

STATE CAPITOL  
PO BOX 942849  
SACRAMENTO, CA 94249-0021  
(916) 319-2021  
FAX (916) 319-2121  
DISTRICT OFFICE  
6050 EL CAMINO REAL, SUITE 117  
LOS ALTOS, CA 94022  
(650) 691-2121  
FAX (650) 691-2120  
WEB  
[www.asm.ca.gov/a21](http://www.asm.ca.gov/a21)

Assembly  
California Legislature



RICHARD S. GORDON  
ASSEMBLYMAN, TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT

CHAIR  
BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE #3 ON  
RESOURCES AND TRANSPORTATION  
COMMITTEES  
BUDGET  
HEALTH  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
REVENUE & TAXATION  
SUBCOMMITTEES  
BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE #6 ON BUDGET  
PROCESS, OVERSIGHT AND PROGRAM  
EVALUATION  
JOINT COMMITTEES  
SUNSET REVIEW

May 2, 2012

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

Dear Chair Bosco:

I am pleased to offer my support of the County of Santa Clara Parks and Recreation Department's grant request for the Sanborn County Park Phase One Trail Construction Project.

This \$169,000 grant would assist in funding new trail construction, and re-construction of existing trails, totaling approximately 8 miles, at Sanborn County Park near Saratoga, in Santa Clara County. The project and grant request have been endorsed by the Bay Area Ridge Trail Council's Board of Directors at their March 8, 2012 meeting.

The Skyline and John Nicholas Trails are important parts of the Bay Area Ridge Trail system, and would be positively impacted by this project. The Skyline Trail directly connects with the Skyline Trail in Castle Rock State Park, and the connection (to be funded by the grant) will extend multi-use accessibility in the area. The John Nicholas Trail will provide a highly desired connection from Skyline to the Lake Ranch area of Sanborn County Park.

As this project will provide major improvements in public access for park visitors, I offer my enthusiastic support this grant request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard S. Gordon".

Assemblyman Richard S. Gordon

CC: Matt Gerhart, State Coastal Conservancy  
Jeff Melby, State Coastal Conservancy



STATE CAPITOL  
SACRAMENTO, CA 95814  
(916) 651-4011  
Fax (916) 323-4529

E-MAIL  
Senator.Simitian@sen.ca.gov

WEBSITE  
<http://www.senatorsimitian.com>

## California State Senate



**SENATOR**  
**S. JOSEPH SIMITIAN**  
ELEVENTH SENATE DISTRICT

**DISTRICT OFFICE**  
160 Town & Country Village  
Palo Alto, CA 94301  
(650) 688-6384  
Fax (650) 688-6370

**SATELLITE OFFICE**  
701 Ocean Street, Room 318A  
Santa Cruz, CA 95060  
(831) 425-0401  
Fax (831) 425-5124

May 8, 2012

Douglas Bosco, Chair  
Coastal Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Oakland, CA 94612

Re: Sanborn County Park Phase One Trail Construction Project

Dear Chair Bosco:

I am writing to express my support for the Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation Department's grant request for the Sanborn County Park Phase One Trail Construction Project.

This grant would help fund new trail construction and re-construction of existing trails totaling approximately 8 miles, at Sanborn County Park near Saratoga, in Santa Clara County. The Skyline and John Nicholas Trails are important parts of the Bay Area Ridge Trail system, and this project would help restore and improve those trails. (That's why this project and grant request were endorsed by the Bay Area Ridge Trail Council Board of Directors at their March meeting.) The Skyline Trail in Sanborn connects directly with the Skyline Trail in Castle Rock State Park, and the connection to be funded by this grant will extend multi-use accessibility in the area. The John Nicholas Trail will provide a highly desired connection from Skyline to the Lake Ranch area of Sanborn County Park.

This project will provide major improvements to public access for visitors to Sanborn County Park. I hope that you will give this grant request every favorable consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe Simitian".

S. Joseph Simitian  
State Senator, Eleventh District

CC: Matt Gerhart, State Coastal Conservancy  
Jeff Melby, State Coastal Conservancy

**Responsible Organized Mountain Pedalers**

P.O. Box 1723  
Campbell, CA 95009-1723

www.romp.org



**APR 26 2012**

April 24, 2012

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

Dear Mr. Bosco,

Responsible Organized Mountain Pedalers ("ROMP") is pleased to write this letter in support of the County of Santa Clara Parks and Recreation Department's grant request from the California State Coastal Conservancy, for the Sanborn County Park Phase One Trail Construction Project.

We greatly appreciate the efforts by the Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation Department to plan and develop an environmentally and socially sustainable multi-use trail system. Not only will the Sanborn Park project add and improve trails in Sanborn County Park, but it will also provide a very desirable connection from the Bay Area Ridge Trail system into Sanborn Park.

ROMP is a 25-year-old 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Our members have dedicated thousands of volunteer hours toward working with land managers to develop and maintain trails. We look forward to our ongoing partnerships with Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation and the Bay Area Ridge Trail Council.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [president@romp.org](mailto:president@romp.org) or (408) 996-1150.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, which appears to read "Linda George".

Linda George  
President, ROMP  
19538 Vineyard Lane  
Saratoga, CA 95070  
(408) 996-1150



Douglas Bosco, Chair  
Attn: Matt Gerhart  
Jeff Melby  
State Coastal Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor  
Oakland, CA 94612

April 16, 2012

Dear Chair Bosco,

The Bay Area Ridge Trail Council (Council) is pleased to serve in partnership with the Coastal Conservancy, assisting with a competitive grant program offering State funds for acquisition, planning, and construction of the Bay Area Ridge Trail. We are creating an uninterrupted 550+ mile multi-use path on the ridgelines around San Francisco Bay and over 335 miles are now dedicated to enjoy today and protected for future generations.

On March 8, 2012 the Council's Board of Directors voted to endorse a funding request from the Santa Clara County Parks Department (Department) for up to \$169,000 to help fund new Ridge Trail construction and existing Ridge Trail upgrades, totaling approximately 8 miles, at Sanborn County Park (Sanborn), near Saratoga, in Santa Clara County. Conservancy funds would be matched by approximately \$35,000 from the Department (along with \$60,000 of in-kind contributions).

Grant funds would be applied as follows:

- \$119,000 for construction of the John Nicholas Trail, a new 3.2 mile section of Ridge Trail, between Lake Ranch and Sunnyvale Mountain, where it will link to an existing Ridge Trail trailhead
- \$ 50,000 to upgrades the Skyline Trail, 4.9 miles of existing Ridge Trail, from Sunnyvale Mountain to the Summit Rock trailhead, where it links to newly-upgraded Ridge Trail at Castle Rock State Park.

A prior Conservancy grant (#04-147) helped support development of the trail plan for Sanborn. The new grant would fund the first of several phases of trail construction and upgrades based on the plan. The 8 miles of Ridge Trail to be completed in Phase 1 will result in 22 continuous miles of multi-use Ridge Trail in the region.

The Council is pleased to support this grant request based on significance for the Ridge Trail, and major improvements in public access for park visitors.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Janet McBride".

Janet McBride, Executive Director  
Bay Area Ridge Trail Council

