



Bay Area
Ridge
Trail
Council

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

September 12, 2011

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 330 miles are now dedicated to enjoy today and protected for future generations.

On September 8, 2011 the Ridge Trail Council Board of Directors voted to endorse a funding request from the East Bay Regional Park District (District) for up to \$125,000 to help fund construction and survey work on a segment of the historic Feeder Trail #1 near Martinez, in northern Contra Costa County. The majority of the grant would support construction of new drainage structures, regrading of the trail tread and hillside stabilization along 3 miles of the Feeder Trail, including 2 miles of Ridge Trail and 1 mile that will serve as a crucial connector route to the nearby community. A small portion of the grant would fund survey and title research for an adjacent 0.7 mile of the historic route to the west. Conservancy funds would be matched by approximately \$25,900 from the District.

This grant supports the next logical phase leading to re-opening the historic Feeder Trail. Previously, a small Conservancy-funded grant helped support survey and title research necessary for the District to secure property control. Construction will allow 3 miles of multi-use trail access from Franklin Canyon to Alhambra Valley and across Muir Heritage Land Trust's Sky Ranch. Views of the East Bay from Carquinez Strait to Mt. Diablo will be available once the trail reopens.

The Council is pleased to support this grant request based on significance for the Ridge Trail, as well as other public access and cultural benefits.

Sincerely,

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

Janet McBride, Executive Director
Bay Area Ridge Trail Council



GEORGE MILLER

7TH DISTRICT, CALIFORNIA

georgemiller.house.gov

2205 RAYBURN HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING
WASHINGTON, DC 20515-0507
(202) 225-2095

DANIEL WEISS
CHIEF OF STAFF

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION
AND THE WORKFORCE
SENIOR DEMOCRAT

DEMOCRATIC POLICY COMMITTEE
CHAIRMAN

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-0507

BARBARA JOHNSON
DISTRICT DIRECTOR

1333 WILLOW PASS ROAD
SUITE 203
CONCORD, CA 94520
(925) 602-1880

3220 BLUME DRIVE
SUITE 160
RICHMOND, CA 94806
(510) 262-6500

401 AMADOR STREET
VALLEJO, CA 94590
(707) 645-1888

September 19, 2012

Douglas Bosco, Chair
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Attn: Melanie Denninger

Re: Bay Area Ridge Trail – Martinez Feeder Trail #1

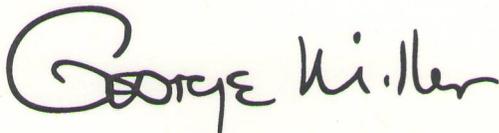
Dear Chair Bosco and Members of the Conservancy Board:

I am writing in strong support of East Bay Regional Park District's request for grant funding to aid in the construction of approximately 3 miles of a segment of the Bay Area Ridge Trail known as Martinez Feeder Trail #1, and surveying of an additional 0.7 mile- segment of the same trail, west of the City of Martinez in unincorporated Contra Costa County.

Construction and survey of these important trail segments will help connect all 550+ miles of the Bay Area Ridge Trail and provide open public access to stunning views and treasured open spaces.

I urge the Conservancy to give favorable consideration to this grant request.

With sincere regards,



George Miller
Member of Congress
7th District, California

CAPITOL OFFICE
STATE CAPITOL, ROOM 5035
SACRAMENTO, CA 95814
TEL (916) 651-4007
FAX (916) 445-2527

DISTRICT OFFICE
1350 TREAT BLVD., SUITE 240
WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597
TEL (925) 942-6082
FAX (925) 942-6087

SENATOR.DESAULNIER@SEN.CA.GOV
WWW.SEN.CA.GOV/DESAULNIER

California State Senate

SENATOR
MARK DESAULNIER
SEVENTH SENATE DISTRICT



CHAIR
TRANSPORTATION & HOUSING
BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE NO.3
ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

SELECT COMMITTEE ON
EXCELLENCE & INNOVATION
IN STATE GOVERNMENT

SELECT COMMITTEE ON
SMALL BUSINESS & THE
UNDERGROUND ECONOMY

SELECT COMMITTEE ON
RESTORING CALIFORNIA'S
MIDDLE CLASS

COMMITTEES
BUDGET & FISCAL REVIEW
ENERGY, UTILITIES &
COMMUNICATIONS

GOVERNANCE & FINANCE
HEALTH

LABOR & INDUSTRIAL
RELATIONS

September 20, 2012

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I write in strong support of the East Bay Regional Park District's funding application to the California Coastal Conservancy to allow for the construction of an approximately three mile stretch of the Bay Area Ridge Trail known as Martinez Feeder Trail #1, and surveying of an additional 0.7 mile- segment of the same trail, west of the City of Martinez in unincorporated Contra Costa County.

Construction and survey of these important trail segments will help connect all 550+ miles of the Bay Area Ridge Trail and provide open public access to stunning views and treasured open spaces. As the State Senator who represents the area where the proposed trail will be located, I respectfully request the Board's approval of this funding request which will afford my constituents greater access to this scenic property. If you have any additional questions about this worthwhile project, please feel free to contact me at (925) 942-6082.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark DeSaulnier".

MARK DESAULNIER

MD:sm



BOARD
OF DIRECTORS

Steve Hutchcraft
Chair

Denis Huston
Vice Chair

Paul Craig
Secretary

Robert D. Reynolds
Treasurer

Bob Aston
Diane Coventry
Eliot R. Hudson
Steven Kirby
Charles Lewis IV
Beth Mallonee
Louis E. Stoddard

STAFF

Linus Eukel
Executive Director

Johna Winters
Administrative Manager

Glen Lewis
Open Space Ranger

Gunther Korshak
*Membership & Development
Coordinator*

Carolina do Val Callao
Administrative Assistant

September 10, 2012

Douglas Bosco, Chair
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Attn: Melanie Denninger

Re: Bay Area Ridge Trail – Martinez Feeder Trail #1

Dear Chair Bosco and Members of the Conservancy Board:

I am writing on behalf of the Muir Heritage Land Trust Board of Directors in support of East Bay Regional Park District's request for grant funding to aid in the construction of approximately 3 miles of a segment of the Bay Area Ridge Trail known as Martinez Feeder Trail #1, and surveying of an additional 0.7-mile segment of the same trail, west of the City of Martinez in unincorporated Contra Costa County.

Construction and survey of these important trail segments will help connect all 550+ miles of the Bay Area Ridge Trail and provide open public access to stunning views and treasured open spaces.

I urge the Conservancy to give favorable consideration to this grant request.

With sincere regards,

Linus Eukel
Executive Director