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Douglas Bosco, Chairman
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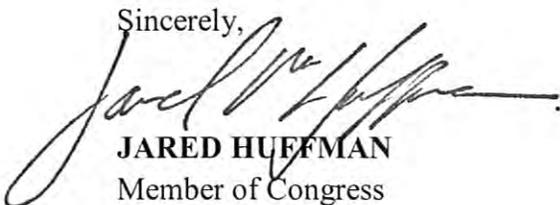
Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in strong support of the City of Fort Bragg's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their Noyo Center/Blue Whale Interpretive Program.

The Noyo Center/Blue Whale Interpretive Program will provide an exciting new coastal experience (a blue whale skeleton exhibit) in Fort Bragg. It will include nature education programs that will serve the largely rural and low income population and school children of Mendocino County and Lake County along with a visitor population of one million annual visitors. The program will provide opportunities to experience and learn about the ocean environment, marine mammals (most especially the blue whale), and engage in stewardship and restoration activities on the 82-acre Fort Bragg Coastal Trail property and the 11-acre Noyo Center property.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable the City of Fort Bragg to provide a powerful coastal experience to a large number of people. Thank you for your full and fair consideration of this worthwhile project.

Sincerely,



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Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
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Attn. Betsy Wilson

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The Noyo Center/Blue Whale Interpretive Program will provide an exciting new coastal experience, a blue whale skeleton exhibit in Fort Bragg. It will include nature education programs that will serve the largely rural and low income population and school children of Mendocino County along with approximately one million annual visitors. The program will provide opportunities to experience and learn about the ocean environment, marine mammals, especially the Blue whale. Visitors can also engage in stewardship and restoration activities on the 82-acre Fort Bragg Coastal Trail property and the 11-acre Noyo Center property.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable the City of Fort Bragg to provide a powerful coastal experience to a large number of people. I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,


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May 10, 2013

In reply Refer To:
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Friends of the Dunes
PO Box 186
Arcata CA 95518

Dear Carol,

It is my pleasure to write a letter of support for Friends of the Dunes (FOD). FOD has been a valued partner to the Arcata Field Office, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) for over 20 years.

We have collaborated for the last 8 years on Ocean Day. Ocean Day is an annual celebration and call to action for the protection of the world's oceans. Since 2005, FOD and BLM have brought ocean conservation literacy and promoted public land stewardship by hosting an event with 1000 students and chaperones at the Mike Thompson Wildlife Area, South Spit Humboldt Bay. Students receive in-classroom presentations on ocean conservation from FOD which is followed by a day at the beach removing invasive weeds and marine debris. The culminating event is the aerial art which demonstrates a global expression for ocean protection. FOD obtains grant funding each year to provide transportation resources and coordination support. BLM works closely with FOD to ensure the event is fun and safe for all that attend.

In 2012, BLM formalized the working relationship through a competitive grant agreement with FOD. Through this agreement BLM is able to grow environmental education programs and reach underserved schools by partnering with FOD and their popular and well-established Bay to Dunes program. Establishing this agreement has also allowed BLM and FOD to develop brochures highlighting local natural areas and beach access points. These outreach materials promote education, stewardship and recreation in Humboldt County.

In addition to outreach and environmental education, FOD is a neighboring land owner to the Ma-le'l Dunes Cooperative Management Area. BLM, FOD and USFWS successfully work together in managing and restoring one of the most pristine dune systems in the Pacific Northwest.

We feel confident that Friends of the Dunes will continue to offer quality programming and engage more students, families and volunteers in the exploration and conservation of local coastal habitats.

If you have any questions please contact me at (707) 825-2300.

Sincerely,

Lynda Roush
Arcata Field Manager



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May 7, 2013

Mr. Dick Wayman
California Coastal Conservancy
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Re: Humboldt Bay Connections grant application (Explore the Coast)

Dear Mr. Wayman:

I am writing to express enthusiastic support for Humboldt Baykeeper's *Humboldt Bay Connections* grant application under the Explore the Coast Competitive Grants Program. *Humboldt Bay Connections* proposes to increase awareness and access to bay resources. The project will outreach to lower income communities and promote public transit as a means of accessing coastal and bay resources. Additionally, Humboldt Baykeeper's proposed bilingual outreach element will encourage access for the region's Latino community. Finally, expansion of Humboldt Baykeeper's successful Bay Explorations boat tours will result in a larger constituency familiar with the environmental, economic, and cultural issues facing the Bay and the community that depends upon it.

Public access, education, and awareness of bay habitats, working waterfronts and agricultural wetlands will be served by this Program. As a nonprofit partner working with the Latino community, I believe that this program will provide a beneficial and important service to our families, and increase access to our Bay.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "John E. Avalos", written in a cursive style.

John E. Avalos
President
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May 6, 2013

Mr. Dick Wayman
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Re: Humboldt Bay Connections grant application (Explore the Coast)

Dear Mr. Wayman:

The Northcoast Environmental Center is a longstanding public trust organization devoted to the conservation and celebration of the terrestrial, aquatic, and marine ecosystems of the North Coast. As such, I am writing to express enthusiastic support for Humboldt Baykeeper's *Humboldt Bay Connections* grant application under the Explore the Coast Competitive Grants Program.

Humboldt Bay Connections proposes to increase awareness and access to bay resources. The project will outreach to lower income communities and promote public transit as a means of accessing coastal and bay resources. Additionally, Humboldt Baykeeper's proposed bilingual outreach element will encourage access for the region's underserved Latino community. Finally, expansion of Humboldt Baykeeper's successful Bay Explorations boat tours will result in a larger constituency familiar with the environmental, economic, and cultural issues facing the Bay and the community that depends upon it.

As a nonprofit environmental partner, I believe that this program will provide a beneficial and important service to our community and to the many travelers who stop to visit our Bay. We also believe that educational opportunities offered as part of this program will make way for a healthier Humboldt Bay, and a healthier coastal environment overall.

Sincerely,

Dan Ehresman
Executive Director



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Finally, expansion of Humboldt Baykeeper's successful Bay Explorations boat tours will result in a larger constituency familiar with the environmental, economic, and cultural issues facing the Bay and the community that depends upon it.

Public access, education, and awareness of bay habitats, working waterfronts and agricultural wetlands will be served by this Program. As 3rd District Supervisor for the County of Humboldt, I believe that this program will provide a beneficial and important service to our community and to the many travelers who stop to visit our Bay.

Sincerely,

Mark Lovelace, 3rd District Supervisor
County of Humboldt

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Douglas Bosco, Chairman
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Attn. Betsy Wilson

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in strong support of the Mattole Restoration Council's (MRC) application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their Get to Know the North Lost Coast project.

The Local Schools Involvement in Public Lands Signage part of the project would coordinate with the local public school classrooms in Petrolia and an artist to create student-made signs for use in the King Range National Conservation Area to deter off-road vehicle use into sensitive prairie habitat. Government signs for the same purpose were vandalized and disregarded. The student-made signs from 10 years ago, however, were honored.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable the local school kids to become involved in their public lands and help spread an important message about how to enjoy them. I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Rex Bohn, District 1
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May 7, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chair
California State Coastal Conservancy
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Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing to support the *Explore the Coast* grant proposal submitted by Mendocino Land Trust (MLT) to enable MLT to develop with partners an electronic and mobile computer application containing maps, natural and human history, and photos of 10-15 selected trails on the Mendocino Coast for public use, free of charge.

MLT, in its 34th year, has opened more coastal access sites than any other land conservation organization in the state and is well-positioned to coordinate this project. With an experienced staff and excellent reputation for providing public access to the Mendocino coast, MLT would use these funds to continue collaborative efforts with other stakeholders dependent on the California Coastal Trail to provide coastal access and conservation projects for the residents of Mendocino County as well as visitors from around the world. This project will also be an asset to the local economy while fostering appreciation for this unique and spectacular section of California's coast.

Thank you for your full consideration of this very worthy proposal and for your continued support of coastal conservation and public access in California.

Sincerely,



JARED HUFFMAN
Member of Congress

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May 8, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chair
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Re: "Explore the Coast" grant application, Mendocino Coast California Coastal Trail (CCT) "app" development

Dear Mr. Bosco:

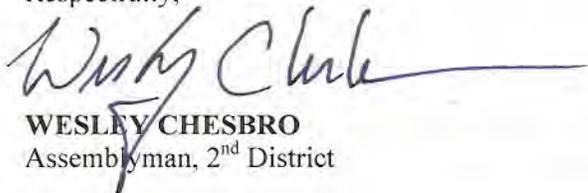
I strongly support the Mendocino Land Trust (MLT)'s "Explore the Coast" grant proposal to the State Coastal Conservancy. Funding of this proposal will enable the Mendocino Land Trust to collaborate with many coastal trail managers, enthusiasts, businesses, and others to develop a free-standing, download-able "app," with maps, natural and human history, and photos of 10-15 selected trails on the Mendocino Coast. Once completed, this online/mobile resource will be available free of charge to anyone that would like to use it.

According to a 2008 study, 63% of Mendocino County's visitors are from Sacramento, Silicon Valley and the Bay Area, all of which are technology-focused populations. Tourism supports over 2,000 jobs on the Mendocino Coast, and comprises the bulk of the county's annual income. Providing visitors with a useful tool in a smartphone-friendly format, with information on Mendocino's coastal recreation sites, will enhance their vacation experience. Local residents will also benefit from the smartphone "app" that Mendocino Land Trust will create if awarded a Conservancy "Explore the Coast" grant.

Mendocino Land Trust, in its 34th year, has opened more coastal access sites than any other land conservation organization in the state. MLT has an experienced staff and an excellent reputation of providing public access to the beautiful Mendocino coast. This funding will enable MLT to collaborate with other coastal trail managers, users, and businesses dependent on the CCT to continue our efforts to provide coastal access and conservation for the residents of Mendocino County as well as visitors from all over the world, contributing in a positive way to our local economy, and fostering appreciation for this unique and spectacular section of California's coast.

Thank you for your consideration of this very worthy proposal and for your continued support of coastal conservation and public access in California.

Respectfully,


WESLEY CHESBRO
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Cc: Mendocino Land Trust, PO Box 1094, Mendocino, CA 95460

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Re: Mendocino Coast California Coastal Trail (CCT) "app" development

Dear Chairman Bosco:

This letter is to demonstrate my support for the Mendocino Land Trust (MLT)'s "Explore the Coast" grant proposal to the State Coastal Conservancy. Funding of this proposal will enable the Mendocino Land Trust to collaborate with many coastal trail managers, enthusiasts, businesses, and others to develop a free-standing, downloadable "app," with maps, natural and cultural history, and photos of 10 to 15 selected trails on the Mendocino Coast. Once completed, this online/mobile resource will be available free of charge to anyone that would like to use it.

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Thank you for your consideration of this very worthy proposal.

Sincerely,

Noreen Evans
Senator, 2nd District

cc: Mendocino Land Trust

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Attn. Betsy Wilson

Re: Support for Sonoma Land Trust's Grant Request – Estero Americano Preserve Community Engagement Project

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in strong support of Sonoma Land Trust's application to the State Coastal Conservancy for an Explore the Coast Program grant to support their Estero Americano Preserve Community Engagement Project.

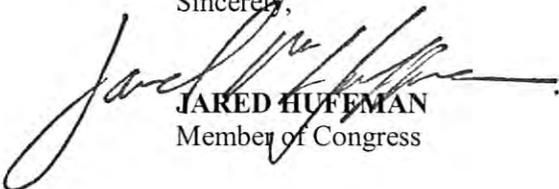
The Sonoma Land Trust Estero Americano Preserve Community Engagement Project seeks to broaden the range of educational and recreational programs available for the public to experience the Estero Americano tidal estuary. This stunning coastal landscape is relatively inaccessible to the general public, as most of the lands bordering the estuary are held in private ownership. Sonoma Land Trust's Estero Americano Preserve is one of the few places the public can experience this incredibly scenic place. This project seeks to remove barriers to increased public participation at the Preserve and create new ways of recreating that will inspire the next generation of conservation enthusiasts.

As a representative of California's North Coast, I appreciate the efforts of community organizations like Sonoma Land Trust to increase public awareness and appreciation for our vital and sensitive coastal landscapes.

These State Coastal Conservancy funds will help enable Sonoma Land Trust meet the increasing demand for community access to the Estero Americano by addressing legal questions associated with a complex road easement; pioneering new "On the Land" program activities; and developing additional recreational infrastructure and interpretive signage to enhance the public's experience.

Thank you for your full and fair consideration of this proposal.

Sincerely,



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**Re: Support for Sonoma Land Trust's Explore the Coast Grant Application – Estero
Americano Preserve Community Engagement Project**

Dear Chairman Bosco:

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The Sonoma Land Trust's Estero Americano Preserve Community Engagement Project seeks to broaden the range of educational and recreational programs available for the public to experience the Estero Americano tidal estuary. This stunning and rare coastal landscape is relatively inaccessible to the general public, as most of the lands bordering the estuary are held in private ownership. Sonoma Land Trust's Estero Americano Preserve is one of the few places the public can experience this incredibly scenic and biologically rich place. This project seeks to remove barriers to increased public participation at the Preserve and create new ways of recreating that will inspire the next generation of conservation enthusiasts.

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I encourage you to fund this important project. If you have any further questions, please feel free to call my office.

Respectfully,


WESLEY CHESBRO
Assemblyman, 2nd District

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cc: Shanti Edwards, Stewardship Project Manager – Sonoma Land Trust

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Re: Support for Sonoma Land Trust's Grant Request – Estero Americano Preserve Community Engagement Project

Dear Mr. Bosco:

As Fifth District Supervisor, I am writing to express my absolute support of Sonoma Land Trust's application to the State Coastal Conservancy for an Explore the Coast Program grant to fund their Estero Americano Preserve Community Engagement Project.

The Sonoma Land Trust Estero Americano Preserve Community Engagement Project seeks to broaden the range of educational and recreational programs available for the public to experience the Estero Americano tidal estuary. This stunning coastal landscape is relatively inaccessible to the general public, as most of the lands bordering the estuary are held in private ownership. Sonoma Land Trust's Estero Americano Preserve is one of the few places the public can experience this incredibly scenic place. This project seeks to remove barriers to increased public participation at the Preserve and create new ways of recreating that will inspire the next generation of conservation enthusiasts.

This funding will support Sonoma Land Trust efforts to meet the increasing demand for community access to the Estero Americano by addressing legal questions associated with a complex road easement; pioneering new "On the Land" program activities; and developing additional recreational infrastructure and interpretive signage to enhance the public's experience.

Thank you for your consideration of this worthy project.

Sincerely,

Efrén Carrillo
Supervisor, Fifth District

*Doug,
Thank you for your
continued support!
Efrén*



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September 3, 2013

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

Re: Support for Sonoma Land Trust's Grant Request – Estero Americano Preserve Community Engagement Project

Dear Mr. Bosco:

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These State Coastal Conservancy funds will help enable Sonoma Land Trust meet the increasing demand for community access to the Estero Americano by addressing legal questions associated with a complex road easement; pioneering new "On the Land" program activities; and developing additional recreational infrastructure and interpretive signage to enhance the public's experience. I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Brittany Heck
Executive Director

JARED HUFFMAN
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Attn. Betsy Wilson

Dear Mr. Bosco:

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The Dean Witter Foundation has committed \$25,000 for the new MEC (a mobile 399 square foot facility). Stewards of the Coast and Redwoods will also leverage their partnerships with California State Parks, Sonoma County Regional Parks, Sonoma County Tourism, the University of California's Bodega Bay Marine Laboratory (BML) and UC California Naturalist Programs to ensure the project's effectiveness. As the Congressional representative for California's North Coast, I appreciate the efforts of community organizations like the Stewards and its community partners to increase public awareness and appreciation for the coastal environment.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable Stewards to recruit and train ten additional docents/naturalists, provide 75 EcoAdventure experiences, serve 500 students with new programs, and educate 10,000 visitors at the MEC during the first year.

Thank you for your full and fair consideration of this proposal.

Sincerely,



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Attn. Betsy Wilson

Re: Support for Stewards of the Coast and Redwoods' Explore the Coast Grant Application – Sonoma Coast Marine Education Program: Bodega Head Expansion Project

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I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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NOREEN EVANS
Senator, 2nd District

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Attn. Betsy Wilson

RE: Sonoma Coast Marine Education Program: Bodega Head Expansion Project

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I encourage you to fund this important project. If you have any further questions, please call my office.

Respectfully,

WESLEY CHESBRO
Assemblyman, 2nd District

cc: Michele Luna; Executive Director, Stewards of the Coast & Redwoods

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September 3, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
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Dear Mr. Bosco:

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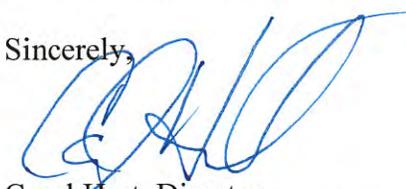
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I encourage you to fund this important project.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Caryl Hart, Director
Sonoma County Regional Parks

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September 4, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
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Attn. Betsy Wilson

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in strong support of Stewards of the Coast and Redwoods' application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their Sonoma Coast Marine Education Program: Bodega Head Expansion Project.

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I encourage you to fund this important project.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kenneth Fischang".

Kenneth Fischang, CHME, CMP, CTA
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July 23, 2013

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

Dear Chairman Bosco:

Re: Support for authorization of a grant to Acterra in support of their Bay Trail Enhancement Project

I write to express my support for Acterra's grant proposal to the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program, which would support their Bay Trail Enhancement Project in East Palo Alto.

The Bay Trail Enhancement Project will bring Acterra together with public and nonprofit partners and community members to restore a 1.3 mile stretch of the regional Bay Trail. The project will help bring people to the coast by offering a variety of volunteer stewardship opportunities to local and underserved youth and adults, and by increasing the trail's recreational, educational, biological and aesthetic value for East Palo Alto residents and for the broader public. It is part of a larger regional effort to restore this economically and environmentally-depressed area by improving open spaces both for people and for wildlife.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable Acterra to: 1) hold a series of community events that draw people to the Bay Trail for stewardship, learning and recreation, 2) launch a Junior Bay Steward Program targeting underserved East Palo Alto youth, 3) provide Citizen Science opportunities that involve local children and families in water quality monitoring along the trail, and 4) create interpretive signage and web-based materials that increase trail users' understanding of the plant and animal life along the trail.

I believe this is a worthwhile project, which will provide multiple benefits not only to the disadvantaged community of East Palo Alto, but to the many other Bay Area visitors who use this regional trail.

Sincerely,

Richard S. Gordon
Assemblyman, Twenty-Fourth District

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August 12, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13
Oakland, CA 94612
Attn. Betsy Wilson

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I enthusiastically support Acterra's grant proposal to the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program, which would fund their Bay Trail Enhancement Project in East Palo Alto.

The Bay Trail Enhancement Project will bring Acterra together with public and nonprofit partners and community members to restore a 1.3 mile stretch of the regional Bay Trail running through the city of East Palo Alto. The project will help bring more people to the coast by offering a variety of volunteer stewardship opportunities to local and underserved youth and adults, and by increasing the trail's recreational, educational, biological and aesthetic value for East Palo Alto residents and for the broader public. It is part of a larger regional effort to restore this economically- and environmentally-depressed area to health and create improved open spaces both for people and for wildlife.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable Acterra to: 1) hold a series of community events that draw people out to the Bay Trail for stewardship, learning and recreation, 2) launch a Junior Bay Steward Program targeting underserved East Palo Alto youth, 3) provide Citizen Science opportunities that involve local children and families in water quality monitoring along the trail, and 4) create interpretive signage and web-based materials that increase trail users' understanding of the plant and animal life along the trail.

I hope you approve funding for this important and worthwhile project, which will provide multiple benefits not only to the disadvantaged community of East Palo Alto, but to the many other Bay Area visitors who use this regional trail. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Paul Fong
California State Assemblymember, 28th District

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August 13, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
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Oakland, CA 94612-2530
Attention: Betsy Wilson

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am pleased to submit this letter in support of Acterra's grant proposal to the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to fund the Bay Trail Enhancement Project in East Palo Alto located in the lower San Francisquito Watershed.

The Bay Trail Enhancement Project will bring Acterra together with public and nonprofit partners and community members to restore a 1.3-mile stretch of the regional Bay Trail running through the city of East Palo Alto. The project will draw more people to the coast by offering a variety of volunteer stewardship opportunities to local and underserved youth and adults, as well as increasing the trail's recreational, educational, biological and aesthetic value for both East Palo Alto residents and the broader community. The project is part of a larger regional effort to restore this economically and environmentally depressed area to health and to create improved open spaces for people and wildlife.

The proposed grant would enable Acterra to: 1) hold a series of community events that attract people to the Bay Trail for stewardship, learning and recreation, 2) launch a Junior Bay Steward Program targeting underserved East Palo Alto youth, 3) provide Citizen Science opportunities that involve local children and families in water quality monitoring, and 4) create interpretive signage and web-based materials that increase trail users' understanding of the plant and animal life along the trail.

Please approve funding for this critical project that will provide multiple benefits not only for East Palo Alto, but also for the entire San Francisquito Watershed. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Maryann Moise Derwin
Council member, Portola Valley Town Council

cc: Alex Von Feldt, Acterra Stewardship Program Director

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May 3, 2013

Ms. Amy Hutzell
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Subject: Support for SF Bay Trail/Canogle “Explore the Coast” Grant Application

Dear Ms. Hutzell:

The East Bay Regional Park District supports the San Francisco Bay Trail Project’s application for \$50,000 in grant funding from the Coastal Conservancy’s “Explore the Coast” grant program. Their plan to partner with a new Bay Area company—“Canogle”—to create a Bay Trail “app”, or application for mobile phones is truly exciting. The application will provide users with a set of trailside tools including maps with a geo-locate function, history of the site, current points of interest, photos, and interpretive audio tours.

We are pleased that the Bay Trail Project has chosen a location along the Richmond shoreline as one of four sites to feature. We look forward to partnering with Bay Trail and Canogle staff to assist with development of the materials should the grant be awarded.

If you need any further information, please contact me at jrasmussen@ebparks.org or 510-544-2204.

Sincerely,

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Jeff Rasmussen
Grants Manager

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May 3, 2013

Ms. Amy Hutzell
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Subject: Support for SF Bay Trail/Canogle "Explore the Coast" Grant Application

Dear Ms. Hutzell:

As the Superintendent of Rosie the Riveter/WWII Home Front National Historical Park I support the San Francisco Bay Trail Project's application for \$50,000 in grant funding from the Coastal Conservancy's "Explore the Coast" grant program. Their plan to partner with a new Bay Area company—"Canogle"—to create a Bay Trail "app", or application for mobile phones is truly exciting. The application will provide users with a set of trailside tools including maps with a geo-locate function, history of the site, current points of interest, photos, and interpretive audio tours.

We are pleased that the Bay Trail Project has chosen a location along the Richmond shoreline as one of four sites to feature. We look forward to partnering with Bay Trail and Canogle staff to assist with development of the materials should the grant be awarded.

Sincerely,

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Tom Leatherman
General Superintendent



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April 29, 2013

Ms. Amy Hutzell
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Subject: Support for SF Bay Trail/Canogle “Explore the Coast” Grant Application

Dear Ms. Hutzell:

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service supports the San Francisco Bay Trail Project’s application for \$50,000 in grant funding from the Coastal Conservancy’s “Explore the Coast” grant program. Their plan to partner with a new Bay Area company—“Canogle”—to create a Bay Trail “app”, or application for mobile phones is truly exciting. The application will provide users with a set of trailside tools including maps with a geo-locate function, history of the site, current points of interest, photos, and interpretive audio tours.

We are pleased that the Bay Trail Project has chosen a location in the South Bay at the Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge as one of four sites to feature. As the manager of the Bay Trail at Ravenswood and Moffett Field, we look forward to partnering with the Bay Trail Project and Canogle staff to assist with development of the materials should the grant be awarded.

Sincerely,

Eric Mruz
Refuge Manager
Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge





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Ms. Amy Hutzel
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Subject: Support for SF Bay Trail/Canogle "Explore the Coast" Grant Application

Dear Amy:

Citizens for East Shore Parks supports the San Francisco Bay Trail Project's application for \$50,000 in grant funding from the Coastal Conservancy's "Explore the Coast" grant program. Their plan to partner with a new Bay Area company—"Canogle"—to create a Bay Trail "app", or application for mobile phones is truly exciting. The application will provide users with a set of trailside tools including maps with a geo-locate function, history of the site, current points of interest, photos, and interpretive audio tours.

We are pleased that the Bay Trail Project has chosen a location along the Richmond and McLaughlin Eastshore State Park shoreline as one of four sites to feature. We look forward to partnering with Bay Trail and Canogle staff to assist with development of the materials should the grant be awarded. This project will dovetail nicely with our proposed project to educate the public about the history of our East Bay shoreline, including the reclamation and repurposing of old landfills and industrial sites to be used as park lands.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patricia V. Jones". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "P" and "J".

Patricia Vaughan Jones
Executive Director

Cc: Robert Cheasty



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Subject: Support for SF Bay Trail/Canogle “Explore the Coast” Grant Application

Dear Ms. Hutzel:

The Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District supports the San Francisco Bay Trail Project’s application for \$50,000 in grant funding from the Coastal Conservancy’s “Explore the Coast” grant program. Their plan to partner with a new Bay Area company—“Canogle”—to create a Bay Trail “app”, or application for mobile phones, is truly exciting. The application will provide users with a set of trailside tools including maps with a geo-locate function, history of the site, current points of interest, photos, and interpretive audio tours.

We are pleased that the Bay Trail Project has chosen a location in the South Bay at the Ravenswood Open Space Preserve as one of four sites to feature. The District manages Ravenswood in partnership with the City of East Palo Alto’s Cooley Landing Park, so this location provides an important opportunity to connect a diverse community to the Bay Trail. We would look forward to partnering with the Bay Trail Project and Canogle staff to assist with development of the materials should the grant be awarded.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen E. Abbors".

Stephen E. Abbors
General Manager

Cc: MROSD Board of Directors



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April 30, 2013

Ms. Amy Hutzell
State Coastal Conservancy
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Subject: Support for SF Bay Trail/Canogle “Explore the Coast” Grant Application

Dear Ms. Hutzell:

Friends of Five Creeks enthusiastically supports the San Francisco Bay Trail Project’s application for \$50,000 in grant funding from the Coastal Conservancy’s “Explore the Coast” grant program. Their plan to create a Bay Trail “app”, or application for mobile phones, should significantly enrich both users’ experience of the trail and their understanding of local history and environment . This is critical for ongoing, knowledgeable support for environmental efforts in our area., including the work of the Coastal Conservancy.

My understanding is that the application will provide users with a set of trailside tools including maps with a geo-locate function, history of the site, current points of interest, photos, and interpretive audio tours. The choice of the Richmond shoreline as one of four areas is excellent. The area has long stretches of continuous and popular trail; the environment is varied and attractive; and the history is fascinating. Knowledgeable resources such as the Rosie the Riveter Park and Trails for Action Committee, as well as Friends of Five Creeks, will help supply rich materials. We look forward to partnering to assist with development of the materials should the grant be awarded.

Sincerely,

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May 1, 2013

Ms. Amy Hutzal, SF Bay Area Program Manager
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Subject: Support for SF Bay Trail/Canogle "Explore the Coast" Grant Application

Dear Ms. Hutzal:

TRAC, the Trails for Richmond Action Committee, supports the San Francisco Bay Trail Project's application for \$50,000 in grant funding from the Coastal Conservancy's "Explore the Coast" grant program. TRAC applauds their timely plan to partner with a new Bay Area company—"Canogle"—to create a Bay Trail "app" for mobile phones providing an on site set of trailside tools including maps with a geo-locate function, history of sites, current points of interest, photos, and interpretive audio tours.

We are pleased that Richmond's southern shoreline between Point Isabel and the Craneway Pavilion will be one of the areas featured on the app. This section of shoreline is blessed with rich natural and cultural resources and includes the Rosie the Riveter/WWII Home Front National Historical Park, McLaughlin Eastshore State Park, Point Isabel Regional Shoreline and four City of Richmond shoreline parks.

TRAC looks forward to partnering with Bay Trail and Canogle staff to assist with development of the materials should the grant be awarded.

Sincerely,

Bruce Beyaert, TRAC Chair



**Napa County Regional Park
and Open Space District**

John Woodbury
General Manager

April 29, 2013
Ms. Amy Hutzal
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Subject: Support for SF Bay Trail/Canogle “Explore the Coast” Grant Application

Dear Ms. Hutzal:

The Napa County Regional Park and Open Space District supports the San Francisco Bay Trail Project’s application for \$50,000 in grant funding from the Coastal Conservancy’s “Explore the Coast” grant program. Their plan to partner with a new Bay Area company—“Canogle”—to create a Bay Trail “app”, or application for mobile phones is truly exciting. The application will provide users with a set of trailside tools including maps with a geo-locate function, history of the site, current points of interest, photos, and interpretive audio tours.

We are pleased that the Bay Trail Project has chosen a location in Napa County as one of four sites to feature. As the manager of trails at the Napa Plant Site Restoration Project on behalf of the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, we look forward to partnering with Bay Trail and Canogle staff to assist with development of the materials should the grant be awarded.

When we constructed this segment of the Bay Trail in 2011, we installed several interpretive panels that were linked with a “first generation” app that provides a smart phone-based audio supplement to the interpretive panels. The Bay Trail proposal, if implemented, would help expand this into a fully-integrated system with substantive content.

Sincerely,

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

John Woodbury
General Manager
Napa County Regional Park and Open Space District

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August 26, 2013

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in strong support of the Berkeley Racing Canoe Center's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their Berkeley Dragon Boat Youth Access Project.

The Berkeley Dragon Boat Youth Access Project will allow BRCC to expand its activities with local and at-risk youth. It will allow more youth to experience the waters of San Francisco Bay directly, and gain a new appreciation for their physical and cultural relationship to the shoreline, the Bay and their maritime heritage.

BRCC and its volunteer paddlers and steerspeople have hosted several on-the-water excursions for youth from our organization over the last several years, and they have all been extremely well received. A picture of Dragon Boating with BRCC for our Learn To SOAR academy youth can be found at our website: http://soarforyouth.org/learn_2013_montagei.html. These opportunities make a huge difference. Making this experience available to every youth who lives within reach of the shoreline should be a high priority.

I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Diana Brown
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August 26, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
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Attn: Betsy Wilson

I am writing in strong support of the Berkeley Racing Canoe Center's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their Berkeley Dragon Boat Youth Access Project.

I have been involved with Boy Scouts of America for approximately nine years. At the unit level, I am an adult leader in Troop 201, San Ramon. At the district level, I am on the advancement committee for Meridian District of BSA. At the council level, I am on the Aquatics Committee for the Mt. Diablo Silverado Council. The Dragon Boat program is important to me. This summer, I worked with the Dragon Boat Access Project to assist scouts who were preparing for canoe and kayak activities at Boy Scout Camp. My goal was to introduce the young scouts to paddling water sports to increase safety and confidence with the activities.

While it is on behalf of Boy Scouts of America Mt. Diablo Council, Meridian District and Troop 201 that I am writing this letter of support, it is also important to give my professional perspective on providing activities to our youth that increase their positive use of leisure time and increase self-confidence. I am a licensed psychologist working at one of our state prisons, California Medical Facility in Vacaville. Many of the inmates at this institution were not exposed to positive uses of recreational time. Instead, many inmates learned at a young age to use their spare time in self-destructive ways. In fact, Recreation Therapists are part of our mental health services department staff. Their main objective is to teach inmates how to use leisure time constructively. Based on my experiences and observations at California Medical Facility, I see programs like the Dragon Boat Program as having far reaching positive consequences for at-risk youth.

It is my understanding that the Berkeley Dragon Boat Youth Access Project will allow BRCC to expand its activities with local and at-risk youth. I have often enjoyed watching the Dragon Boats paddle in and around the Berkeley Marina. All the participants seemed to be having fun while learning valuable skills. Making this experience available to every youth who lives in and around Berkeley should be a high priority.

I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Virginia Luchetti, Ed.D.
Boy Scouts of America
Mt. Diablo Silverado Council
Aquatics Committee

Exhibit 3 - Project Letters

August 28, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
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Attn. Betsy Wilson

Dear Mr. Bosco:

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BRCC and its volunteer paddlers and steerspeople have hosted several on-the-water excursions for youth from our organization over the last several years, and they have all been extremely well received. These opportunities make a difference. Making this experience available to every youth who lives within reach of the shoreline should be a high priority. I am attached a photo from an outing our group went on last summer – it was for most of the kids, the first time they had ever been on the Bay in a boat.

I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration. Feel free to contact me should you like further clarification.

Sincerely,

Louise Rafkin
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8/30/2013

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The Berkeley Dragon Boat Youth Access Project will allow BRCC to expand its activities with local and at-risk youth. It will allow more youth to experience the waters of San Francisco Bay directly, and gain a new appreciation for their physical and cultural relationship to the shoreline, the Bay and their maritime heritage.

BRCC and its volunteer paddlers and steerspeople have hosted several on-the-water excursions for youth from our organization over the last several years, and they have all been extremely well received. In addition, BRCC has generously donated dragon boat excursions to our annual fundraising auction for several years. Aside from raising considerable cash for our own programs, these paddling excursions have enabled many youth to experience the Bay first-hand. Making this experience available to every youth who lives within reach of the shoreline should be a high priority.

I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Eden Chan
Administrative Director
The Mosaic Project

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August 12, 2013

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in strong support of KIDS for the BAY's application for grant funding from State Coastal Conservancy's "Explore the Coast" program. As the representative for California's 13th Congressional district, I am pleased to support organizations such as KIDS for the BAY that promote environmental stewardship and education in the young people of the East Bay.

Children living in inland, urban areas—particularly in low-income neighborhoods—have very few opportunities to visit the Pacific Ocean or the San Francisco Bay and make a connection with the coastal environment. However, all of us, no matter where we live, directly impact the coastal environment in our everyday lives. In the Watershed Action Program, KIDS for the BAY partners with low-income, urban, multicultural schools to make connections to the coastal environment meaningful to school students, their teachers and families. These significant connections provide reasons to care about keeping the local watershed and coastal environment clean and healthy. Their programs show how garbage can kill marine animals and pollute remote beaches in other parts of the world. They also empower students to take action to help solve problems of marine debris and reduce storm drain pollution, which pollutes the entire creek-bay-ocean watershed ecosystem.

KIDS for the BAY's Watershed Action Program fills an important gap in the resources and capacity for our schools to educate students and provide professional development for teachers regarding the coastal environment. Funding from the Explore the Coast grant program will help KIDS for the BAY to take students who would not otherwise have this opportunity on exciting, educational field trips to the San Francisco Bay and Pacific Ocean as a highlight of a comprehensive, in-depth, environmental education program. Therefore, I would like to request full and fair consideration of funding this request, which is certain to have positive impacts on our youth and environment. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Barbara Lee
Member of Congress

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August 13, 2013

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I'm writing in strong support of KIDS for the BAY's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their Watershed Action Program.

The acquisition of this pivotal funding will support KIDS for the BAY's goal to educate our children while concurrently promoting environmental awareness and appreciation of the Bay Area.

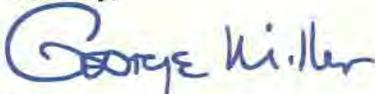
Children living inland, in urban areas - particularly in low-income neighborhoods - have few opportunities to visit the Pacific Ocean or the San Francisco Bay so that they can make a personal connection with their coastal environment. In the Watershed Action Program, KIDS for the BAY (KftB) partner with low-income, urban, multicultural schools to facilitate opportunities for meaningful connections to the coastal environment for all the participants-school students, their teachers and their families. These significant connections provide reasons to care about keeping the local watershed and coastal environment clean and healthy. The Watershed Action Program show how our waste can kill marine animals and pollute remote beaches in other parts of the world. KftB help empower students to take action by helping to solve problems like marine debris and storm drain pollution which pollutes the entire creek-bay-ocean watershed ecosystem.

The most meaningful connection a child can make is to experience the coast and Bay environment firsthand as part of a valuable environmental learning activity. Due to rising transportation costs, shrinking public school budgets and lack of professional development opportunities in environmental education for teachers, it is becoming even more difficult for schools to provide this important educational experience. Funding from the Explore the Coast grant program will help KIDS for the BAY offer to students who would not otherwise have this opportunity a chance to benefit from this comprehensive, in-depth, environmental education program.

I encourage you to fully fund this important project. Please advise me of your decision as soon as possible.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress
11th District of California

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August 8, 2013

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in strong support of KIDS for the BAY's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their Watershed Action Program.

As an elementary school teacher working with 4th and 5th graders in Richmond and Oakland for the past two years, I have seen first hand the impact of the Watershed Action Program in my classroom. From the highly engaging lessons that allow kids to investigate and understand our watershed, to the action project that helps students to become advocates for the environment, Kids for the Bay is always one of my students favorite parts of the school year. As a teacher I love the program because it is an invaluable curricular resource while also targeting the grade level standards for science and social studies. But perhaps most importantly, I've seen my kids share with their families and community what they've learned with genuine enthusiasm and knowledge.

Children living in in-land, urban areas - particularly in low-income neighborhoods - have very few opportunities to visit the Pacific Ocean or the San Francisco Bay and make a connection with the coastal environment. However, all of us, no matter where we live, directly impact the coastal environment in our everyday lives. In the Watershed Action Program, KIDS for the BAY (KfB) partners with low-income, urban, multicultural schools to make connections to the coastal environment meaningful to school students, their teachers and families. These significant connections provide reasons to care about keeping the local watershed and coastal environment clean and healthy. We show how our garbage can kill marine animals and pollute remote beaches in other parts of the world. We empower students to take action to help solve problems of marine debris and reduce storm drain pollution, which pollutes the entire creek-bay-ocean watershed ecosystem.

The most meaningful connection a child can make is to directly experience the coast and bay environment as part of a valuable environmental learning experience. Due to rising transportation costs, shrinking public school budgets and lack of professional development opportunities in environmental education for teachers, it is becoming more and more difficult for schools to provide this important educational experience. Funding from the Explore the Coast grant program will help KIDS for the BAY to takes students who would not otherwise have this opportunity on exciting, educational field trips to the San Francisco Bay and Pacific Ocean as a highlight of a comprehensive, in-depth, environmental education program. I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Annika Rudback
4th Grade Teacher

August 8, 2013

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing to offer my strongest recommendation of KIDS for the BAY's application for grant funding within the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program, to support the Watershed Action Program. As president of the KIDS for the BAY Advisory Board and a longtime donor, I have come to greatly respect the work of this impactful environmental education organization. The brilliance and uniqueness of KIDS for the BAY's leadership is evidenced in its work bringing children into their local environments to study nature up close and hands-on. KIDS for the BAY helps unfurl in a child a profound sense of wonder and understanding about the living environment. As deputy director of the San Francisco-based Goldman Environmental Prize, which recognizes global grassroots environmental leadership, I see strong similarities between KIDS for the BAY's impact on protecting bay environments through empowering children and the efforts of local leaders in other countries in working with their own communities to safeguard natural resources.

Children living in inland, urban areas of the Bay Area—particularly in low-income neighborhoods—have very few opportunities to visit the Pacific Ocean or the San Francisco Bay and make a connection with their own coastal environment. Yet, all of us, no matter where we live, directly impact the coastal environment in our everyday lives. In its Watershed Action Program, KIDS for the BAY partners with low-income, urban, multicultural schools to make meaningful connections between school students, their families and teachers and the bay and coastal ecosystems. These connections help illuminate for community members the reasons to care about keeping their watersheds and coastal environments clean and healthy. We show children how our garbage and storm drain runoff can kill marine animals and pollute remote beaches in other parts of the world. We then empower students to take action to help solve such problems.

One of the most meaningful connections a child can make to the larger world is through directly experiencing their natural environment, and KIDS for the BAY provides a clear path to doing so. Due to rising transportation costs, shrinking public school budgets and lack of professional development opportunities in environmental education for teachers, it is becoming increasingly difficult for schools to provide this important educational experience. Funding from the Explore the Coast grant program will help KIDS for the BAY take students, who would not otherwise have this opportunity, on exciting, educational field trips to the San Francisco Bay and Pacific Ocean as a highlight of a comprehensive, in-depth, environmental education program. I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Leilani Alo
President, KIDS for the BAY Advisory Board

Exhibit 3 - Project Letters

MIKE THOMPSON

1ST DISTRICT, CALIFORNIA

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Douglas Bosco, Chairman
Attn: Amy Hutzel
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Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in enthusiastic support of the East Bay Regional Park District's (EBRPD) grant application to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program for \$50,000 to support the Parks Express Program. The Parks Express Program is a community outreach tool providing low cost transportation to East Bay Regional Parks. It serves low-income schools, groups serving children from economically-challenged families, seniors, and people with disabilities in Alameda and Contra Costa counties.

If awarded, this grant will allow the District to provide additional low cost transportation to shoreline parks throughout the region. In addition, award of this grant will allow the District to expand implementation of its Healthy Parks – Healthy People initiative which connects individual and community health with accessible, well-managed parks.

I strongly support this important asset to our community and favorably recommend support for the Parks Express Program to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Thompson".

MIKE THOMPSON
Member of Congress

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Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in support of the East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD)'s application to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program. I understand that EBRPD has submitted a proposal requesting \$50,000 to support their Parks Express Program.

The Parks Express Program is a community outreach tool providing low-cost transportation to East Bay Regional Parks. It serves low-income schools, groups serving children from economically challenged families, seniors, and people with disabilities in Alameda and Contra Costa counties. If awarded, this grant will allow the District to provide additional transportation to shoreline parks throughout the region, expanding on its current Parks Express Program. In addition, I understand that this grant award will allow the District to expand implementation of its "Healthy Parks – Healthy People" initiative, which connects individual and community health groups with accessible, well-managed parks.

As an independent special district with an elected Board, EBRPD currently works with all 33 cities and towns in the East Bay region, as well as with businesses, non-profits and other government agencies. Moreover, EBRPD plays a critical role in the wellness of our region by administering 112,000 acres of accessible parkland, 1,200 miles of trails, and thousands of education, recreation and interpretive programs. Reducing barriers to park access through subsidized transportation is a critical service of the District.

Therefore, I am pleased to express my support for EBRPD and this proposal, while requesting your full and fair consideration for funding this project. Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Barbara Lee
Member of Congress

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The Parks Express Program is a community outreach tool providing low cost transportation to East Bay Regional Parks. It serves low-income schools, groups serving children from economically-challenged families, seniors, and people with disabilities in the counties of Alameda and Contra Costa Counties.

If awarded, this grant will allow the District to provide additional low cost transportation to shoreline parks throughout the region. In addition, award of this grant will allow the District to expand implementation of its Healthy Parks – Healthy People initiative which connects individual and community health with accessible, well-managed parks.

I urge you to give this proposal very careful consideration and fully fund their request. Please advise me of your decision as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



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Dear Mr. Bosco:

I write in support of the East Bay Regional Park District's application to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program for support of their Parks Express Program.

The Parks Express Program provides low-income schools, families, seniors and those with disabilities with low cost transportation to the District's Parks. Funding through this grant will allow the District to continue providing low cost transportation to shoreline parks throughout the region.

In addition, award of this grant will allow the District to expand implementation of its Healthy Parks - Healthy People initiative which connects individual and community health with accessible, well-managed parks.

I strongly support the East Bay Regional Park District's application and appreciate your consideration of their submittal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ellen M. Corbett".

ELLEN M. CORBETT
Senate Majority Leader

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May 8, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
Attn: Amy Hutzel
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I enthusiastically support the East Bay Regional Park District grant application to the California Coastal Conservancy Explore the Coast grant program. The grant application is for \$50,000 to support the Parks Express Program. The Parks Express Program is a community outreach tool providing low cost transportation to East Bay Regional Parks. It serves low-income schools, groups serving children from economically-challenged families, seniors, and people with disabilities in Alameda and Contra Costa counties.

If awarded, this grant will allow the District to provide additional low cost transportation to shoreline parks throughout the region. In addition, this grant will allow the District to expand implementation of its Healthy Parks – Healthy People initiative which connects individual and community health with accessible, well-managed parks.

I strongly endorse this important asset to our community and favorably recommend support for the Parks Express Program to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program.

Sincerely,

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LOIS WOLK
Senator, 3rd District

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May 9, 2013

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 grant application to the California Coastal Conservancy's "Explore the Coast" grant program in the amount of \$50,000 for the District's Parks Express Program.

The Parks Express Program is a community outreach tool providing low cost transportation to East Bay Regional Parks which serves low-income schools, groups serving children from economically-challenged families, seniors, and people with disabilities throughout Contra Costa and Alameda Counties.

If awarded, this grant will allow the District to provide additional low cost transportation to shoreline parks throughout the region. In addition, this grant will allow the District to expand implementation of its Healthy Parks – Healthy People initiative which directly connects individual and community health with accessible, well-managed parks – a program I have been a strong supporter of.

As the State Senator who represents the area where many of the District's parks are located, I respectfully request the Board's approval of this funding request which will afford my constituents greater access to the East Bay Regional Parks' vast network of recreational opportunities. 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 blue ink that reads "Mark Desaulnier".

MARK DESAULNIER

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May 7, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
Attn: Amy Hutzell
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing to express my support for the the East Bay Regional Park District's (EBRPD) grant application to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant. The Parks Express Program is a community outreach tool providing low cost transportation to East Bay Regional Parks throughout the region. This important program serves low-income schools, community based organizations for children from low-income families, seniors, and disabled adults in both Alameda and Contra Costa Counties.

I strongly support this important asset to our community and favorably recommend support for the Parks Express Program to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program. Thank you for your consideration and we truly appreciate your support of this project which will greatly benefit our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bill Quirk".

Bill Quirk
Assemblyman, 20th District

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May 8, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
Attn: Amy Hutzell
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Bosco:

On behalf of the State of California's Fourteenth Assembly District, I enthusiastically support the East Bay Regional Park District's (EBRPD) grant application to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program for \$50,000 to support the Parks Express Program. The Parks Express Program is a community outreach tool providing low cost transportation to East Bay Regional Parks. It serves low-income schools, groups serving children from economically-challenged families, seniors, and people with disabilities in Alameda and Contra Costa counties.

If awarded, this grant will allow the District to provide additional low cost transportation to shoreline parks throughout the region. In addition, award of this grant will allow the District to expand implementation of its Healthy Parks – Healthy People initiative which connects individual and community health with accessible, well-managed parks.

I strongly support this important asset to our community and favorably recommend support for the Parks Express Program to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program.

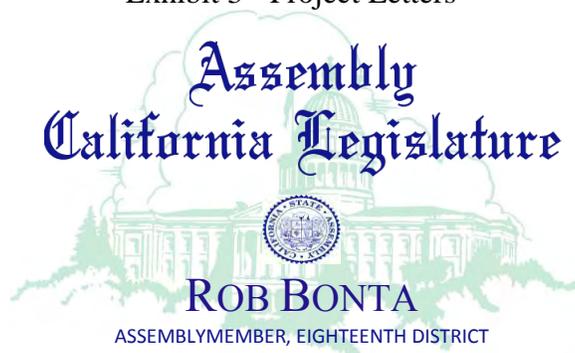
Sincerely,

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Assemblywoman Susan A Bonilla
California State Legislator, 14th District

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May 8, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
Attn: Amy Hutzel
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I write to express my enthusiastic support for the East Bay Regional Park District's (EBRPD) \$50,000 grant application to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program for the Parks Express Program.

I understand the Parks Express Program will provide low-income schools, children from economically-challenged families, seniors, and people with disabilities in Alameda and Contra Costa counties with low cost transportation to East Bay Regional Parks. In addition, award of this grant will allow the District to expand implementation of its Healthy Parks – Healthy People initiative which connects individual and community health with accessible, well-managed parks.

With five regional shoreline parks encompassing 1,888 acres within the 18th Assembly District, I strongly support this program – an important community asset – and favorably recommend support for the Parks Express Program to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rob Bonta". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

Rob Bonta
Assemblymember, 18th District

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May 8, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
Attn: Amy Hutzl
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

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If awarded, this grant will allow the District to provide additional low cost transportation to shoreline parks throughout the region. In addition, award of this grant will allow the District to expand implementation of its Healthy Parks – Healthy People initiative which connects individual and community health with accessible, well-managed parks.

Access to our excellent park system is an important quality-of-life issue. I strongly support this important asset to our community and favorably recommend support for the Parks Express Program to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program.

If you have any questions regarding this letter of support, feel free to contact me at my District Office at (510) 440-9030 or at Assemblymember.wieckowski@assembly.ca.gov.

It is an honor and privilege to serve in the Assembly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert A. Wieckowski".

Bob Wieckowski
Assemblymember, District 25

BW:rf



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May 8, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
Attn: Amy Hutzler
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

RE: Support of East Bay Regional Park District's California Coastal Conservancy Explore the Coast Grant Application

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I write in strong support of the East Bay Regional Park District's (EBRPD) grant application to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program for \$50,000 to support the Parks Express Program. The Parks Express Program is a community outreach tool providing low cost transportation to East Bay Regional Parks. It serves low-income schools, groups serving children from economically-challenged families, seniors, and people with disabilities in Alameda and Contra Costa counties.

If awarded, this grant will allow the District to provide additional low cost transportation to shoreline parks throughout the region. In addition, award of this grant will allow the District to expand implementation of its Healthy Parks – Healthy People initiative which connects individual and community health with accessible, well-managed parks.

Supporting innovative programs such as Healthy Parks – Healthy People is of particular concern to my constituents in the 11th Assembly District and the State of California. Thank you for your full consideration of the East Bay Regional Park District's. Please feel free to call me with any questions you may have at 916-319-2011.

Sincerely,

JIM FRAZIER
Assemblymember, 11th District





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Supervisor, Third District

May 8, 2013

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
Attn: Amy Hutzler
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I write in support of the East Bay Regional Park District's (EBRPD) grant application to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program for \$50,000 to support the Parks Express Program. The Parks Express Program is a community outreach tool providing low cost transportation to East Bay Regional Parks. It serves low-income schools, groups serving children from economically-challenged families, seniors, and people with disabilities in Alameda and Contra Costa counties.

If awarded, this grant will allow the District to provide additional low cost transportation to shoreline parks throughout the region. In addition, award of this grant will allow the District to expand implementation of its Healthy Parks – Healthy People initiative which connects individual and community health with accessible, well-managed parks.

I strongly support this important asset to our community and favorably recommend support for the Parks Express Program to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Wilma Chan".

Supervisor Wilma Chan
Alameda County Supervisor, Third District



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RICHARD VALLE
Supervisor, Second District

May 8, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
Attn: Amy Hutzal
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I write to you today to enthusiastically support the East Bay Regional Park District's (EBRPD) grant application to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program for \$50,000 to support the Parks Express Program. The Parks Express Program is a community outreach tool providing low cost transportation to East Bay Regional Parks. It serves low-income schools, groups serving children from economically-challenged families, seniors, and people with disabilities in Alameda and Contra Costa counties.

If awarded, this grant will allow the District to provide additional low cost transportation to shoreline parks throughout the region. In addition, award of this grant will allow the District to expand implementation of its Healthy Parks – Healthy People initiative which connects individual and community health with accessible, well-managed parks.

These programs promote and increase access to open space in Alameda County. As the District 2 Supervisor, my office has championed preserving open space and making it accessible to County residents. The continued support of open space is critical for the Bay Area's urban core. Access to open space helps reduce stress, connects us with nature, and is critically important in urban counties as our society continues to modernize and grows disconnected from the natural environment.

I strongly support this important asset to our community and favorably recommend support for the Parks Express Program to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program.

Sincerely,

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Richard Valle
Supervisor, Second District



County Supervisor Mary Nejedly Piepho, District III

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May 8, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
 Attn: Amy Hutzel
 California State Coastal Conservancy
 1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
 Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco,

I would like to show my support for the East Bay Regional Park District's (EBRPD) grant application to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program for \$50,000 to support the Parks Express Program. The Parks Express Program is a community outreach tool providing low cost transportation to East Bay Regional Parks. It serves low-income schools, groups serving children from economically challenged families, seniors, and people with disabilities in Alameda and Contra Costa counties.

If awarded, this grant will allow the District to provide additional low cost transportation to shoreline parks throughout the region. In addition, award of this grant will allow the District to expand implementation of its Healthy Parks – Healthy People initiative which connects individual and community health with accessible, well-managed parks.

I strongly support this important asset to our community and favorably recommend support for the Parks Express Program to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program.

Sincerely,

MARY NEJEDLY PIEPHO
 County Supervisor, District III

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Thank you for consideration.

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CHARLTON H. BONHAM, Director



May 8, 2013

Amy Hutzel
Bay Program Manager
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Ms. Hutzel:

SUBJECT: SUPPORT OF EBRPD'S PARK EXPRESS PROGRAM

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife's Office of Spill Prevention and Response strongly supports the East Bay Regional Parks District's (EBRPD) grant application for \$50,000 to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support Parks Express. The EBRPD's Parks Express Program is an outreach program that provides low cost transportation to East Bay Regional Parks. It serves low-income schools, groups serving children from low-income families, seniors, and people with disabilities in Alameda and Contra Costa counties.

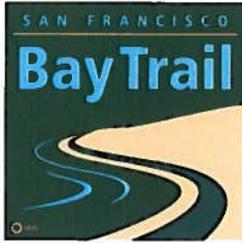
The California Department of Fish and Wildlife, in consultation with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, has approved the use of \$50,000 of Dubai Star oil spill restoration funds to implement the EBRPD's recreational fishing and education program for the Alameda County public. A portion of that amount (\$7,500) is allocated for transportation. If a transportation grant is awarded to EBRPD by the Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast program, it will provide for additional staffing and additional funding to help EBRPD bring more underserved people to the shoreline.

In short, we support this program and recommend the support of the Parks Express Program to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program.

Sincerely,

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Michael Anderson, Ph.D.
Senior Toxicologist
Resource Assessment Program Manager



May 3, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
Attn: Amy Hutzell
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Bosco:

The San Francisco Bay Trail Project is pleased to provide its enthusiastic support of the East Bay Regional Park District's (EBRPD) grant application to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program for \$50,000 to support the Parks Express Program. This outreach program provides low cost transportation to East Bay Regional Parks. It serves low-income schools, groups serving children from low-income families, seniors, and people with disabilities in Alameda and Contra Costa counties.

If awarded, this grant will allow the District to provide additional low cost transportation to shoreline parks throughout the region and bring underserved communities to the Bay's edge to enjoy shoreline trails and parks. In addition, award of this grant will allow the District to expand implementation of its Health Parks – Healthy People initiative which connects individual and community health with accessible, well-managed parks.

The Bay Trail Project strongly urges the Coastal Conservancy to approve the Park District's request to fund this valuable program. Please do not hesitate to contact me at (510) 464-7915 if you have any questions regarding this or other aspects of the Bay Trail.

Sincerely,

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Lee Chien Huo
Bay Trail Planner



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Douglas Bosco, Chairman
Attn: Amy Hutzel
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
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Dear Mr. Bosco:

East Bay Asian Local Development Corporation (EBALDC) enthusiastically supports the East Bay Regional Park District's (EBRPD) grant application to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program for \$50,000 to support the Parks Express Program. The Parks Express Program is an outreach program providing low cost transportation to East Bay Regional Parks. It serves low-income schools, groups serving children from low-income families, seniors, and people with disabilities in Alameda and Contra Costa counties. If awarded, this grant will allow the District to provide additional low cost transportation to shoreline parks throughout the region.

I strongly support this program and favorably recommend support the Parks Express Program to the California Coastal

Sincerely,

Adrienne Smith-White
Resident Services Manager
East Bay Asian Local Development Corporation



Girl Scouts of
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May 8, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
Attn: Amy Hutzal
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Bosco:

Girl Scouts of Northern California (GSNorCal) nenthusiastically supports the East Bay Regional Park District's (EBRPD) grant application to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program for \$50,000 to support the Parks Express Program.

For GSNorCal, The Parks Express Program has been an essential part of our environmental program delivery to girls; particularly girls in low income communities who otherwise would not have an opportunity to experience the outdoors, much less the rich diversity of the East Bay Regional Park locations.

We have recently engaged in a series of trips, using the Parks Express Program, to EBRPD's Black Diamond Mines in Antioch. Nearly 100 girls from Pittsburg and Bay Point participated, many of whom had never been to this local treasure in their backyard. Girls consistently tell us that after completing these trips how excited they are to take more trips to local parks.

Often transportation is the highest ticket item on the budget of any youth development organization. This low-cost/high-value service is an essential resource for those looking to change lives and build communities through outdoor enrichment.

We have enjoyed this relationship for 4+ years and rely on it to deepen our connection to local parks, schools, girls, families and their communities. I wholeheartedly support this program and strongly recommend it to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program.

Sincerely,

Kymerly Miller
Director, Environment
Girl Scouts of Northern California



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF SAN LEANDRO

May 3, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
Attn: Amy Hutzell
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Bosco:

The Boys & Girls Clubs of San Leandro enthusiastically supports the East Bay Regional Park District's (EBRPD) grant application to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program for \$50,000 to support the Parks Express Program. The Parks Express Program is an outreach program providing low cost transportation to East Bay Regional Parks. It serves low-income schools, groups serving children from low-income families, seniors, and people with disabilities in Alameda and Contra Costa counties. If awarded, this grant will allow the District to provide additional low cost transportation to shoreline parks throughout the region.

I strongly support this program and favorably recommend support the Parks Express Program to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program.

Sincerely,

Tina Rosselle

Director of Program Operations
Boys & Girls Clubs of San Leandro
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April 30, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
 Attn: Amy Hutzal
 California State Coastal Conservancy
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Dear Mr. Bosco:

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Regional Parks Foundation, I am writing to express our enthusiastic endorsement of the East Bay Regional Park District's application to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program for \$50,000 to support the Parks Express Program. This grant would enable the District to provide additional low-cost transportation to shoreline Regional Parks for under-served populations and would also allow the District to expand implementation of its Healthy Parks Healthy People initiative that promotes the relationship between parks and people as a way to improve overall community health and well-being.

The Parks Express Program is a key part of the Regional Parks Foundation's mission to provide "Access for All" to the East Bay Regional Parks. Transportation to the Regional Parks is a challenge for under-resourced populations such as inner-city kids, disabled people, and frail elders. Parks Express makes it possible for these members of our community and other disadvantaged groups to enjoy organized outings in the Regional Parks by providing low-cost transportation.

The Regional Parks Foundation strongly supports the Parks Express Program and the East Bay Regional Park District's efforts to expand it by seeking funding from the California Coastal Conservancy. We wholeheartedly recommend that the Explore the Coast program approve the District's application that will directly benefit the people of the East Bay.

Sincerely,

Nancy S. Baglietto
 Director of Operations, Programs, and Development

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August 29, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612
Attn: Betsy Wilson

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in support of Literacy for Environmental Justice's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program. Funds would support their Candlestick Point Eco-stewards project.

Candlestick Point Eco-stewards (CPE), a project of Literacy for Environmental Justice (LEJ), is based out of Candlestick Point State Recreation Area (CPSRA). CPE is striving to undo the environmental degradation of the natural environment in southeast San Francisco, and address the inequality in public access to open space, through active park stewardship and ecological restoration.

The CPE project objectives for the upcoming year are to engage over 1,500 program participants at CPSRA in clean up and restoration activities. Activities include reducing marine debris by hosting the California Coastal Clean Up Day and stewardship programs to grow, plant, establish and monitor 5,000 watershed-specific native plants at four established restoration sites at the park. As part of its goal to increase public awareness about the shoreline park, CPE plans to host 2-3 specialized interpretive/community engagement events that celebrate CPSRA and offer fun and culturally relevant shoreline experiences for multiple audiences.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable LEJ to implement these goals and provide much needed public support and engagement at Candlestick Point State Recreation Area. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mark Leno".

MARK LENO
Senator, 3rd District



Exhibit 3 - Project Letters



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July 30, 2013

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

Dear Mr. Bosco,

I am writing in strong support of Literacy for Environmental Justice's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their Candlestick Point Eco-stewards project.

Based out of Candlestick Point State Recreation area (CPSRA) and a valuable partner of California State Parks, Candlestick Point Eco-stewards (CPE) works through ecological restoration, community engagement, and public education to restore the ecology of southeast San Francisco parkland. They help residents reconnect to their natural heritage and enjoy their right to a healthy and biologically diverse environment.

A project of Literacy for Environmental Justice (LEJ), CPE is striving to undo the environmental degradation of the natural environment in southeast San Francisco, and address the inequality in public access to open space, through active park stewardship and ecological restoration. LEJ's youth employment, environmental education, and volunteer programs have a 14-plus year-long track record of engaging underserved youth, local schools, and the general public in environmental education and ecological stewardship of the southeast San Francisco unique bay front.

Through their place-based service learning programs, LEJ has reached over 20,000 participants who have removed tens of thousands of pounds of marine debris, grown and planted over 20,000 native plants, and provided community-based stewardship of over 4 miles of bay front. Their programs seek to create a southeast San Francisco where ecology and communities are connected, strong, healthy, and thriving.

Their CPE project objectives for this upcoming year are to engage over 1,500 program participants at CPSRA. Activities include reducing marine debris by hosting California Coastal Clean Up day, and hosting regular stewardship programs to grow, plant, establish and monitor 5,000 watershed specific native plants at four established restoration sites at the park. As part of their goal to increase public awareness about the shoreline park, in addition to their stewardship programs, they plan to host 2-3

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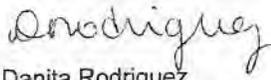
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specialized interpretive/community engagement events that celebrate CPSRA and offer fun and culturally relevant shoreline experiences for multiple audiences.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable LEJ to implement these goals and provide much needed public support and engagement at Candlestick Point SRA. I encourage you to fund this important project which will benefit Candlestick Point SRA as well as the surrounding communities and people in those communities.

Thank you for your consideration and if you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (707) 769-5665.

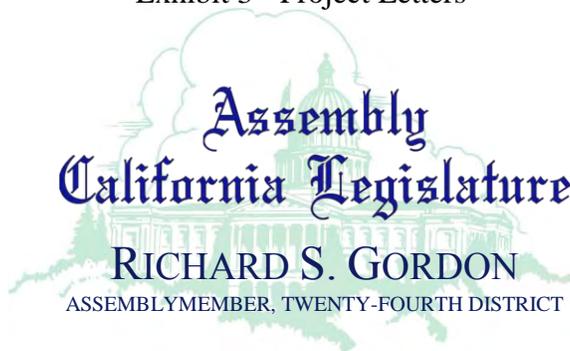
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August 6, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
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Attn. Betsy Wilson

Dear Chairman Bosco,

I am writing to share my full support of the Environmental Volunteers' EcoCenter Education Initiative, and their application for funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program.

The EcoCenter Education Initiative will bring low-income youth to the Palo Alto Baylands Nature Preserve for education and exploration, expand Baylands stewardship opportunities, and develop Baylands-focused interpretive materials for Spanish speaking audiences.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable the Environmental Volunteers to expand the programs that are offered at their EcoCenter – a new community resource for environmental education in the Palo Alto Baylands Nature Preserve. This program expansion will allow the Environmental Volunteers to reach new audiences, including youth from low-income communities who have fewer opportunities to access environmental education programs. I encourage you to fund this worthy project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Richard S. Gordon
Assemblyman, Twenty-Fourth District

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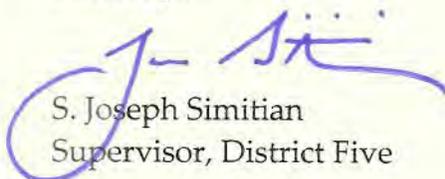
Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing to express my enthusiastic support for the Environmental Volunteers' EcoCenter Education Initiative, and their application for funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program.

The EcoCenter Education Initiative will connect more people, especially underserved populations in the San Francisco Bay's Peninsula region, with the Bay through environmental learning, exploration, and action. The EcoCenter Education Initiative addresses an important need for more programs that allow Bay Area residents to visit, enjoy, and learn about our precious coastal ecosystem.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable the Environmental Volunteers to expand current Baylands education programming for the community and launch new programs to reach new people, especially bilingual audiences and residents of low-income communities. I encourage you to fund this worthy project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


S. Joseph Simitian
Supervisor, District Five

cc: Sam Schuchat

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September 17, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
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Attn. Betsy Wilson

RE: Support for the Water Shed Project Wild! Oysters Program

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in support of The Watershed Project's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their Wild! Oysters Program. An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable The Watershed Project to serve approximately 200 urban youth with 3400 contact hours.

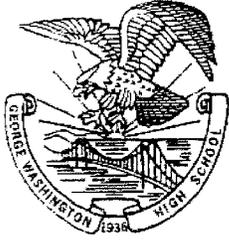
The Watershed Project serves a vital role to the San Francisco Bay Area. Their hard work has attributed to many educational and volunteer programs for local residents with programs like the Wild! Oysters Program. These programs provide opportunities for our community to be involved while helping to restore and maintain the beautiful San Francisco Bay.

As an advocate for the environment with a history in environmental policy and education, I am happy to support The Watershed Project's application for a grant from the California Coastal Conservancy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Nancy Skinner".

Nancy Skinner
Assemblymember, 15th District



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August 29, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
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Attn. Betsy Wilson

Dear Mr. Bosco:

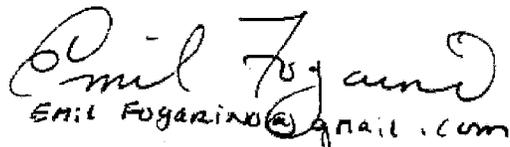
I am writing in strong support of The Watershed Project's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their Wild! Oysters program.

The Wild! Oysters program reconnects local high school students to an underappreciated part of the watershed, the Bay's intertidal and subtidal habitats. I have partnered with the Wild! Oysters program for the previous 4 years and will continue that partnership this year. This program will be an exciting addition to my marine science program and I am very pleased that The Watershed Project has taken great strides in evaluating and improving their curriculum from year to year. Wild! Oysters is unique in providing students an oyster-focused curriculum, yet presents oysters in a larger, fuller context. I appreciate The Watershed Project's willingness to engage inner-city youth in outdoor experiential education that creates an understanding of our coast and shoreline.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable The Watershed Project to serve approximately 200 urban youth with 3400 contact hours. Thank you for your consideration.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,


Emil Fogarino @gmail.com

Emil Fogarino
Teacher, Washington High School
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August 14, 2013

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

On behalf of the San Francisco Bay Trail Project, I am writing in strong support of the Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their SF2 Trail Exhibits Project.

The SF2 Trail Exhibits Project will create two interpretive panels along the SF2 Trail that engage people with cognitive disabilities, particularly autism, with the different ecological habitats of the Bay. It will do this through distinctive visual imagery and tactile learning using 3D models that will be embedded in the panels. The project will support the Refuge's interpretive and environmental education programs and improve the public access experience along this 1.4-mile out-and-back trail near East Palo Alto and the Menlo Park, part of the Bay Trail system. This project will expand the Refuge's ability to enhance the enjoyment and understanding of the Bay's natural resources for many new trail users, including homeschool groups, pre-K field trips, families with young children, Scouts and other organized youth groups.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable the Refuge to expand their capacity to increase formal interpretive programs along the edge of the Bay for new trail user groups. I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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

Laura Thompson
Bay Trail Project Manager

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August 1, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
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Dear Chairman Bosco:

This letter is to express my support for seven projects within the 17th Senate District being considered by the Coastal Conservancy for funding.

Specifically, the projects I am supporting are:

- 1) The Oikonos Ecosystem Knowledge's West Cliff Ecosystem Restoration Project;
- 2) The Point San Luis Lighthouse Keeper's Educational Outreach "Bright Light, Big History" Project;
- 3) The Museum Foundation of Pacific Grove's Long-Term Monitoring Program and Experimental Training for Students Project;
- 4) The Santa Cruz Hub for Sustainable Living's Santa Cruz County Open Streets Project;
- 5) The O'Neil Sea Odyssey's Transportation for Environmental Stewards Project;
- 6) The Central Coast State Park's Association's Underserved School Group Transportation Project; and
- 7) The Santa Cruz Museum of Natural History's On the Spot Program.

Each organization seeking funding has a history of serving the community in which it is located and each project will provided residents and visitors with unique opportunities to learn about the natural, recreational, cultural, and historical value of the Central California Coast. I urge that the California State Coastal Conservancy give all due consideration to the funding requests made by the seven projects listed above.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



WILLIAM W. MONNING
Senator, 17th District

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August 6, 2013

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
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Attn: Ms. Betsy Wilson

Dear Chairman Bosco,

I am writing in strong support of Central Coast State Parks Association's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their Underserved School Group Transportation Program.

The Underserved School Group Transportation Program is designed to increase visitation to the coastal region, specifically, the Museum of Natural History at Morro Bay State Park, and the Morro Bay National Estuary. Transportation money will be used to cover the cost of buses and drivers for school districts both in San Luis Obispo County and the Central Valley for school districts that are unable to afford transportation and fit the criterion of having 50% or more underserved students. From January to October 2012, 5,250 students were served by docent led school programs.

The content of these programs is aligned to California science and social studies standards for elementary grades. Subjects covered include biology, marine mammals, botany, geology, life science and physical sciences. Public school teachers throughout the state are severely challenged to complete the large numbers of grade-level California content standards in their assigned subject areas. Opportunities for field application of the material taught are very limited due to time and fiscal constraints. For elementary and middle school student development, there is a compelling need to connect what is studied in the classroom to personal experience and observation.

This need is especially critical among economically disadvantaged students who have very limited or no access for outdoor education or experiences. Underserved students' parents or grandparents are unlikely to have either means of transportation or time to travel to coastal environments. Without programs such as the school group program, underserved students are not likely to visit, learn or become stewards of coastal environments including the unique environment of the Morro Bay National Estuary. This hands-on learning cannot be duplicated in the classroom. Students collect samples in the estuary and study plankton under microscopes under the supervision of docents.

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Due to the ongoing California State fiscal crisis, more and more schools cannot afford bus transportation to the museum. Without access to field trips to coastal sites such as the Museum of Natural History at Morro Bay State Park, young generations, especially the underserved, are unlikely to experience hands-on science teaching, unlikely to make a strong connection with or understand the importance of California coastal regions, and the importance of preserving these regions.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable Central Coast State Parks Association to continue and expand the school group program. I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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August 19, 2013

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

Re: Santa Barbara Coastal Education and Outreach Project

Dear Chairperson Bosco,

I am writing to express my strong support for the City of Santa Barbara's application for grant funding under the Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast Program. The Santa Barbara Coastal Education and Outreach Project will provide valuable environmental, historical, and cultural information about Santa Barbara's coast to area residents and visitors.

With 6.3 miles of shoreline in the coastal zone, the City of Santa Barbara has a diversity of coastal environments, including estuarine, creek and wetland habitats and coastal bluff, beach, and marine resources. The project will provide a unique opportunity to highlight these environments through the use of web-based information, a walking map, and interpretive signage.

The goals of the project include broadening public awareness about coastal resources, as well as enhancing visitor use of the coast through learning experiences. These goals also contribute to statewide objectives for engaging the public in the potential effects of climate change.

I look forward to your favorable consideration of this proposal.

Sincerely,

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Hannah Beth-Jackson
Senator, 19th District

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August 19, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chair
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Re: Santa Barbara Coastal Education and Outreach Project

Dear Chairperson Bosco,

I want to express my strong support for the City of Santa Barbara's application for grant funding under the Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast Program. The Santa Barbara Coastal Education and Outreach Project will provide valuable environmental, historical, and cultural information about Santa Barbara's coast to area residents and visitors.

With 6.3 miles of shoreline in the coastal zone, Santa Barbara has a diversity of coastal environments, including estuarine, creek and wetland habitats and coastal bluff, beach, and marine resources. The project will provide a unique opportunity to highlight these environments through the use of web-based information, a walking map, and interpretive signage.

Since Santa Barbara, similar to other communities, is beginning to address potential coastal impacts due to sea level rise and infrastructure damage from tsunamis and other natural disasters, the project also provides an opportunity to engage the public in the issues and identification of long-term management solutions.

I look forward to your favorable consideration of this proposal.

Sincerely,

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Das Williams
Assemblymember, 37th District



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SENATOR
JERRY HILL
THIRTEENTH SENATE DISTRICT



May 10, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
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Re: Explore the Coast Grant Program
San Mateo County's Devil's Slide Trail Ambassadors Program

Dear Chairman Bosco,

I write in enthusiastic support of the San Mateo County Department of Parks' application for funding from the Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast Grant Program. San Mateo County is seeking funding in order to implement their Devil's Slide Trail Ambassadors Program which provides training to volunteers that will work to enhance visitors' experiences at the Devil's Slide Coastal Trail.

The Devil's Slide Coastal Trail will be a recreational asset and education resource for visitors to the San Mateo County coast. Individuals will be able to hike, cycle and roller skate along this new, accessible trail. San Mateo County hopes to open the Devil's Slide Coastal Trail in 2014.

The Ambassadors Program will involve the recruitment, training and deployment of volunteers ready to communicate and assist members of the public utilizing the Devil's Slide Trail. The program is based on the popular Volunteer Trail Patrol Program that has been in use at other San Mateo County Parks, including Edgewood, Huddart and Wunderlich County Parks.

I strongly support funding for this project. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Jerry Hill
Senator, District 13

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May 6, 2013

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
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RE: Explore the Coast Grant Program
Devil's Slide Trail Ambassadors Program

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I write in strong support of San Mateo County Parks Department's application for a grant award of \$25,477 for the Devil's Slide Trail Ambassadors Program.

The Devil's Slide Trail Ambassadors Program is an excellent partnership opportunity and worthy of California State Coastal Conservancy support. The grant to San Mateo County Parks Department will provide funding to train, supervise and employ a volunteer corps that supports San Mateo County Parks Rangers in the delivery of interpretive and public safety information at the future Devil's Slide Coastal Trail.

Once open in March 2014, the Devils Slide Coastal Trail will receive an estimated 100,000 visitors per year from throughout the greater San Francisco Bay Area. The Devils Slide Trail will be used as a commute and recreation corridor as well as for nature study and appreciation of the views towards the Pacific Ocean and inland coastal range.

The Devil's Slide Trail Ambassadors Program includes the creation of a training manual, classroom training workshop, on-site training, on-going mentoring and evaluation. A modest supplies and materials budget will outfit the ambassadors with vests, radios, first aid kits and other materials to fit within a sturdy daypack. The Ambassadors will be roving naturalists, provide rules and regulatory information as well as basic first aid to trail users. The Ambassadors will have an option of hiking or cycling the 1.2 mile trail during their shift.

The Devils Slide Coastal Trail will be a unique outdoor experience, and a wonderful addition to the San Mateo County Parks system. Having well trained and equipped volunteers will only enhance the visitor experience. I look forward to a successful outcome. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kevin Mullin".

KEVIN MULLIN
Assemblymember, 22nd District

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April 29, 2013

State Coastal Conservancy
Trish Chapman
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Re: Support for San Mateo County's request for Devil's Slide Coastal Trail Ambassadors

Dear Ms. Chapman:

I am writing to support San Mateo County's grant application for funds to create and implement a Devil's Slide Trail Ambassador program. With the recent opening of the Devil's Slide Tunnel project, the former Highway roadbed will be turned into a public pathway next year. This 1.3 mile long pathway will become a segment of the California Coastal Trail, and when connectors are constructed, will connect north to the City of Pacifica and south to the community of Montara.

When the new Devil's Slide Trail is opened in 2014, we anticipate that thousands of people will use this trail monthly. It is located in a unique spot that provides dramatic views of the coast. San Mateo County Parks will operate the trail and will be providing two on-site Rangers to assist the public as they use this area. However, with so many enthusiastic new users, the County Rangers will need assistance. Via the grant request, the County is proposing to use the Trail Ambassadors to assist the County Rangers with various tasks, including providing interpretive information regarding the human, cultural and natural history of the area, explaining park regulations and when needed, providing first aid care.

The State of California has designated the California Coastal Trail (CCT) as the state's Millennium Legacy Trail. The California Coastal Commission, along with our partners the State Coastal Conservancy and California State Parks, are all responsible for ensuring that the Trail system is completed statewide, a length of over 1100 miles. This area is an important and special link in the CCT that will be popular with both local citizens and thousands of visiting tourists.

As Manager of the California Coastal Commission's Coastal Access Program, one of my highest priorities for the agency is to promote the CCT so as to realize one day the completion of the entire Trail system. Therefore, we strongly endorse the County's request for funds to properly manage a new and exciting link of the Trail in an area that members of the public have been waiting for decades to enjoy.

Sincerely,


Linda Locklin
Coastal Access Program Manager

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July 26, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
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Oakland, CA 94612
Attn. Betsy Wilson

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing to express my wholehearted support of the Open Streets Santa Cruz County's application for grant funding under the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast program. This grant funding would be used for their 2014 Santa Cruz and Capitola Open Streets events.

Open Streets Santa Cruz County (OSSCC) promotes sustainable and healthy lifestyles by organizing free community events that focus on outdoor recreation and education. During these events, automobile traffic is temporarily blocked on carefully selected streets in scenic locations so attendees can enjoy some of the beautiful parts of our unique community on foot, bike, or skateboard. The events also feature education booths, music, performances, food, and a variety of free activities. This provides for a fun and educational experience for families of all socio-economic backgrounds.

The OSSCC events planned for the Cities of Santa Cruz and Capitola will temporarily divert motor vehicle traffic from a three-mile stretch of roadway along the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary coastline. These events give local residents and visitors a rare opportunity to appreciate this natural treasure without the dangers and pollution associated with motor vehicles.

These events provide a unique chance to educate students of all ages about marine ecology and conservation. Additionally, participants can learn about many of the recreation opportunities provided to us by the coastline here in "Surf City". People of all abilities will be able to enjoy this natural resource in a family-friendly setting.

OSSCC's successful pilot event in Santa Cruz last year had over 9,000 attendees. These events help build a sense of community amongst our diverse neighborhoods. They also help our local economy; much of which is dependent upon our coastline's outdoor recreational opportunities. In order to continue to provide these community events, it is essential to support the growth of OSSCC. An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable OSSCC to continue and expand its events in Santa Cruz County. I respectfully encourage you to fund this important project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mark Stone".

Mark Stone
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September 17, 2013

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

This letter is in support of McCabe Elementary's application for the Explore the Coast: Revive, Record and Remember grant.

McCabe Elementary is located in a rural, agricultural town in western Fresno County. The population consist of 75% English language learners, 40% migrant students, whose parents are farm workers, and 97% of the children are on free or reduced lunch. According to the 4th grade Science Standards, students are required to learn about habitats and ecosystems such as the ocean, rainforest, desert and the tundra. Unfortunately, half of the 4th graders at McCabe Elementary have never seen the ocean or been on the beach to experience the beauty and fragility of the coast.

Beaches and oceans can be a positive part of the lives of the kids in Mendota and can provide a valuable recreational, environmental, cultural or historic learning experience.

A grant from the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast would provide the students in Mendota with an opportunity to learn and appreciate the coastal habitat of California.

Your consideration is greatly appreciated. Should you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office at (559) 445-5532.

Sincerely,

Henry T. Perea
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August 9, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chair
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612
Attn. Betsy Wilson

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing to express my wholehearted support for the application by the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History (PG Museum) to California Coastal Conservancy Explore the Coast Grant Program. Grant funds will be used to expand access to the Museum's Long-term Monitoring Program and Experiential Training for Students (LiMPETS) program for the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary (Sanctuary).

LiMPETS fosters coastal stewardship by providing program participants with hands-on experience in scientific data collection. Students from 5th grade through university level are given the opportunity to learn how to monitor populations of various marine species within the Sanctuary's rocky intertidal and sandy beach habitats. Responsibility for gathering and recording population data, tracking changes in specific areas, and cleaning up monitoring sites provides vital access to true scientific field work. Data collected by the students is used by scientists to address sanctuary resource management issues, identify long-term status and trends in intertidal regions, and detect emerging issues. As a result, Sanctuary staff can make informed resource management decisions, and students can see their direct contribution to conservation efforts. Improving academic skills in science through programs like LiMPETS is essential to training the next generation of scientists.

In addition to fostering scientific interest in youth, this program encourages a better understanding of the role humans play in maintaining coastal environmental health. The sense of ownership for monitoring sites by students can expand into a greater sense of responsibility for living in harmony with nature. Students become champions of coastal health to their family and friends. Cultural and economic barriers have limited youth significantly from experiencing the Sanctuary, despite its proximity to their homes. To broaden coastal stewardship, the PG Museum emphasizes involving eager young minds in LiMPETS who previously have not explored marine environments. Bus scholarships are offered to ensure all students are able to participate, regardless of transportation options available.



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Mr. Douglas Bosco
August 9, 2013
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During the most recent school year, LiMPETS served approximately 2,300 students. With the funds from the Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant, the program can be expanded to include 2,500 students and continue to reach out to underserved populations of students in inner city and rural areas.

Thank you for your consideration of this excellent project.

Sincerely,

Mark Stone
Assemblymember
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April 25, 2013

Mr. Sam Schuchat, Executive Officer
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

RE: Support for O'Neill Sea Odyssey's Transportation for Environmental Stewards

Dear Mr. Schuchat:

I am writing to express my strong support for Transportation for Environmental Stewards, a grant request submitted by O'Neill Sea Odyssey to provide bus transportation for approximately 18 school classes throughout the Monterey Bay and San Francisco Bay regions to participate in the organization's outdoor education program. The \$10,000 funding request will be matched with \$25,000 in grants for the same purpose by the Newman's Own Foundation, the Strong Foundation and the Hanson Foundation.

Since its founding in 1996, O'Neill Sea Odyssey has provided a living classroom on board a 65-foot catamaran sailing the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary. Fourth to sixth-grade students, typically from economically disadvantaged backgrounds, receive hands-on lessons on marine habitat and the relationship between the oceans and the environment. The subjects taught—marine science, marine and watershed ecology, and navigation/mathematics—support State and federal education standards and satisfy the educational goals of the participating schools.

O'Neill Sea Odyssey's award-winning program teaches an underserved student population to value and appreciate our marine environment. Generating interest in and excitement about science and the oceans motivates these youth to be good stewards of this fragile natural resource, and lays the inspirational groundwork for our next generation of marine and conservation scientists.

Thank you for considering this funding request. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mark Stone".

Mark Stone
Assemblymember
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April 24, 2013

Mr. Sam Schuchat, Executive Officer
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

RE: Support for Transportation for Environmental Stewards

Dear Mr. Schuchat:

As Mayor of the City of Santa Cruz where O'Neill Sea Odyssey (OSO), its boat, and education center are located, I am writing in strong support of Transportation for Environmental Stewards, a grant request to the California Coastal Conservancy that will support bus transportation for approximately 18 school classes to participate in the free science and environmental program for schools throughout the Monterey Bay and San Francisco Bay regions.

The \$10,000 request will be matched with \$25,000 in grants for the same purpose by the Newman's Own Foundation, the Strong Foundation, and the Hanson Foundation.

OSO provides a living classroom onboard a 65-foot catamaran sailing the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary where 4th-6th-grade students receive hands-on lessons about the marine habitat and the importance of the relationship between the living sea and the environment. The program is conducted onboard the catamaran with follow-up lessons at the shore-side Education Center at the Santa Cruz Harbor. It is free of charge, but students earn their way into the program by designing and performing a project to benefit their community. OSO also provides science curriculum for each class it serves.

The program has served nearly 75,000 students since its inception. In 2004, the program received the prestigious California Governor's Award in Economic and Environmental Leadership, and in 2005, it received U.S. Senator Barbara Boxer's Conservation Champion Award.

In recent years, OSO has had to raise funds for bus transportation to enable lower-income schools to participate in the free program. In 2013, OSO projects spending \$29,670 for bus transportation for 73 school classes.

Thank you very much for your consideration!

Sincerely,

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Hilary Bryant
Mayor

DON HORSLEY

Board of Supervisors, Third District
County of San Mateo

August 15, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612
Attn.: Betsy Wilson

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in strong support of the Pacifica Land Trust's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their "Virtual Pedro Point Headland" project.

The "Virtual Pedro Point Headland" project proposes to use internet-based technology in conjunction with smart phones to create a spatially explicit, virtual tour of Pedro Point Headland that can be accessed by both on-site visitors and remote users. This virtual tour will be tied to learning stations that provide a text description of the surroundings, photos of the site, and video by experts who will talk about plants, animals, marine life, geology, natural communities, cultural history, and new ways of thinking about our relationship to novel ecosystems that characterize the natural landscapes that exist in the Bay Area. Pedro Point Headland is a spectacular coastal resource directly adjacent to the new Devil's Slide County Park that is being established in the wake of the opening of the Tom Lantos Tunnels. It is anticipated that this area will be serving approximately 80,000 visitors per year, many of them underserved urban residents of the North San Francisco Peninsula. The "Virtual Pedro Point Headland" project will provide the opportunity for these visitors to engage in the rich natural and cultural history of Pedro Point Headland while enjoying their hiking and biking experience, or remotely visit this site through an internet portal. The project is being designed so that it could serve as a relatively inexpensive educational model for other public spaces with cultural and/or natural values.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable the Pacifica Land Trust to bring this project on line for the eventual enjoyment of thousands of visitors to this area and create a prototype that could have far reaching implications for engaging the broader public. I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Don Horsley, 3rd District Supervisor
President, San Mateo Board of County Supervisors

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August 28, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612
Attn: Betsy Wilson

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I would like to take this opportunity to express my strongest personal support of the Pacifica Land Trust's application to receive funds as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their "Virtual Pedro Point Headland" project.

Utilizing internet-based technology in conjunction with smart phones, the "Virtual Pedro Point Headland" project will create a spatially explicit, virtual tour of the Pedro Point Headland that can be accessed by on-site visitors as well as those who are only considering a visit or who are unable to visit in person. As I am sure you are aware, the Pedro Point Headland is a magnificent coastal resource that offers breath-taking views many will wish to see. This virtual tour will be tied to learning stations along the Headlands trails that will also provide text descriptions of the surroundings, photos of the site, and video by experts who will discuss the plants, animals, marine life, geology, natural communities, cultural history, and new ways of thinking about our relationship to novel ecosystems that characterize the natural landscapes in the Bay Area. While those who are biking or hiking in the Headlands will find their experience deeply enriched by the tour, the Internet portal will open the beauty and experience to many more, who may never have the opportunity or ability to visit in person.

The opening of the Tom Lantos Tunnels and the establishment of the adjacent Devil's Slide County Park will enhance the awareness and access to the Pedro Point Headland. San Mateo County estimates that approximately 80,000 visitors per year will visit this coastal area, many of them from underserved urban areas of the North San Francisco Peninsula. While the parking lot is small, the City of Pacifica has sponsored a shuttle, "The Devil's Slide Ride," which will transport people from a number of areas along Highway 1 in Pacifica to the north parking lot at this new county park. The virtual tour will provide the ability to enhance their visit while experiencing the coast autonomously.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable the Pacifica Land Trust to bring this project on line for the benefit and enjoyment of thousands. I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your diligent attention, and consideration.

Sincerely,

Mary Ann Nihart
Mayor Pro-tem, City of Pacifica

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August 6, 2013

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

Dear Chairman Bosco,

As the State Assemblyman representing the 35th District I write today in strong support of the application by The Point San Luis Lighthouse Keepers for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program in support of their Educational Outreach Program.

The Light Station at Point San Luis has just completed a major five-year restoration effort with funding from the State Coastal Conservancy as well as the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and the California Cultural and Historical Endowment.

The Keepers have launched a formal docent training program and are now piloting a 4th Grade School program that is aligned with elementary grade California standards and which culminates in a day of activities at the Lighthouse.

While the Light Station includes many historic still photographs that convey the compelling history of this 120 year old landmark, the intent of this educational outreach initiative is to integrate visual history, researched voice over commentary, living reenactments, and music into a package capable of being broken down into component parts which can be disseminated through a variety of media. This grant will help develop a multi-media platform composed of interrelated modules that will be accessible on site at the Light Station, in the classroom, on television or through the Internet.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable The Point San Luis Lighthouse Keepers to expand their educational outreach and I wholeheartedly encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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May 23, 2013

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

RE: Letter of Support for Santa Barbara County Trails Council Grant Application

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in support of the Santa Barbara County Trails Council's application for California Coastal Conservancy funds to promote public education of the greater Gaviota Coast.

The work will be done in partnership with a number of local agencies and will serve to enhance the public's coastal access experience along the scenic shoreline and will lead to a greater understanding of the outstanding resources of the Gaviota, threats to such resources and the ways to enjoy this shoreline in an environmentally responsible and sustainable manner.

The Gaviota Coast in southern Santa Barbara County is a spectacular landscape composed of agricultural, biological, cultural, scenic, and recreational resources, with strong links to key California historical epochs including Spanish Land Grants and historic ranching activities. The area supports rich marine resources accessible to the public through shoreline walks, kayaking and boating. The unique geology of this reach of coast is also on ready display through viewing of the steep coastal bluffs, often exposed wave-cut marine coastal terrace and sharply uplifted portions of the Santa Ynez Mountains.

Completion of the California Coastal Trail and improved public access will allow the public to experience one of the longest stretches of largely undeveloped shoreline in southern California. This effort will build upon Coastal Conservancy funded efforts by the Trails Council to design and obtain permits for 2.2 miles of the CCT along the Elwood Mesa. It will also take advance of the pending Trails Council Gaviota Coastal Trail and Access Study funded through UCSB's Coastal Fund and private donations. The proposed project will inform the public regarding access opportunities to and along the shoreline along with providing a new map and web based information on this areas sensitive resources and interesting history.

I urge you to give full and fair consideration to the Santa Barbara County Trails Council's grant application, pursuant to all relevant rules and regulations. Should you have any questions about my

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support for this project, please contact Rachel Kondor in my office at (805) 730-1710.

Sincerely,

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LOIS CAPPS
Member of Congress

California State Senate

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SENATOR
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May 21, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
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RE: Enhancing Coastal Access through Education on the Gaviota Coast

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in support of the Santa Barbara County Trails Council's application for California Coastal Conservancy funds to be used to prepare educational information aimed to enhance coastal access. Specifically, the funds would be used for a printed brochure and web based interpretive and interactive maps and information to educate the public on coastal access opportunities and associated historic, natural and cultural resources along a 22 mile-long reach of the greater Gaviota Coast. The work will be done in partnership with a number of local agencies, including the City of Goleta, the University of California Santa Barbara, the County of Santa Barbara, and California State Parks, Wilderness Youth Project and area schools. The Trails Council will donate substantial matching in kind contributions by area professionals including senior project development support, web development, programming and mapping support, as well as assistance in marketing and outreach. The interpretive materials developed will serve to enhance the public's coastal access experience along this scenic shoreline and lead to a greater understanding of the resources present, as well as threats to such resources. Highlighted in the educational materials will be ways for the public to enjoy this shoreline in an environmentally responsible and sustainable manner.

Completion of the California Coastal Trail and improved public access will allow the public to experience one of the longest stretches of largely undeveloped shoreline in southern California. The Gaviota Coast in southern Santa Barbara County is a spectacular landscape composed of agricultural, biological, cultural, scenic, and recreational resources, with strong links to key California Historical epochs including the sites of seven former Chumash villages, Spanish Land Grants and historic ranching and oil development booms. The area supports rich marine resources accessible to the public through shoreline walks, kayaking and boating. The unique geology of this reach of coast is also on ready display through viewing of the steep coastal bluffs, often exposed wave cut marine coastal terrace and sharply uplifted portions of the Santa Ynez Mountains.

This effort will build upon Coastal Conservancy funded efforts by the Trails Council to design and obtain permits for 2.2 miles of the CCT along the Elwood Mesa. It will also take advantage of the pending Trails Council Gaviota Coastal Trail and Access Study funded through UCSB's Coastal Fund and private donations. The proposed project will inform the public regarding access opportunities to and along the shoreline along with providing a new map and web based information on this areas sensitive resources and interesting history.

Please consider supporting this worthy effort. This project provides a tremendous opportunity to leverage funding with local partnerships and in kind contributions to increase public access to exploring and enjoying the coast.

Sincerely,

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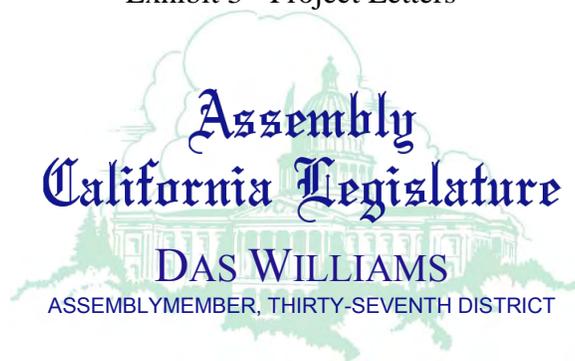
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Douglas Bosco, Chairman
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Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in support of the Santa Barbara County Trails Council's application for California Coastal Conservancy funds to be used to prepare a printed brochure and web based interpretive and interactive maps and information to educate the public on coastal access opportunities and associated historic, natural and cultural resources along a 22 mile-long reach of the greater Gaviota Coast. The work will be done in partnership with a number of local agencies.

The Trails Council will donate substantial matching in kind effort from qualified professionals. This interpretive material serve to enhance the public's coastal access experience along this scenic shoreline and lead to a greater understanding of the resources present, threats to such resources and the ways to enjoy this shoreline in an environmentally responsible and sustainable manner.

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The proposed project will inform the public regarding access opportunities to and along the shoreline along with providing a new map and web based information on this areas sensitive resources and interesting history. Please consider this worthy effort to help the public explore the coast for funding.

Sincerely,

Das Williams
Assemblymember, 37th District



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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

May 21, 2013

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

I am writing to support the Santa Barbara County Trails Council's application for California Coastal Conservancy funds to prepare printed and online materials intended to educate the public on coastal access opportunities and associated historic, natural and cultural resources along the greater Gaviota Coast. The work will be done in partnership with a number of local agencies, and will leverage substantial matching in-kind efforts from qualified professionals. This project serves to enhance the public's coastal access experience and lead to greater understanding of the resources present, threats to those resources and impart an environmental responsibility and sustainability message to enhance user enjoyment of the scenic Gaviota Coast.

The Third District encompasses the entire Gaviota Coast, and I know that completion of the California Coastal Trail (CCT) will allow the public to experience one of the longest stretches of largely undeveloped shoreline in southern California. The Gaviota Coast in southern Santa Barbara County is a spectacular landscape composed of agricultural, biological, cultural, scenic, and recreational resources, with strong links to key California historical epochs including Spanish Land Grants and historic ranching and oil development booms. The area supports rich marine resources and unique geology accessible to the public through shoreline walks, kayaking and boating. The tools produced by this project will add educational value and complement current user experience.

This effort will build upon Coastal Conservancy funded efforts by the Trails Council to design and obtain permits for 2.2 miles of the CCT along the Elwood Mesa. It will also advance the pending Trails Council Gaviota Coastal Trail and Access Study funded through UCSB's Coastal Fund and private donations. Please consider this worthy effort for funding to inform the public regarding access opportunities on the Gaviota Coast.

Sincerely,


Doreen Farr
3rd District Supervisor
Santa Barbara County

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August 19, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chair
California Coastal Conservancy
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Re: Support for CCBER Coastal Education Program

Dear Chairman Bosco and Commissioners:

As the State Senator representing Santa Barbara County, I want to express my support for the approval of the \$25,000 in Coastal Conservancy "Explore the Coast" funds to the University of California Santa Barbara for the implementation of the innovative training and experiential education program designed to expose hundreds of students to our exceptional coastal resources.

Coastal resources are impacted and threatened by development pressures. Our students and young people are the future of California, and yet they spend increasing amounts of time indoors disconnected from these resources. Bringing students into contact with our coast provides valuable opportunities to educate them about the critical importance of these resources, and the need to protect them for the future. Funding can play a key role in enhancing the opportunities for youth from all backgrounds to experience the exhilaration of nature and the unique coastal resources of our State are valuable. Studies have shown that elementary school teachers in particular, do not have the time and experience to provide important science education, and providing training and resources through programs such as "Explore the Coast" provides vital support for enhancing education.

The "Explore the Coast" program builds on the award-winning Kids in Nature program, which already provides in-depth experiential science education in our coastal environments to several 5th grade classrooms, by putting the educational materials on-line and making available boxes of hands-on equipment and materials for field trips and classroom projects focused on coastal resources. In addition, the funding will support a two day teacher-training institute and school-bus and docent funding for those teachers to build on that experience with a class field trip to one of five coastal sites in the ensuing year.

Exhibit 3 - Project Letters

I am delighted by the leadership role that the Coastal Conservancy has played in supporting outreach efforts on behalf of our imperiled coastal resources for students in California. Should you have any questions about my support for this project, please feel free to contact KK Holland in my Oxnard office at 805-988-1940.

Sincerely,

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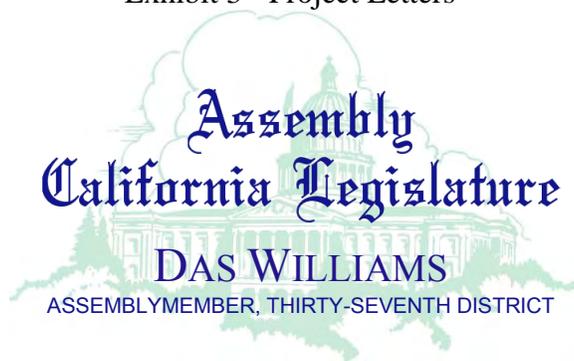
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August 12, 2013

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

Re: Support for CCBER Coastal Education Program

Dear Chairman Bosco and Commissioners:

As the State Assemblymember representing South Santa Barbara County, I want to express my support for the approval of the \$25,000 in Coastal Conservancy "Explore the Coast" funds to the University of California, Santa Barbara for the implementation of the innovative training and experiential education program designed to expose approximately 600 students to our coastal resources.

Coastal resources are already impacted and threatened even more by development pressures. As students, future California voters, and decision makers spend increasing time indoors, disconnected from those resources, the opportunities for them to experience the wonder of the coast and to value it into the future diminish. Any resources the State spends on enhancing the opportunities for youth from all backgrounds to experience the exhilaration of nature and the unique coastal resources of our State are valuable. In addition, studies have shown that elementary school teachers do not have the time and experience to provide important science education. Supplementing that deficit through training and resources is vital.

This program builds on the award-winning Kids in Nature program, which already provides in-depth experiential science education in our coastal environments to several 5th grade classrooms, by putting the educational materials on-line and making available boxes of hands-on equipment and materials for field trips and classroom projects focused on coastal resources. In addition, the funding will support a two day teacher-training institute and school bus and docent funding for those teachers to build on that experience with a class field trip to one of five coastal sites in the ensuing year.

I am proud of the leadership role that the Coastal Conservancy has played in supporting outreach efforts on behalf of our imperiled coastal resources for students in California. Should you have any questions about my support for this project, please feel free to contact Hillary Blackerby in my Santa Barbara office at 805-564-1649.

Sincerely,

Das Williams
Assemblymember, 37th District

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August 29, 2013

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

As Dean of the Gevirtz Graduate School of Education (GGSE) at the University of California Santa Barbara, I am writing in strong support of the Kids in Nature (KIN) program. They applied for the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant funding to reconnect children to nature, enrich learning experiences, foster confidence, and engage more underrepresented and underserved youth in our community in activities that develop an appreciation for and stewardship of the local coastal environment.

The KIN program engages teachers, elementary school students, and university students in inquiry-based, integrated science experiences that are focused in part on natural areas within the Central California Coastal area. Many university students who participate in the KIN program are also enrolled in the GGSE Science Education Minor, which is part of the Science and Math Initiative. This UC-wide initiative is focused on recruiting and training undergraduates for careers in secondary science education and mathematics teaching. The KIN program in partnership with GGSE provides undergraduate students with opportunities to learn science content, the Next Generation Science Standards for K-12, and how to teach this information in an effective and inspiring way. This program motivates our students to consider careers in education. Indeed, many of the participating students have entered the Teacher Education Program (TEP) in GGSE and received their Masters in Education and teaching credentials.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable the Kids in Nature program to expand their program and provide opportunities for teacher professional development, funding for additional classrooms to visit local coastal environments, and to develop a series of coastally focused activity boxes that will be used by teachers in our local area.

I am pleased to provide my enthusiastic recommendation in support of the Kids in Nature program.

Sincerely,

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Jane Close Conoley
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July 31, 2013

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



Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in strong support of Crystal Cove Alliance's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their *CCA Coastal Environmental Programs for K-12 & Public Audiences and Access* project.

The project will develop, test, and disseminate new approaches to educational programming that improves the way public lands (and waters) can support K-12 science and environmental standards. Funding would support the development of two innovative new initiatives, the Marine Protected Area Citizen Science Cruise and a suite of citizen science programs for the soon-to-be-completed Amphitheater and half-mile ADA accessible Environmental Study Loop at Moro Canyon. As State Parks struggle with budgets and relevancy, this project is designed to restore the public's faith in how California's natural resources are being managed. The innovative project is already recognized as a model within the 280-park California State Park system.

Crystal Cove State Park is one of California's natural gems with over 3.2 miles of undeveloped beach, 2,400 acres of pristine backcountry, and a 1,100 acre Underwater Park. The Park is enjoyed annually by over 1.5 million visitors and contributes to the fabric of California's lifestyle and robust economy. An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable Crystal Cove Alliance to increase its capacity to deliver effective and relevant environmental education programs to over 83,000 K-12, public, and after-school audiences each year.

I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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MIMI WALTERS
Senator, 37th District

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August 1, 2013

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in strong support of Crystal Cove Alliance's application for grant funding as part of the California State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program for their proposed **CCA Coastal Environmental Programs for K-12 & Public Audiences and Access** project.

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I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Allan R. Mansoor
Assemblymember, 74th District

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Major General Anthony L. Jackson, USMC (Ret), Director

July 26, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
Attention: Betsy Wilson
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in strong support of Crystal Cove Alliance's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their **CCA Coastal Environmental Programs for K-12 & Public Audiences and Access** project.

The project will develop, test, and disseminate new approaches to educational programming that improves the way public lands (and waters) can support K-12 science and environmental standards. Funding would support the development of two innovative new initiatives, the Marine Protected Area Citizen Science Cruise and a suite of citizen science programs for the soon-to-be-completed Amphitheater and ½ mile ADA accessible Environmental Study Loop at Moro Canyon. As State Parks begins a new era under new leadership, this project is designed to restore the public's faith in how California's natural resources are being managed. The innovative project is already recognized as a model within the 280-park California State Park system.

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I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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September 5, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
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Oakland, CA 94612
Attn: Betsy Wilson

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am writing to offer my support of Heal the Bay's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program. Funds will support the planning and execution of Heal the Bay's "Stoked on the Coast" video contest which will engage students across Southern California to share their experiences and ideas about the Southern California coastline.

Young people from everywhere are drawn to the beaches of Southern California. The video contest is uniquely designed to encourage middle and high school students from across the region to communicate their personal connection to the coast, and the coast's connection to them.

With a special focus on undeserved and inland students, the project cuts through geographic barriers and distance, inspires students, near or far, to exercise their creativity and produce, film and submit compelling 2-minute narratives. Heal the Bay will post and promote on their website, Facebook, Twitter and YouTube pages. Additionally, Heal the Bay will share the videos with educational institutions, agencies, non-profits, and businesses, to show how and why local youth have a vested interest in enjoying and protecting their local coastal waters.

Heal the Bay has a long tradition of attending school, going into local classrooms and teaching about our coastal environment, and involving youth in our shared heritage. "Stoked on the Coast" is an exciting and important project and I encourage the Coastal Conservancy to grant the funding request. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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ZEV YAROSLAVSKY
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August 16, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chair
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
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Dear Mr. Bosco:

As the Senator representing the 28th District, I am pleased to support the Los Angeles Conservation Corps' application for "Explore the Coast" grant funding. This funding would enable the Los Angeles Conservation Corps-SEA Lab to formulate an innovative Coastal Corps crew to support conservation efforts while increasing public education and stewardship of our fragile coastline. The program would be operated under the auspices of the SEA Lab, the Corps' marine science and education facility located in my District in Redondo Beach.

Serving more than 30,000 visitors annually, the SEA Lab is a respected training ground for under-represented young adults who want to enter the fields of marine science and education. The Coastal Corpsmembers will combat the urban blight imposed on our coastline by helping rehabilitate rescued sea life, leading free aquarium tours, hosting field trips and classes, maintaining coastal restoration projects, and operating the SEA Lab's native plant nursery. The Coastal Corps project is a training program developed to help conserve and protect the coastline with the energized leadership of young environmental stewards.

The Los Angeles Conservation Corps has been a strong leader in reducing environmental impacts and I enthusiastically support their grant application. Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (310) 318-6994.

Sincerely,

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TED W. LIEU
Senator, 28th District

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August 14, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chair
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
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Dear Mr. Bosco:

This letter is to express my strong support of the LA Conservation Corps' grant application to the California Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast program. This funding would allow the organization to develop a Coastal Corps crew of urban young people who will steward the conservation of our fragile coastline at its SEA Lab facility.

The project directly benefits the region by raising a new generation of engaged coastal proponents who, after receiving intensive hands-on training from Corps staff, will actively communicate the importance of its preservation to their communities and to future visitors.

One of the primary concerns of the residents of the 66th Assembly District is coastal preservation and environmental protection. The cities in my Assembly District include Gardena, Hermosa Beach, Lomita, the Los Angeles communities of Harbor City and Harbor Gateway, Manhattan Beach, Palos Verdes Estates, Rancho Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills, Rolling Hills Estates, Torrance and the unincorporated communities of El Camino Village, West Carson, and Redondo Beach – where the SEA Lab is located.

I strongly support LA Conservation Corps' Coastal Corps project and respectfully urge your approval of this grant application.

Sincerely,

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AL MURATSUCHI
Assemblymember, 66th District

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September 3, 2013

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612



Dear, Chairman Bosco:

I am providing this letter in support of the Maritime Museum of San Diego's application to the California Coastal Conservancy. The Maritime Museum of San Diego has requested funds to provide partial support for the costs associated with the Museum's conduct of the annual *Festival of Sail* program. It is my hope that the California Coastal Conservancy will continue to provide valuable support, as it has in the past, in favor of this important annual event on San Diego Bay.

I represent California's 36th State Senatorial District, which encompasses a good portion of San Diego County to the east of Interstate Highway 15.

The Maritime Museum of San Diego is one of San Diego's jewels. Home to *Star of India*, the world's oldest active sailing vessel that will celebrate her 150th anniversary this year. The Museum is one of the most prominent landmarks in San Diego, drawing people to the bayfront by virtue of the simple beauty of the ships collected there, and bringing them back to the Museum by virtue of the diversity and intrinsic interest of its exhibits, displays, and events.

Every year, the *Festival of Sail* brings hundreds of thousands of persons to the bayfront in common celebration of the beauty and vitality of our region, and to honor our maritime history. While my constituents do not live on the coast, they take great pride in the diversity of our region's topography and in the beauty of its coastline and bay. Thousands of District residents attend the *Festival* each year, and the *Festival* serves both to build San Diego's tourism industry, and to provide a unique entertainment and educational experience for hundreds of thousands of our region's residents.

The California Coastal Conservancy has played an integral role in helping to support the *Festival* and make it one of the premiere annual events in Southern California. I would greatly appreciate the Conservancy's serious consideration of further support for this signal event.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joel Anderson".

Senator Joel Anderson
36th Senate District

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SENATOR, THIRTY-NINTH DISTRICT

September 03, 2013

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco,

I am grateful for the chance to note my support for the Maritime Museum of San Diego's application to the California Coastal Conservancy requesting assistance in funding the Museum's annual *Festival of Sail* program. The *Festival of Sail* takes place each Labor Day weekend on San Diego's bay, and is one of the premiere events that identifies our city and region both within and beyond San Diego.

The 39th State Senatorial District, which I am pleased to represent, encompasses the bayfront, the Maritime Museum of San Diego, and a good portion of coastal San Diego County as well.

The Maritime Museum of San Diego is one of the most important and meaningful attractions in the greater San Diego area. The genesis of San Diego is directly tied to this region's relationship with the sea, from the first inhabitants of the region thousands of years ago, to the arrival of Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo's expedition, to the modern era of seaborne commerce and San Diego's role as home to America's Pacific Fleet. The Maritime Museum serves as a prime conservator and interpreter of this history. Beyond the striking aesthetic beauty of the Museum's collection of ships, the Museum does a great deal through its educational offerings to help residents, visitors, and thousands of school children understand the relationship between the sea and our region's development, and the importance of conserving the oceans for future generations.

Every year, the *Festival of Sail* brings hundreds of thousands of persons to the bayfront in common celebration of the beauty and vitality of our region, and to honor our maritime history. The *Festival* is an economic engine in our region, and a unique event that brings many people to the waterfront who otherwise rarely enjoy this area.

The California Coastal Conservancy's support has proved critical to the success of the *Festival*, and it is my sincere hope that the Commission will continue to support this hallmark event.

Sincerely,

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Senator Marty Block
39th Senate District



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August 30, 2013

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
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Dear Chairman Bosco and Members of the Conservancy:

I write in support of the funding request by the Maritime Museum of San Diego in support of the Museum's annual *Festival of Sail* over the Labor Day weekend. This event showcases the history of sailing and its role in California's history including a dramatic parade of tall ships.

The *Festival of Sail* is the largest tall ship festival on the west coast, and the single largest event held on San Diego's Bayfront. Over the four days, a steady stream of visitors will view this rare collection of tall ships and participate in the festivities that surround the event. The *Festival* is an economic boon to San Diego. It offers an opportunity to educate the public about the region's maritime heritage, the ecology of the bay and ocean, and the role that individuals can play in protecting and enhancing our 1100 mile coastline.

The Maritime Museum is both a prime attraction and a major educational resource in our region. Visitors experience the beauty of the Museum's ships set against the backdrop of San Diego Bay, to participating in informative tours of its numerous vessels including the Star of India, the Californian, HMS Surprise, Steam Ferry Berkeley, Steam Yacht Medea and the exciting build site of the San Salvador that, once launched, will sail the west coast as a working replica of Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo's flagship. Add to that the several tall ships on exhibit during the Festival and it becomes a memorable experience for children and adults, visitors and local residents.

I deeply appreciate the support in recent years that the California Coastal Conservancy has provided the Maritime Museum in making the *Festival of Sail* such a successful event, and encourage your support for the current request.

Warmly,

TONI ATKINS
Majority Leader
78th Assembly District

TA:ds





GREG COX
CHAIRMAN

San Diego County Board of Supervisors

March 14, 2013

Mr. Samuel P. Schuchat
Executive Officer
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

Dear Mr. Schuchat:

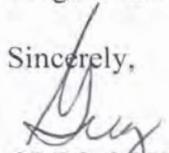
As the County Supervisor representing the First District in San Diego County, which includes the downtown waterfront on San Diego Bay, I am writing to strongly support the Maritime Museum of San Diego's request for a grant to support its *Festival of Sail*, to be held August 30-September 2, 2013 at the Museum.

Over the years, I have worked closely with the Maritime Museum of San Diego and have been thoroughly impressed by the Museum's collection of unique vessels, its educational programs, and its effort to celebrate and preserve San Diego's rich maritime legacy.

The Museum's *Festival of Sail* is one of our region's hallmark events, attracting hundreds of thousands of people to the downtown waterfront over Labor Day weekend. The *Festival* provides a significant economic benefit for the region's tourism industry and the businesses along the bayfront, while offering attendees the opportunity to enrich their knowledge of our region, its maritime history, and San Diego Bay's precious natural resources.

I respectfully urge your consideration of this funding request by the Maritime Museum of San Diego. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


GREG COX
Chairman



COUNCILMEMBER KEVIN FAULCONER

SECOND DISTRICT
CITY OF SAN DIEGO

March 20, 2013

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am pleased to provide this letter in support of the Maritime Museum of San Diego's application to the California Coastal Conservancy requesting funding to support the Museum's 2013 *Port of San Diego Festival of Sail* event.

As the Councilmember of District Two for the City of San Diego, which includes the Maritime Museum of San Diego, I am acutely aware of the benefits the Museum offers our city. It serves as the prime conservator of the City's maritime heritage, and its collection of historic ships is a top attraction for visitors and residents alike.

The *Port of San Diego Festival of Sail* is a marquee event in the San Diego region. The festival attracts thousands of people to the bayfront, creates a unique atmosphere, boosts the local economy, and helps to educate attendees about the unique ecology of the bay and ocean.

I appreciate your strong consideration of the Maritime Museum of San Diego's application for funding the 2013 *Port of San Diego Festival of Sail*.

Sincerely,

Kevin L. Faulconer
Councilmember
Second District

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March 27, 2013

Raymond Ashley, Ph.D.
Maritime Museum of San Diego
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San Diego, CA 92101

Dear Dr. Ashley:

I am pleased to provide this letter on behalf of the Port of San Diego in support of your application to the State Coastal Conservancy to fund the 2013 Port of San Diego *Festival of Sail*.

The Port of San Diego exists to foster a world class Port through excellence in public service. While protecting the Tidelands Trust resources, the Port seeks to balance economic benefits, community services, environmental stewardship, and public safety on behalf of the citizens of California. The Port oversees two maritime cargo terminals, a cruise ship terminal, 18 public parks, various wildlife reserves and environmental initiatives, a Harbor Police department and the leases of more than 600 tenant and sub-tenant businesses around San Diego Bay. The Port is governed by a seven-member Board of Port Commissioners; one commissioner each is appointed by the city councils of Chula Vista, Coronado, Imperial Beach and National City, and three commissioners are appointed by the San Diego City Council.

The Port of San Diego recognizes the important role of the Maritime Museum of San Diego in conserving our region's maritime history, promoting consciousness of the role that maritime activity has played throughout that history, and providing opportunities to visitors and residents alike to learn more about and take full advantage of the beautiful bay that is such an integral aspect of the life of this region.

The *Port of San Diego Festival of Sail* is one of San Diego's key annual events, attracting hundreds of thousands of people to the bay front. It is both a spectacular visual display and an important economic event for this city and its surrounding region. I wish you the best with your application, and look forward to the initiation of the Festival at the end of August.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ann Y. Moore".

Ann Y. Moore
Chair, Board of Port Commissioners



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SAN DIEGO PORT TENANTS ASSOCIATION

March 20, 2013

Raymond Ashley, Ph.D.
Maritime Museum of San Diego
1492 N. Harbor Drive
San Diego, CA 92101

Dear Dr. Ashley:

Thank you for the opportunity of providing this letter in support of the Port of San Diego Festival of Sail, and your application to the State Coastal Conservancy regarding funding for this important event.

San Diego Port Tenants Association (SDPTA) is a non-profit organization of businesses who lease land along the tidelands of San Diego Harbor. Operating out of locations on or near the San Diego tidelands, SDPTA membership includes representatives from the following businesses and organizations: ship building and repair; shipping and trade; marinas; yacht sales; San Diego boat yards; commercial and sports fishermen; the cruise ship industry; yacht clubs; aerospace and airport industries; the hospitality industry, including San Diego hotels and San Diego restaurants; retail merchants; and the U.S. Navy.

While SDPTA represents a diverse array of interests, all of these entities have a common interest in the maintenance of the Port of San Diego and environs as a thriving, going concern that balances the interests of commerce, industry, and recreation. SDPTA recognizes the vital importance of events such as the Festival of Sail in highlighting our region and Port to a worldwide audience, and providing visitors and residents alike opportunities to participate in and enjoy the life of the Port and bay front.

I have no doubt that this year's Festival of Sail will be a tremendous success, and we are particularly pleased to note that this year's Festival will be held on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of Star of India, one of San Diego's most visible and appreciated treasures.

I wish you the best of luck with your application, and look forward to working with you on the event this summer.

Sincerely,

Sharon Cloward, Presidents
San Diego Port Tenants Association

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September 24, 2013

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in support of the NOAA Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program. The grant will support a program in Ventura County called Multicultural Education for Resource Issues Threatening Oceans (MERITO) Academy.

The main goal of this project is to provide high-quality educational coastal experiences to underserved students of Title 1 schools in Ventura County. The curriculum engages them through watershed and ocean science education in their classroom and in the field along the coastal trails in three ecologically rich sites. The program is designed to actively engage low-income youth in ocean protection goals and inspire them to pursue careers in marine or environmental professional fields. As a year-end project, the students will develop three interpretative signs per trail using NOAA Office of National Marine Sanctuaries best practices.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable NOAA Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary to fully train staff and provide resources for this important program. I encourage you to give final approval to the grant application. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Fran Pavley

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Sept. 25, 2013

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in strong support of NOAA Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their Multicultural Education for Resource Issues Threatening Oceans Academy.

This project would provide high quality educational coastal experiences to underserved students of Title 1 schools in Ventura County. This program would offer in-class watershed and ocean science education along with the importance of ocean protection.

Ocean, coastal and environmental literacy is one of the most important things we should be teaching our young people. We know that even in California a high rate of our youth population has never been to the beach. Marine and coastal literacy is a justice issue. We must make every effort at inclusion so that we can prepare our next generation to be wholesome stewards of the earth.

It is also necessary for us to teach and inspire underrepresented students to pursue careers in marine and environmental professional fields. This program will make great progress toward achieving that goal.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable NOAA Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary to reach an important group of people who will directly benefit from these resources. I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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DAS WILLIAMS,
Assemblymember, 37th District

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August 27, 2013

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

Dear Chairman Bosco and Members of the Coastal Conservancy:

I write in support of the application submitted by the Ocean Discovery Institute for its Ocean Science Explorers, Explore the Coast application for 2013.

This program will empower the next generation of leaders in the fields of science and the environment locally. I have followed the work of the Ocean Discovery Institute for many years, first as an 8-year San Diego City Councilmember and now as a State Assemblymember. I was especially pleased that the Institute's work at the community level was recognized last year at The White House when they received the Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Mentoring.

The Institute has submitted a grant through the Conservancy's Explore the Coast program that will enable over 3,000 of the region's most underserved young people to investigate coastal habitats and learn how their actions upstream affect the downstream coastal habitats we all enjoy. The students will make discoveries that will translate into stewardship actions in their own backyards.

If provided this opportunity for exploration, these young explorers in the fields of science and conservation will transform their lives and their community. I encourage the Conservancy's support of the Ocean Discovery Institute's effort to expand the horizons of these 3000 young people.

Warmly,

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TONI ATKINS
Majority Leader
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August 22, 2013

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Re: Ocean Institute Grant for 2014 Tall Ships Festival

Dear Chairman Bosco:

We would like to state our support for the assistance funding requested by the Ocean Institute located in Dana Point for the 2014 Tall Ships Festival. The Ocean Institute has been hosting the festival in Dana Point for 29 years and we are grateful for the chance to support the Institute's application to the California State Coastal Conservancy requesting assistance in funding the Tall Ships Festival, one of the premiere events that identify Dana Point.

The Ocean Institute has the mission of inspiring all generations, through education, to become responsible stewards of our oceans and to be the world's best experiential ocean educational organization. The Institute offers hands-on marine science, environmental education and maritime history programs for the more than 115,000 K-12 students and 6,000 teachers annually who participate in the Institute's 61 award-winning, immersion style programs.

The Institute maintains two tall ships, the Pilgrim, a 130-foot vessel used in overnight and dockside programs, and the Spirit of Dana Point, a 118-foot topsail schooner. Both ships are active participants in the Tall Ships Festival.

Each year, the Tall Ships Festival brings thousands of people to Dana Point, contributing to the economic vitality of the region, and learning about our maritime history.

The California State Coastal Conservancy's past support has been pivotal to the success of the festival, and it is our sincere hope that the Conservancy will continue to support this hallmark event.

Sincerely,

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cc: Sam Schuchat, Executive Officer, California Coastal Conservancy
Dan Stetson, CEO/President, Ocean Institute
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MIKE BONIN

City of Los Angeles

Councilmember, Eleventh District

September 5, 2013

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I write in strong support of Otis College of Art and Design's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast Grant Program to support their 3rd Annual Kite Festival.

The Otis Kite Festival will increase coastal access to underserved children throughout the Los Angeles region and bring world-renowned artists to the beach; thus further enhancing our cultural landscape and offering a valuable experience for some of the region's most needy. This event has grown impressively in the past 2 years with attendance reaching over 5,000 people for the 2012 event.

An Explore the Coast Grant ensures the continued development and strengthening of social capital between community members, public agencies, and our precious environment. Otis is dedicated to continue its partnerships with organizations as diverse as Junior Blind of America, Children's Bureau, Urban Compass, Art4Moore, the Tides Foundation, and St. Jude's Hospital. The event takes place directly adjacent to the Santa Monica Pier, and is completely free. Children will receive their own free, sustainable kite that they will be able to paint and draw on. Many of these children do not have access to art classes in their community, so Otis is providing an incredibly valuable experience.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable Otis College of Art and Design to ensure another exciting and successful event. I encourage you to fund this important project.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,

MIKE BONIN
Councilmember, District 11

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Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
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Attn. Betsy Wilson

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in support of San Elijo Lagoon Conservancy's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their *Escondido to San Elijo: Bringing Inland Families to the Coast* project.

The *Escondido to San Elijo: Bringing Inland Families to the Coast* grant has two goals: 1) to increase the number of inland students participating in school programs at San Elijo Lagoon, and 2) to provide opportunities for the students and their families to participate in the seasonal and weekend Family Discovery Days events, including bus transportation to the lagoon.

Many lower-income families who live in San Diego inland communities have limited exposure to coastal environments, either through lack of transportation or lack of awareness of coastal resources. In addition, because the City of Escondido is upstream from San Elijo Lagoon, activities in Escondido directly impact the downstream health of the lagoon and the ocean.

This grant will help expand the Conservancy's education program, bringing the total number of students who visit annually from 1000 to 1150. It will also offer opportunities for 450 family members of the participating students to attend their joint County-Conservancy seasonal Family Discovery Days events. These events are free programs with the purpose to increase the public's knowledge of coastal wetlands and celebrate our rich coastal environment. The themed events provide hands-on crafts and activities, nature presentations, guided walks, and live animals. With support from this grant, the Conservancy will be able to provide for a total of 1600 underserved inland residents to visit the coast and participate in quality outreach and education programs.

I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Mark Wyland
Senator, 38th District

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City of Encinitas

Office of
The Mayor

August 7, 2013

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

Teresa Arballo Barth
Mayor

Attn. Betsy Wilson

Lisa Shaffer
Deputy Mayor

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in strong personal support of San Elijo Lagoon Conservancy's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their *Escondido to San Elijo: Bringing Inland Families to the Coast* project.

Kristin Gaspar
Council Member

The San Elijo Lagoon is located within the City of Encinitas and the City of Escondido is upstream from the lagoon. Activities in Escondido directly impact the downstream health of the lagoon and the ocean. Public outreach and education with the residents of Escondido will increase their awareness of the coastal environments and help foster an attitude of good stewardship for these valuable resources.

Tony Kranz
Council Member

With support from this grant, the Conservancy will be able to provide for a total of 1,600 underserved inland residents to visit the coast and participate in quality outreach and education programs including Family Discovery Day events.

Mark Muir
Council Member

As an elected official, I greatly appreciate the efforts of non-profit organizations like the Conservancy. They work in partnership with the County of San Diego and local cities to maintain and protect an important recreational and environmental resource.

I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Gus Vina
City Manager

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Mayor of Encinitas

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August 24, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
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Attn. Betsy Wilson

Dear Mr. Bosco:

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Sincerely,

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Olga Diaz
Deputy Mayor
City of Escondido

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31 July 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
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Attn. Betsy Wilson

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in strong support of The Ocean Foundation's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their **Ocean Connectors** project. I have worked with the Ocean Connectors project for many years and find this program to be the most inspiring environmental education program targeting youths in southern California that I have ever worked with. What's more, the program's director Frances Kinney is a gifted educator and very deeply committed to bettering the environmental ethic of the children of our state. With Frances at the helm, the project is sure to prosper even more!

The Ocean Connectors project makes a meaningful addition to existing educational programming in San Diego County, and it benefits the community by building a connection between local youth, the marine environment, and NOAA marine scientists working in the area. This is a truly unique educational effort targeting underserved youth in San Diego County, and one that promises to increase environmental awareness amongst our future leaders. The project is not only an asset to the local community, but will be a valuable educational tool for all of NOAA-National Marine Fisheries Service's partners on the west coast, as well as other collaborating agencies and schools.

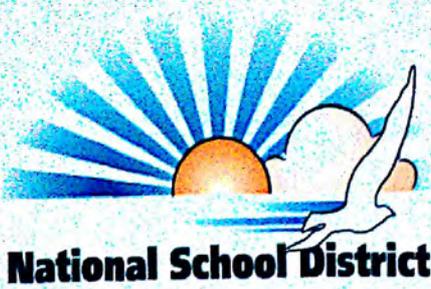
In closing, Ocean Connectors has a strong history of success, and I fully endorse and support funding this remarkable effort. An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable The Ocean Foundation to expand the Ocean Connectors project and to implement a more effective program model. I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Yours kindly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeffrey A. Seminoff".

Jeffrey A. Seminoff, Ph.D.
Leader, Marine Turtle Ecology & Assessment Program





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August 8, 2013

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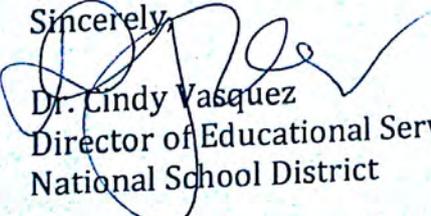
Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in strong support of The Ocean Foundation's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their Ocean Connectors project.

The Ocean Connectors project is a meaningful science education program that works collaboratively with National School District to impact the lives of children and their families in understanding and supporting our ocean and its inhabitants. This collaborative project represents an unprecedented opportunity to mobilize the community and inspire coastal conservation. National School District has been involved with Ocean Connectors since 2006, and we are now working to bring this unique program to every elementary school within our District. Ocean Connectors enables our students to participate in environmental learning opportunities completely free of charge, opportunities which would be otherwise unavailable. The program is a valuable addition to our existing school curriculum, meets state learning standards, and benefits our schools and the community overall. We strongly support this program, what it stands for, and what it does for the lives of our students.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable Ocean Connectors to achieve our goal of bringing the program to every school in National School District. I truly believe this program needs to be supported so that environmental learning opportunities can be extended across the community and I encourage the Coastal Conservancy to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Dr. Cindy Vasquez
Director of Educational Services
National School District



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July 18, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
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Attn. Betsy Wilson

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I strongly support The Ocean Foundation's grant application for funding to support their Ocean Connectors project as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program.

Qualcomm Foundation and Qualcomm Incorporated are committed to supporting Ocean Connectors' activities that bring youth outdoors to foster a sense of community stewardship. This program is a substantial benefit not only to participating students but also to the greater San Diego community. Youth contribute firsthand to improving and protecting native habitats while receiving a meaningful service-learning opportunity and better science education.

I can personally attest to the tremendous value of the Ocean Connectors program. We have supported this innovative program for five years with funding, employee volunteers and other resources. I also serve on the Ocean Connectors Advisory Board to provide professional expertise and recommendations for strategic growth and future program expansion.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable The Ocean Foundation to expand the impact of the Ocean Connectors project, and to continue offering this valuable program in local schools. I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Jennifer Arrowsmith
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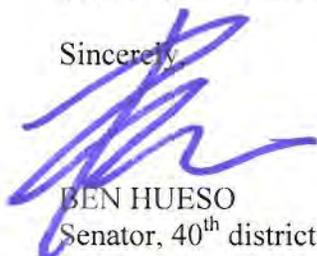
Dear Mr. Bosco,

I am writing in strong support of WILD Coast's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their project to engage underserved youth in coastal recreation and stewardship activities in San Diego's Marine Protected Areas.

In San Diego, many disadvantaged communities have limited access to information about the value and the recreational opportunities associated with California's MPAs. Since 2012, WILD Coast has carried out MPA outreach, education and monitoring with an emphasis on engaging the South San Diego Latino and youth community. Through education and stewardship trainings and engagement in MPA-based recreational activities in conjunction with Outdoor Outreach, WILD Coast will increase educational, recreational and stewardship opportunities in San Diego's MPAs to underserved youth. Outdoor Outreach is a 501c3 nonprofit youth development organization with over 12 years of experience providing safe and positive outdoor recreation opportunities to disadvantaged youth in San Diego.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable WILD Coast to continue to expand its MPA outreach in particular to San Diego underserved youth communities. I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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Senator, 40th district

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July 26, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612
Attn: Betsy Wilson

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I would like to introduce you to WILD Coast, a non-profit located in my district in California. WILD Coast is applying for an 'Explore the Coast' grant in order to engage underserved youth in educational, recreational and stewardship opportunities in San Diego's newly created Marine Protected Areas (MPA). Through the 'Explore the Coast' grant program, public agencies and non-profits throughout California are provided funds to support activities that allow more people to explore California's spectacular coast. These activities include valuable recreational, environmental, cultural and historic learning experiences. I strongly believe that WILD Coast's application meets these objectives and fulfills the goal of outreaching to diverse communities in San Diego County.

In 2012, eleven MPAs were designated in San Diego County through the Marine Life Protection Act. Many local disadvantaged communities have limited access to information concerning the value of MPAs and their recreational opportunities. MPAs will allow coastal ecosystems to recover from decades of overfishing and to encourage compatible recreational opportunities. Since their implementation, WILD Coast has led the efforts to outreach, educate, and monitor for MPAs with an emphasis on engaging the South San Diego Latino and youth community. In conjunction with Outdoor Outreach, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit youth development organization, WILD Coast will provide more opportunities for underserved youth to become more aware and

involved in conserving MPAs. These activities include coastal ecology training, cleanups, public outreach events, tidepool tours and citizen science.

Thank you for your time and your thoughtful consideration of this grant application. I look forward to working with you in the future and please feel free to contact me, or Aaron Allen in my office, if you have any questions or concerns at (202) 225-8045.

Sincerely,



JUAN VARGAS
Member of Congress
51st District, California



COUNCILMEMBER SHERRI S. LIGHTNER

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July 17, 2013

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I strongly support WILDCOAST's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their project to engage underserved youth in coastal recreation and stewardship activities for San Diego's Marine Protected Areas.

In San Diego, many disadvantaged communities have limited access to information about the value and the recreational opportunities associated with California's MPAs. Since 2012, WILDCOAST has carried out MPA outreach, education and monitoring with an emphasis on engaging the South San Diego Latino and youth community.

WILDCOAST, through education and stewardship trainings and engagement in MPA-based recreational activities in conjunction with Outdoor Outreach will increase educational, recreational and stewardship opportunities to underserved youth. Outdoor Outreach is a 501c3 nonprofit youth development organization with over 12 years of experience providing safe and positive outdoor recreational opportunities to disadvantaged youth in San Diego.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable WILDCOAST to continue to expand its MPA outreach to San Diego's underserved youth communities. I encourage you to fund this important project. If my office can be of further assistance or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

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Sherri S. Lightner
Council President Pro Tem, City of San Diego

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**DAVID ALVAREZ
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July 19, 2013

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I write in support of WILD Coast's application for State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant funding for its project to engage underserved youth in coastal recreation and stewardship activities in San Diego's Marine Protected Areas.

In San Diego, and particularly in the District I represent, disadvantaged communities have limited access to information about the value and the recreational opportunities associated with California's MPAs. Since 2012, WILD Coast has carried out MPA outreach, education and monitoring with an emphasis on engaging the South San Diego Latino and youth community. Through education and stewardship trainings and engagement in MPA-based recreational activities in conjunction with Outdoor Outreach, WILD Coast will increase educational, recreational and stewardship opportunities in San Diego's MPAs to underserved youth. Outdoor Outreach is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit youth development organization with more than 12 years of experience providing safe and positive outdoor recreation opportunities to disadvantaged youth in San Diego.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable WILD Coast to continue to expand its MPA outreach in particular to San Diego underserved youth communities. I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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David Alvarez
Councilmember, San Diego's Eighth District



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September 25, 2013

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

RE: Support for Bay Area Outreach & Recreation Program (BORP)

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in support of Bay Area Outreach & Recreation Program's (BORP) application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their California Coastal and SF Bay Trails Disability Cycling Project. An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable BORP to provide volunteer opportunities, training, and SF Bay Trail access to hundreds of individuals each year.

BORP serves a vital role to the San Francisco Bay Area. Their hard work allows for increased access for individuals with disabilities to the beautiful Northern California Coastline. It is the only cycling program of its kind North of Los Angeles.

As an advocate for increased access for all and my extensive environmental background in policy and education, I am happy to support BORP's application for a grant from the California Coastal Conservancy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Nancy Skinner".

Nancy Skinner
Assemblymember, 15th District



Loni Hancock SENATOR, NINTH DISTRICT

September 27, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612
Attention: Betsy Wilson

RE: Support for the Bay Area Outreach & Recreation Program's (BORP) Application for State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast Grant Program

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am writing in support of the Bay Area Outreach & Recreation Program's (BORP) application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their California & San Francisco Bay Trails Disability Cycling Project.

BORP's California Coastal & SF Bay Trails Disability Cycling Project will make it possible for people with physical disabilities to access coastal recreation and education experiences similar to those available to people without disabilities. California has greatly improved coastal access in the last decade through the creation and improvement of bicycle and pedestrian trails, accompanying interpretive facilities and wildlife viewing areas. These trails provide many opportunities for individuals and families to experience, enjoy, and learn about California's coastal resources and the importance of protection and conservation.

Unfortunately, people with physical disabilities such as paralysis, blindness, cerebral palsy, and other mobility impairments, still encounter barriers to enjoying these resources. Wheelchairs can be challenging to use on long grades and variable path conditions, and interpretive and wildlife viewing facilities are sometimes a prohibitively long distance from parking and access areas.

I strongly support BORP's application. They have over 36 years of experience providing adaptive accessible cycling trips on sections of the California Coastal Trail and the San Francisco Bay Trail, and provide year round adaptive cycles on the San Francisco Bay Trail in the East Bay. These opportunities will make it possible for hundreds of people with disabilities to enjoy these trails and the access they provide.

Thank you for your consideration. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me through my District Office.

Sincerely,

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LONI HANCOCK
Senator

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September 6, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
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Attn. Betsy Wilson

Dear Mr. Bosco:

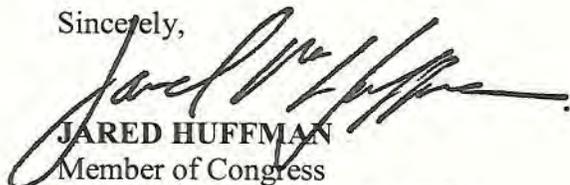
I am writing in strong support of Shark Stewards' application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support their education program Shark Watch.

Shark Stewards' Shark Watch project is a unique and innovative program that uses technology, film and activities to promote a greater appreciation to the denizens of the Pacific coastline and the San Francisco Bay and the systems they inhabit. Through direct engagement with fishermen, schools and the public at large during their "Sharktobberfest" educational events (some which I and many of my constituents have attended) our citizens learn how to assist with scientific data collection and the importance of all animals in the marine ecosystem, especially sharks.

Past events held by this group have reached thousands in the greater Bay Area. The videos Shark Stewards have produced are widely available on You Tube reaching a Chinese and Latino audience in their own languages. Sharks are a great hook that allows Shark Stewards to share their messages on marine ecosystems and species protection. The public pier programs reach a broad and diverse demographic not normally targeted in most marine education and outreach programs.

Learning more about sharks helps us gain a greater appreciation for the entire coastal and bay ecosystems, and an Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable Shark Stewards to build on the past five years promoting marine education and protection to the Bay Area community and visitors to the San Francisco Bay area. Thank you for your full and fair consideration of this proposal.

Sincerely,


JARED HUFFMAN
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Douglas Bosco, Chairman
Attn. Betsy Wilson

California Coastal Conservancy
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RE: California Coastal Conservancy "Explore the Coast" Grant Application

Dear Mr. Bosco,

I am writing in strong support of Shark Stewards' application for grant funding as part of the California Coastal Conservancy's "Explore the Coast" grant program to support their education program Shark Watch.

Shark Steward's Shark Watch project is a unique and innovative program that uses technology, film and activities to promote a greater appreciation of the denizens of the Pacific coastline and the San Francisco Bay and the systems they inhabit.

Through direct engagement with fishermen, schools and the public at large during their "Sharktoberfest" educational events, our communities learn how to assist with scientific data collection and the importance of all animals in the marine ecosystem - especially sharks. Past events held by this group have reached thousands in the greater Bay Area.

I personally know David McGuire, Shark Stewards' Founder and Executive Director, and worked with him on our California Shark Conservation legislation AB 376 (Fong, ban on "shark finning"). I have learned to appreciate the importance of sharks to our oceans and why they need protection. A focus on sharks allows Shark Stewards to share their broader messages on marine ecosystems and species protection. Learning more about sharks helps us gain a greater appreciation for the entire coastal and bay ecosystems.

The public pier programs reach a broad and diverse demographic not normally targeted in most marine education and outreach programs. The videos that Shark Stewards have produced are widely available on You Tube with some reaching a Chinese and Latino audience in their own languages.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable Shark Stewards to build on the past five years promoting marine education and protection to the Bay Area community and visitors to the San Francisco Bay and in five coastal counties adjacent to the Bay.

I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kathrin Sears

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August 5, 2013

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

Environmental Traveling Companions (ETC) and California State Parks have shared a valued partnership for the last 30 years at Angel Island State Park and for the last two years at Tomales Bay State Park. ETC is instrumental in helping the park diversify its users. With the guidance of ETC's highly trained and dedicated volunteer guides, youth from under-resourced backgrounds and people with disabilities paddle across San Francisco Bay to visit and explore and discover the beauty and richness of Angel Island State Park. With a new MOU in place, ETC also has a small program base at Tomales Bay State Park where their paddlers with special needs can now explore the stunning shoreline and wildlife on Tomales Bay. Approximately, 325 ETC participants annually stay overnight Angel Island and 180 explore Tomales Bay.

At Angel Island State Park, ETC primarily uses "Quarters 10," a civil war-era building that was remodeled in 1984 to be ADA accessible so that the park could better serve people with disabilities. ETC has been integral in helping the park realize this goal during our nearly three-decade partnership. ETC's participants have a unique experience on the island; one they would not otherwise have.

At Tomales Bay, ETC launches their kayaks at Hearts Desire Beach for one or multi-day trips. On overnights, they mostly camp at Marshal Beach but they also use the State Park campgrounds at Tomales Bay SP and Samuel P. Taylor SP for their Youth LEAD expeditions and trips with paddlers who have disabilities. Again, this symbiotic partnership helps the State Parks achieve their goals of access to non-traditional users and enables ETC to explore the parklands by kayak.

An ETC trip is much more than learning to kayak. Over the course of an ETC adventure, participants experience personal growth that contributes to being well-rounded citizens. These trips teach self-sufficiency and inspire participants to address and overcome their fears. While exploring Angel Island and Tomales Bay, they gain hands-on knowledge about the rich natural and historic resources within the parks and begin developing an ethic of environmental stewardship. A trip with ETC is a transformative experience and deeply valuable to each and every participant.

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We genuinely value the long-term partnership we have developed with ETC and strongly believe in their mission and the programs they provide with the collaboration of California State Parks. I fully support ETC's California State Coastal Conservancy grant proposal to expand their accessible and educational Sea Kayak Program.

If you have further questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at 707-769-5665 extension 224.

Sincerely,


Danita Rodriguez
District Superintendent



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To: Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612
Attn. Betsy Wilson

August 1, 2013

Dear Mr. Bosco,

In October, I will be participating in my 30th year of bringing visually impaired students on ETC kayak trips to Angel Island or Tomales Bay. Every year I am reminded of how rich and life-changing the ETC overnight sea kayak trips are for my students. ETC does a terrific job in organizing these trips - from pre-trip orientation meetings, to teaching the students how to paddle, to safely kayaking across Raccoon Strait to Angel Island or on Tomales Bay, to the fun games and "talent/no talent" shows and shared work of cooking meals and cleaning the house where we stay on the island, all the way to the closing circle that is the traditional conclusion to all ETC trips.

The visually impaired students who have participated in ETC sea kayaking trips over the years have had the time of their lives, and never forget their ETC adventures. These trips allow our students to experience sea kayaking; for some students, it's even their first experience of being on the water in a boat of any size. These experiences help build the students' self-esteem and confidence. One parent said that her son always returns home from the ETC trips ten feet tall. Too often, these young people are painfully aware of their visual impairments, and of being "different" from other children, especially when it comes to physical activity. It is wonderful for them to find out that there are ways to be physically active that do not require normal vision. And because most of our students seldom get a chance to be with other visually impaired kids, an ETC trip is a safe, supportive place where they learn that they are not the only visually impaired kid in the world, that there are other kids facing the same challenges they are. The opportunity to kayak, hike, cook, and just have fun without the stigma of feeling different is also an important outcome of an ETC trip.

My colleagues, students, parents, and I thank ETC and its cadre of wonderful volunteer guides for providing such wonderful experiences for our students. I am also pleased and proud to say that some of the students who I have brought kayaking with ETC have grown up to be committed ETC volunteers and role models for a new generation of ETC youth.

ETC makes such a difference in people's lives. If everyone could experience the supportive ETC community, what a different world it would be. Long live ETC!

Sincerely,

Wendy Scheffers
Teacher for the Visually Impaired
Orientation and Mobility Specialist

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August 14, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612
Attn: Betsy Wilson

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am pleased to write to you in support of the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy's (GGNPC) application for \$33,000 grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program. The funds will be used in support of the GGNPC's Community Shuttle Program.

One of the most widely noted barriers to visiting the Golden Gate National Parks is the lack of accessible, affordable transportation. Beginning on selected Saturdays in 2014, the Community Shuttle Program will offer free shuttle service from underserved neighborhoods in the Bay Area to four coastal park sites, including Muir Beach in Marin County. These neighborhoods will be selected based on visitor survey data.

The partnership efforts of the California State Coastal Conservancy, Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy and National Park Service have already produced extraordinary results in the nearly completed restoration of Redwood Creek at Muir Beach. An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy will enable the Parks Conservancy to launch the Community Shuttle Program introducing new, diverse audiences to our richly unique coastal national parks.

I encourage you to fund this worthwhile program and I thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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NOREEN EVANS
Senator, 2nd District

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August 19, 2013

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing to support the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy's application to the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program. The funds would be used to support its Community Shuttle program.

The Community Shuttle program will be launched in 2014 to address one of the widely noted barriers to visiting the Golden Gate National Parks – lack of accessible transportation. On selected Saturdays in 2014, this program will offer free shuttle service from underserved neighborhoods in the Bay Area to four key coastal park sites, including Lands End and the Presidio in San Francisco County. Neighborhood shuttle destinations will represent populations that are currently underserved in the parks based on visitor survey data and will build on strong, pre-existing relationships with local community-based organizations.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable the Parks Conservancy to launch this Community Shuttle program to introduce new, diverse audiences to the coastal areas of the Golden Gate National Parks. The partnership work of the California State Coastal Conservancy, Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy, and National Park Service has already produced extraordinary results on behalf of my constituents, including the recent transformation of Lands End and the development of the Presidio trails and bikeways network. I encourage you to fund the Community Shuttle program to help connect local residents with these rich park resources. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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MARK LENO
Senator, District 11



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Amy Hutzell
Regional Manager, San Francisco Bay Area
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
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Dear Ms. Hutzell:

Channel Islands National Park supports the California State Coastal Conservancy grant request for environmental education outreach submitted by Pelican Media.

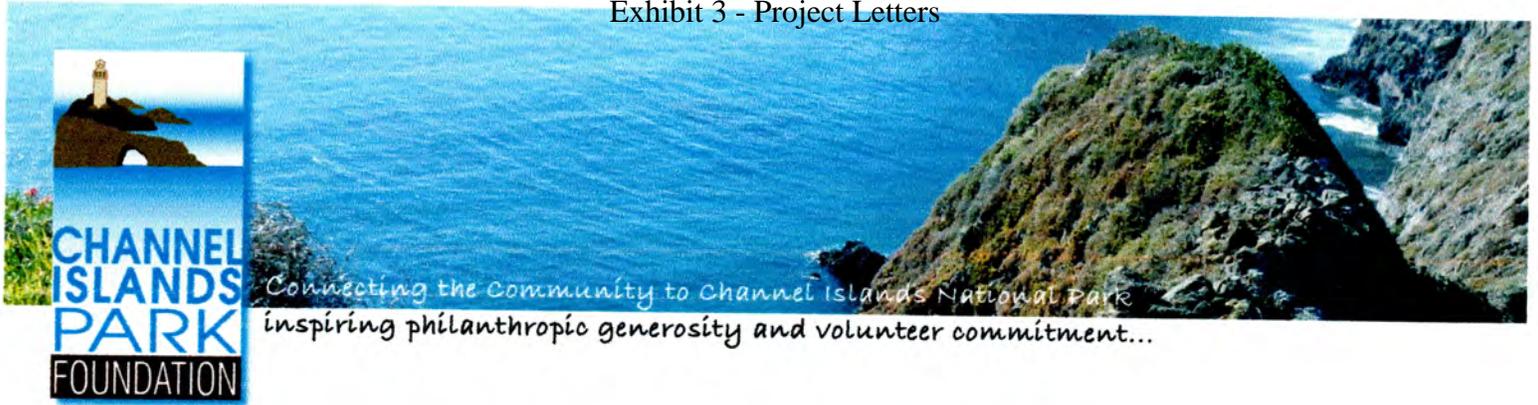
The Channel Islands National Park has been collaborating with Pelican Media on their documentary, "Pelican Dreams," since 2009. The park has provided support for the filming of California brown pelicans breeding, nesting, chick rearing, and fledging on Santa Barbara and Anacapa Islands.

The park looks forward to using the film and the B-roll footage that Pelican Media is providing the park in a wide variety of our education programs. We are currently developing an educational curriculum specifically on seabirds that will be for grades K-12. We also anticipate incorporating the "Pelican Dreams" film and footage into community outreach events.

We look forward to continuing our collaboration with Pelican Media, and support them in their proposal to the California State Coastal Conservancy to fund outreach events associated with the release of the film "Pelican Dreams."

Sincerely,

Ann Huston
Acting Superintendent



April 30, 2013

Amy Hutzell
Regional Manager, San Francisco Bay Area
California State Coastal Conservancy
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Dear Ms Hutzell:

Channel Islands Park Foundation supports the California State Coastal Conservancy grant request for environmental education outreach submitted by Pelican Media.

Channel Islands Park Foundation is the official philanthropic partner of Channel Islands National Park and in partnership with the Park, focuses on preservation, restoration and education programs that inspire visitors to make lasting connections with the Channel Islands.

The Foundation is particularly excited about the opportunity Pelican Dreams will provide in our mission of connecting the community to Channel Islands National Park and look forward to working with Judy Irving on a gala benefit screening of Pelican Dreams in support of the Park.

Sincerely,

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Lenore Carleton
Vice President
Channel Islands Park Foundation

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August 2, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
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Attn. Betsy Wilson

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing to support Turtle Island Restoration Network's application for grant funding for \$ 48,000 as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support Turtle Island Restoration Network's "Be a California Sea Turtle Hero!" initiative.

Turtle Island Restoration Network (TIRN) is a nationwide and international program whose mission is to protect and campaign for endangered marine species like the Pacific leatherback sea turtle while conserving and restoring their habitats.

"Be a California Sea Turtle Hero!" will encourage at least 5,000 people from new audiences to visit the California Coast in 2014 and take part in a photo contest and fun activities tied in with the Pacific Leatherback sea turtle, which is a new California state symbol. Funding this program will fulfill the need to communicate with the public about complex coast and ocean protection issues in positive and relevant ways and most importantly, address the needs of children and adults for active, enjoyable experiences in the natural world.

An Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable Turtle Island Restoration Network to engage new audiences about these critical issues through education. I encourage you to give this important project your full and fair consideration.

Sincerely,


JARED HUFFMAN
Member of Congress

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

It is my pleasure to provide a letter of support on behalf of Point Bonita YMCA in its application for an Explore the Coast program grant from the State Coastal Conservancy. Since our inception as a unit of the National Park Service (NPS) in 1972, Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) has cultivated an extensive community of facility-based partnerships that complement and help fulfill the mission of the NPS. The Point Bonita YMCA has delivered excellent experiential education programs to youth in this park since 1980.

Thousands of students in the San Francisco Bay Area have never spent a day at the beach and a grant from your organization would enable the Point Bonita YMCA to reach many of those students that might not otherwise have the opportunity to experience their national park lands and the scenic coastline. Specifically, Point Bonita YMCA's *Get to the Coast* program will target middle and high school students attending Title 1 schools. Participants will have the opportunity to explore the Pacific coastline and engage in hands on environmental science and education over the course of a multi-day trip to the Point Bonita YMCA campus in GGNRA's Marin Headlands.

Point Bonita YMCA has a history of successfully operating youth programming along our coastline and contributing to the development of a new generation of environmental stewards. The organization is an invaluable partner to the NPS and GGNRA wholly supports the partner's grant application to make this work possible. Thank you for the opportunity to demonstrate our support and for your consideration of this grant application. Feel free to contact Sara Solomon, GGNRA Partnership Manager, at (415) 561-4742 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Frank Dean
General Superintendent



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Sept. 9, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
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Attn. Betsy Wilson

Dear Mr. Bosco,

I am writing in strong support of the YMCA Point Bonita's application for grant funding as part of the State Coastal Conservancy's Explore the Coast grant program to support the "Get to the Coast" Educational Program.

The Get to the Coast Program aims to provide middle and high school students attending Title 1 schools with the opportunity to explore the Marin Headlands and Pacific coastline to engage in hands on environmental science and education. Thousands of students in the San Francisco Bay Area have never spent a day at the beach. Through Get to the Coast, Students from several schools will experience a 3 day, 2 night trip to the Point Bonita YMCA in the Marin Headlands. On this trip they will learn about the California coastline, marine biology, biodiversity, ecological processes, and teambuilding, as well as complete scientific research and community service projects. In addition, the Point Bonita YMCA's intentional use of the outdoors as a platform for healthy living provides much needed respite from the city environment and contributes to participant's physical, mental, and social well-being.

Ultimately, the Explore the Coast grant from the State Coastal Conservancy would enable Point Bonita YMCA to reach many students that might not otherwise have the opportunity to experience their National Parks and the scenic coastline. Moreover, this opportunity will provide participants the opportunity to engage in citizen science in a healthy, rewarding, and experiential way.

To build the next generation of healthy environmental stewards and ensure our coastline is loved and protected for years to come, I encourage you to fund this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kevin M. Truitt, Associate Superintendent
Student, Family & Community Support Dept. - SFUSD

September 10, 2013

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
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Attn: Betsy Wilson

Dear Mr. Bosco,

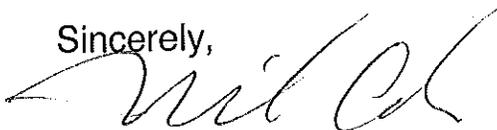
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Sincerely,



Nicole Anderson
Principal
Highland Elementary School

Exhibit 3 - Project Letters

September 8, 2013

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My multi-culturally diverse class of fourth graders has been participating in the "My Home, My School, My Community" program with Point Bonita for the past five years. This program includes neighborhood hikes, as well as trips to Crissy Field and Muir Woods. The program has been crucial to our science curriculum, teaching our students many fourth grade standards, such as life cycles, interdependence of species, adaptations, erosion, etc. However, the naturalist led activities also exposed the students to their own connection to the environment and hopefully, a sense of responsibility. For most of our students the trip to Muir Woods was their first visit to view the giant redwoods and hike in the forest. Our students retained lots of information from our trip and often talked about the trees and nature they were exposed to that day. It may have been the first trip across the Golden Gate Bridge for some students, as evidenced by the joyful shouting as we crossed the bridge!

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Sincerely,



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