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September 10, 2012

Mr. Doug Bosco, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
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Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing to you in support of Save-the-Redwoods League's Shady Dell California Coastal Trail (CCT) grant application.

The goal of this project is to complete the planning, design, and permitting for approximately 2 miles of new CCT, at the southern end of the Lost Coast in Mendocino County. This trail planning project will enable the League, in partnership with the Mendocino Land Trust, to provide the public with new coastal trail hiking opportunities. California residents and visitors alike will benefit from completion of this new CCT segment.

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I urge you to approve the funding application for this most worthy project. If you have any questions, please feel free to call my office. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,


WESLEY CHESBRO
Assemblyman, 1st District

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Re: Planning Grant for Shady Dell Trail

Dear Mr. Bosco:

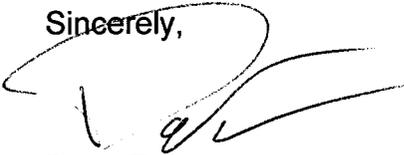
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We support this project and appreciate all of the Conservancy's conservation and trail efforts on the California Coast, particularly in rugged Mendocino County.

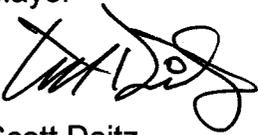
Sincerely,



Dave Turner
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cc: Louisa Morris, PO Box 1094, Mendocino, CA 95460



InterTribal Sinkyone Wilderness Council

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InterTribal Cultural Conservation for Sinkyone Indian Lands



September 12, 2012

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Re: Shady Dell Coastal Trail Project

Dear Chairman Bosco:

The InterTribal Sinkyone Wilderness Council, a nonprofit land and ocean conservation consortium comprised of ten federally recognized Northern California Indian Tribes, fully supports Save the Redwoods League's Shady Dell California Coastal Trail (CCT) grant application. The goal of this project is to complete the planning, design and permitting phase for approximately two miles of new CCT, situated at the southern end of the Lost Coast in northern Mendocino County. This trail-planning project will enable the League, in partnership with the Mendocino Land Trust, to provide the public with new coastal hiking opportunities. California residents and visitors alike will benefit from the completion of this new segment of the CCT.

The Conservancy invested \$3,000,000 in acquisition and protection of the Shady Dell property in 2011. Funding support from the Conservancy for coastal trail planning (Phase I) for this property during 2012 is a critically important step for moving this important project toward completion. The 957-acre Shady Dell property contains a variety of high-value habitats and ecosystems, including one mile of coastline, as well as riparian and forested habitat types and many communities of native wildlife and vegetation. The Shady Dell CCT will provide outstanding recreational and educational opportunities, and will enhance the public's access and enjoyment of our State's unrivaled Lost Coast region.

The Save the Redwoods League ownership at Shady Dell is adjacent to the 7,250-acre Sinkyone Wilderness State Park to the northwest and the 49,500-acre Redwood Forest Foundation property to the northeast, which was recently conserved through a working forest easement. To the north are the 4,000-acre InterTribal Sinkyone Wilderness properties, permanently protected through conservation easements, which lie between the Sinkyone Wilderness State Park and the Redwood Forest Foundation property and connect in the north to the protected 4,000-acre Upper Mattole River & Forest Cooperative lands and the 68,000-acre BLM King Range National Conservation Area (42,600 acres of which are designated federal wilderness). To the south of Shady Dell are lands owned by Soper-Wheeler Company, a private timberland manager. The Lost Coast represents the longest stretch of permanently protected coastal wilderness in the lower 48 states, beginning in the south with the Shady Dell property, and ending in north at the mouth of the Mattole River in the King Range National Conservation Area.

InterTribal Sinkyone Wilderness Council is a Nonprofit Consortium of California Indian Tribes

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The Shady Dell trail will parallel the west side of the Mendocino County Road #431 (Usal Road), cross Shady Dell Creek, wind through the "Trees of Mystery," and connect with the southern end of the existing Lost Coast Trail in the Sinkyone Wilderness State Park. The League is contributing 20% of the total project budget (\$19,670), and requests \$78,743 from the Coastal Conservancy. The total project budget is \$98,413.

The Sinkyone Council supports this project and appreciates the Conservancy's many conservation and trail efforts along the California Coast, particularly in the rugged coastal lands of Mendocino County. We also appreciate the exceptional work of both Save the Redwoods League and Mendocino Land Trust to protect and restore North Coast lands while providing increased opportunities for stewardship, recreation and education.

Thank you for your consideration of this important and worthy project.

Sincerely,



Priscilla Hunter
Chairwoman

cc: Karyn Gear, State Coastal Conservancy
Ruskin Hartley, Save the Redwoods League
Louisa Morris, Mendocino Land Trust



September 10, 2012

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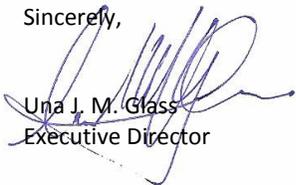
Coastwalk California is a 29 year old statewide nonprofit dedicated to coastal access, coastal preservation and the completion of the 1200 mile California Coastal Trail that will run unbroken from Oregon to Mexico. Many of our members have hiked the entire CCT to bring attention to gaps and barriers in completing this great long-distance trail. We support this project and appreciate the Conservancy's conservation and trail efforts, particularly in rugged Mendocino County.

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Sincerely,



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September 16, 2012

Mr. Doug Bosco, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
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Oakland, CA 94612

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As neighbors and prior owners of the Shady Dell property, the Redwood forest Foundation supports this project and appreciates the Conservancy's work on behalf of our organizations and the citizens of California to conserve the lands on the California Coast, particularly in rugged Mendocino County.

We appreciate your consideration of this matter and look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tom Tuchmann', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Thomas Tuchmann
Acting Executive Director
Redwood Forest Foundation