

Exhibit 3: Project Letters



October 6, 2011

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

Re: November 10, 2011 Coastal Conservancy Board Meeting
Proposition 12 funding distribution for McGraw property acquisition

Dear Chairman Bosco and members of the Board:

The March 2000 park bond, Proposition 12, allocated funds to undertake projects for the South Coast Wilderness System of coastal canyons and watersheds in south Orange County. As a stakeholder with Laguna Canyon Foundation and the County of Orange, we are utilizing these funds to acquire additional land for the regional South Coast Wilderness system of parks and preserves, which includes Laguna Coast Wilderness Park and Aliso and Wood Canyons Wilderness Park.

We support the conditions to permanently dedicate the 2-acre McGraw property for open space, public access and habitat preservation. We also agree to own the acquired land in fee title and to lease the McGraw property to the County of Orange for management as public access and wildlife habitat as part of the wilderness park system.

Laguna Canyon Foundation has submitted a \$325,000 funding request to the Coastal Conservancy for the 2-acre McGraw parcel for parkland acquisition. We support the acquisition of the McGraw property for addition to the wilderness park system and ask that you approve the funding allocation for this property. Thank you for considering our request.

Sincerely,

John Pietig
City Manager

cc: Laguna Canyon Foundation



Laguna Canyon Conservancy

P.O.Box 1383
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September 26, 2011

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

Re: November 10, 2011 Coastal Conservancy Board Meeting
Proposition 12 funding distribution for McGraw property acquisition

Dear Chair Bosco and Directors,

Laguna Canyon Conservancy has supported the preservation of Laguna Canyon since the 1980s. Our organization managed the Walk of November 11, 1989. We have also helped to place many park bond measures on the state ballot. We were pleased with the passage of Proposition 12 in 2000 and the possibility of funding for many needed park-related projects throughout the state.

Laguna Canyon Foundation has a \$325,000 acquisition funding request for the McGraw parcel before your board on November 10, 2011. We support the funding request to acquire the 2-acre McGraw parcel. This addition will provide important habitat and linkage to our regional coastal park system.

Laguna Canyon Foundation has made remarkable progress with the addition of 252.5 acres to the South Coast Wilderness system of parks and preserves. We appreciate their efforts at this critical time for land preservation. Thank you for considering our request.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Wood
Carolyn Wood
President



Laguna Greenbelt, Inc.

a non-profit corporation

September 8, 2011

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

Re: November 10, 2011 Coastal Conservancy Board Meeting
Proposition 12 funding distribution for McGraw property acquisition

Dear Chair Bosco and Directors:

Laguna Greenbelt, Inc., is a long time non-profit community organization, dedicated to preserving land in the coastal canyons near Laguna Beach. In 2000, we actively supported Proposition 12, a state park bond measure.

At the November 10, 2011, Conservancy board meeting, Laguna Canyon Foundation will request \$325,000 for the acquisition of the 2-acre McGraw parcel in Laguna Canyon. We are happy to support the funding request to acquire this parcel. This addition will provide important habitat and linkage to our regional coastal park system.

The exemplary acquisition campaign by Laguna Canyon Foundation has to date resulted in the addition of 252.5 acres to the adjoining county wilderness parks (Laguna Canyon WP and Aliso & Wood Canyons WP). Their efforts meet the intent of the bond measure and greatly enhance our more than forty-year effort to preserve the coastal canyons in and around Laguna Beach.

Sincerely,

Elisabeth M. Brown

Elisabeth M. Brown, Ph.D.
President

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October 13, 2011

California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612-2530
Attn.: Douglas Bosco, Chairman of the Board of Directors

Re: Proposition 12 Funding Distribution for McGraw Property Acquisition

Dear Mr. Chairman and Members of the Board:

The County of Orange has supported the successful efforts of the Laguna Canyon Foundation's use of funding from the 2000 state park bond for additional parkland acquisitions, pre-acquisition support activities and the interpretive exhibits for the Nix Nature Center at Laguna Coast Wilderness Park. Their efforts have increased the South Coast Wilderness system of parks and preserves by 252.5 acres. The 22,000 acres of coastal canyon land includes two county parks.

The Foundation's current request before your Board is for the 2-acre "McGraw" property for open space, public access and habitat preservation. A total of \$325,000 is requested for acquisition and closing costs. OC Parks supports this funding request.

OC Parks staff will recommend to the Orange County Board of Supervisors that the County lease the property from the City of Laguna Beach, which will retain the fee title. This will allow the land to be managed as part of the County's Laguna Coast Wilderness Park and is consistent with previous acquisitions in this area.

We appreciate our cooperative partnership with the City of Laguna Beach and the Laguna Canyon Foundation to support efforts that further the intent of the park bond measure. Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely,



Mark Denny, Director



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