Glass,  
Executive Director

Sincerely,

Una J.M. Glass  
Executive Director

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Cc: Matt Gerhart, Deputy Program Manager, California State Coastal Conservancy

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PROMOTING THE BICYCLE FOR EVERYDAY TRANSPORTATION

5 August 2011

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

Dear Chairman Bosco:

On behalf of the 12,000 members of the San Francisco Bicycle Coalition (SFBC), I am pleased to express our support for the grant application submitted by the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy for improvements to the California Coastal Trail and the Bay Area Ridge Trail in the Presidio of San Francisco.

These improvements are part of a larger, multi-year Presidio Coastal Trail project to construct 4.45 miles of bike lanes and a multi-use, accessible trail from the southern Golden Gate Bridge toll plaza to Baker Beach; install bike racks and wayfinding signage; and create a safe north-south bicycle/pedestrian route along the busy western edge of the Presidio, alongside Lincoln Blvd. This route is included in our Connecting the City plan to create a safer and more contiguous citywide bike network. This project will dramatically improve safety for bicyclists and pedestrians and enhance access to our national parklands.

The SFBC fully supports the work of the National Park Service, the Presidio Trust, and the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy to provide improved and expanded alternative transportation options to Bay Area residents.

I respectfully urge the California State Coastal Conservancy to support this important effort to enhance and sustain the park's trails into the future.

Sincerely,

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Andy Thornley  
Policy Director  
San Francisco Bicycle Coalition

Cc: Matt Gerhart, Deputy Program Manager, California State Coastal Conservancy