

Exhibit 3: Letters of Support

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April 18, 2014

Doug Bosco
Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
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RE: Support for Community Conservation Solutions Green Solution, Phase IV Proposal for Upper Los Angeles River Watershed

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am writing to express my support for approval of a grant to Community Conservation Solutions (CCS) for the Green Solution Project: Upper LA River Watershed, Phase IV. CCS' Green Solution focuses on stopping the daily waste of stormwater and dry weather runoff, particularly in urban areas, and on transforming the problem of polluted runoff into an invaluable resource of sustainable, clean water, while creating and restoring "smart" natural habitat and open space.

This study will build on stormwater capture capacity analyses that CCS has already conducted in the Upper L.A. River Watershed for hundreds of potential projects, and will further quantify the projects' regional water supply benefits, energy savings and reductions in greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs).

This Phase IV Green Solution analysis is essential to provide decision-makers with a practical way to know where – and in what order – to construct stormwater capture projects to maximize water supply and water quality, as well as other public benefits, to ensure limited public funding is wisely invested. This work will help move Southern California to a sustainable water future and will assist with long-term planning for climate change adaptability.

I urge the SCC Board of Directors to support this important project, as a funding match was recently approved by the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for this project. The Green Solution Project provides a very necessary metrics-driven approach to managing stormwater, and demonstrates the continued leadership of the State Coastal Conservancy in providing innovative, rational resource planning. Thank you for your consideration. Should you have any questions, please contact Kara Seward in my District Office at (818) 876-3352.

Sincerely,

Fran Pavley

Fran Pavley
State Senate, 27th District

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April 18, 2014

Doug Bosco, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
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RE: Support for Community Conservation Solutions Green Solution, Phase IV Proposal for Upper Los Angeles River Watershed

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I write to express my strong support for the approval of a grant to the Community Conservation Solutions (CCS) for the Green Solution Project: Upper LA River Watershed, Phase IV. The primary objective of the Green Solution is to stop the daily waste of stormwater and dry weather runoff, and on transforming the problem of polluted runoff into an invaluable resource of sustainable, clean water, while creating and restoring "smart" natural habitat and open space.

This study will build on stormwater capture capacity analyses that CCS has already conducted in the Upper L.A. River Watershed for hundreds of potential projects, and will further quantify the projects' regional water supply benefits, energy savings and reductions in greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs).

As you are already aware, California is going through an unprecedented water crisis, and as elected representatives we have a responsibility to ensure that we use all available means and that proper measures are taken, to make calculated decisions in regards to our water resources. California cities, such as Los Angeles, will greatly benefit from the pragmatic way of solving water infrastructure problems which CCS offers. The Phase IV Green Solution analysis will be an essential resource to identify where – and in what order – to construct storm water capture projects to maximize water supply, water quality and other public benefits, and to ensure that limited public funds are wisely invested.

This important undertaking will build on the crucial work that the CCS has already been able to achieve thus far in my district. This work will lead to cleaning up polluted storm water and dry weather runoff in Los Angeles County to transform it into a source of clean, usable water.

It is for these reasons why I strongly believe that the Green Solution Project will help move Southern California to a sustainable water future and will assist with long-term planning for climate change adaptability. This project provides a very necessary metrics-driven approach to managing stormwater, and demonstrates the continued leadership of the State Coastal Conservancy in providing innovative, rational resource planning.

I respectfully request that the SCC Board of Directors support this important project.

Sincerely,

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Adrin Nazarian
Assemblymember, 46th District



April 16, 2014

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

RE: Support for Community Conservation Solutions Green Solution, Phase IV Proposal for Upper Los Angeles River Watershed

Dear Chairman Bosco:

On behalf of the Council for Watershed Health, I am writing to support Community Conservation Solutions' (CCS) project *Green Solution Project: Upper L.A. River Watershed, Phase IV*.

The Council is Southern California's trusted hub for watershed research and analysis. Our Vision 2025 pushes us to work toward a Southern California that is a model of sustainable urban watershed management, with clean waters, reliable local water supplies, restored native habitats, ample parks and open spaces, integrated flood management, and revitalized rivers and urban centers. We believe Community Conservation Solutions' proposed study will be an important step towards this Vision and thus I am happy to lend our support.

Our collaborative *Los Angeles Basin Water Augmentation Study* has shown the value of stormwater infiltration in the San Fernando Groundwater Basin. We are looking forward to seeing the results of the CCS project and to align their output with similar work we are completing for other areas in greater Los Angeles including the Los Angeles Department of Water & Power Stormwater Capture Master Plan.

We urge your support of this important project that will provide essential information to decision-makers of where – and in what order – stormwater capture projects should be deployed to maximize water supply, water quality, GHG reductions, habitat restoration and other public benefits.

If you have any questions, please contact our Programs Director, Mike Antos at 213-229-9954.

Sincerely,

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Nancy L.C. Steele, D. Env.
Executive Director

The Council's determination that a proposal is consistent with our mission and vision and is therefore worthy of our support does not imply that all individual agencies and organizations represented on the Board of Directors concur with, or have reviewed, the proposal.



April 17, 2014

Mr. Doug Bosco
Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
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Proposal for Upper Los Angeles River Watershed**

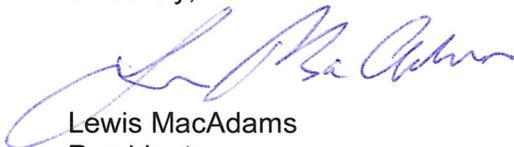
Dear Chairman Bosco:

Friends of the L.A. River, supports approval of a grant to Community Conservation Solutions (CCS) for the Green Solution Project: Upper L.A. River Watershed, Phase IV. The Phase IV study will provide the quantitative research to support a metrics-driven approach for local and regional governments to rely on for selecting highest priority stormwater capture projects. Phase IV will benefit the LA River as projects that are closest to the river and its tributaries rank as the highest priority.

CCS' Green Solution focuses on stopping the daily waste of stormwater and dry weather runoff, particularly in urban areas, and on transforming the problem of polluted runoff into an invaluable resource of sustainable, clean water. The Green Solution uses lands already in public ownership to create "smart" natural habitat and open space that use the natural functions of soils and plants to remove pollutants. This Phase IV Green Solution study will build on stormwater capture capacity analyses that CCS has already conducted in the Upper L.A. River Watershed for hundreds of potential projects, and will further quantify their regional water supply benefits, energy savings and reductions in greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs).

This Phase IV Green Solution analysis is essential to provide decision-makers with a practical, rational way to know where – and in what order – to construct stormwater capture projects to maximize water supply, water quality, GHG reductions, habitat restoration and other public benefits, and to ensure that our limited public funds are spent wisely. We urge your support of this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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