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November 4, 2014

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in support of Save the Redwoods League's (League) Shady Dell California Coastal Trail (CCT) construction grant application. The goal of this project is to complete construction of 2.2 miles of new CCT at the southern end of the Lost Coast in Mendocino County. This trail project will enable the League, in partnership with the Mendocino Land Trust, to provide the public with exciting new coastal trail hiking opportunities. California residents and visitors alike will benefit from completion of this new CCT segment.

The Conservancy has invested \$3,000,000 towards acquisition of the Shady Dell property in 2011 and \$78,750 for "Phase I" Trail Design, Planning, and Permitting in 2012. This "Phase II" grant request for \$350,000 is a natural next step for 2015.

The 957-acre Shady Dell property contains a variety of highly valuable habitats, including one mile of coastline, as well as riparian and forested habitat types. The new trail will travel east and west of the existing County Road (Usal Road), cross Shady Dell Creek, wind through a candelabra tree forest, and connect at its northern end to the existing "Lost Coast" trail.

The League is contributing 22% of the project budget (\$100,000) and requests \$350,000 from the Coastal Conservancy. The total project budget is \$460,000, including \$10,000 of in-kind volunteer labor, to be coordinated by the Mendocino Land Trust.

I hope that you will give this application full consideration.

Sincerely,


JARED HUFFMAN
Member of Congress

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October 27, 2014

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing to you in support of Save the Redwoods League's Shady Dell California Coastal Trail (CCT) construction grant application. The goal of this project is to complete construction of 2.2 miles of new CCT, at the southern end of the Lost Coast in Mendocino County. This trail project will enable the League, in partnership with the Mendocino Land Trust, to provide the public with exciting new coastal trail hiking opportunities. California residents and visitors alike will benefit from completion of this new CCT segment.

The Conservancy invested \$3,000,000 towards acquisition of the Shady Dell property in 2011 and \$78,750 for "Phase I" Trail Design, Planning, and Permitting in 2012. This "Phase II" grant request for \$350,000 is a natural next step for 2015. The 957-acre Shady Dell property contains a variety of highly valuable riparian and forested habitats, including one mile of coastline. This area is also home to the 7,800-acre Sinkyone Wilderness State Park, the 49,500-acre Redwood Forest Foundation property, the Sinkyone Intertribal Wilderness Council land, the 60,000-acre King Range National Conservation Area as well as lands managed by Soper-Wheeler, a private timber company.

The new trail will travel east and west of the existing County Road (Usal Road), cross Shady Dell Creek, wind through a candelabra tree forest, and connect at its northern end to the existing "Lost Coast" trail. The League is contributing 22% of the project budget (\$100,000) and requests \$350,000 from the Coastal Conservancy. The total project budget is \$460,000, including \$10,000 of in-kind volunteer labor, to be coordinated by the Mendocino Land Trust.

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

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

WESLEY CHESBRO
Assemblyman, 2nd District

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November 14, 2014

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

We are writing to you in support of Save the Redwoods League's Shady Dell/California Coastal Trail (CCT) construction grant application. This project will create 2.2 miles of new CCT, near the southern end of the Lost Coast in Mendocino County. This trail project will enable the League to provide the public with exciting new coastal trail hiking opportunities. California residents and visitors will benefit from this new CCT segment.

The Coastal Conservancy invested \$3,000,000 for acquisition of the Shady Dell property in 2011, and \$78,750 for "Phase I" Trail Design, Planning, and Permitting in 2012. The League's current grant request is for \$350,000 to undertake the project's next steps. The 957-acre Shady Dell property contains a variety of important riparian and forested habitats, as well as one mile of coastline. The League's Shady Dell property is adjacent east of the 7,250-acre Sinkyone Wilderness State Park, to the north of which is situated the BLM 60,000-acre King Range National Conservation Area. Adjacent and northwest of Shady Dell is 4,010 acres owned by the InterTribal Sinkyone Wilderness Council, and to the east is the 49,500-acre Usal Forest, owned by Redwood Forest Foundation.

The new trail will travel east and west of the existing County Road #431 (Usal Road), cross Shady Dell Creek, wind through a unique redwood forest, and connect at its northern end to the existing Lost Coast Trail which traverses the Sinkyone Wilderness State Park, the InterTribal Sinkyone Wilderness, and the King Range National Conservation Area. The League is contributing 22% of the project budget (\$100,000) and is requesting \$350,000 from the Coastal Conservancy. The total project budget is \$460,000, including \$10,000 of in-kind volunteer labor, to be coordinated by Mendocino Land Trust.

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

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Priscilla Hunter,
Chairwoman
InterTribal Sinkyone Wilderness Council



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October 28, 2014

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

The City of Fort Bragg supports the Save the Redwoods League's Shady Dell California Coastal Trail (CCT) construction grant application. This project will complete construction of 2.2 miles of new CCT, at the southern end of the Lost Coast in Mendocino County. California residents and visitors alike will benefit from completion of this new CCT segment. This is an excellent complement to the City's Coastal Trail project.

The Conservancy investment of \$3,000,000 towards acquisition of the Shady Dell property in 2011 and \$78,750 for "Phase I" Trail Design, Planning, and Permitting in 2012 were well done! This "Phase II" grant request for \$350,000 is the next step for 2015. The 957-acre Shady Dell property contains a variety of highly valuable habitats, including one mile of coastline, as well as riparian and forested habitat types. The Save the Redwoods League ownership at Shady Dell is adjacent to the 7,800-acre Sinkyone Wilderness State Park to the north and the 49,500-acre Redwood Forest Foundation property to the east, which is conserved by a working forest easement. Also to the north is the Sinkyone Intertribal Wilderness Council land, which connects to the 60,000-acre King Range National Conservation Area, managed by the Bureau of Land Management.

The new trail constructed using these grant funds will travel east and west of the existing County Road (Usal Road), cross Shady Dell Creek, wind through a candelabra tree forest, and connect at its northern end to the existing "Lost Coast" trail. The League is contributing 22% of the project budget (\$100,000) and requests \$350,000 from the Coastal Conservancy. We support this project and appreciate all of the Conservancy's conservation and trail efforts on the California Coast, particularly in rugged Mendocino County. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Marie Jones
Community Development Director
c/c: Linda Ruffing, City Manager

REDWOOD FOREST FOUNDATION, INC

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October 29, 2014

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

Dear Mr. Bosco:

On behalf of the Redwood Forest Foundation (RFFI) Board of Directors, I am writing in support of Save the Redwoods League's Shady Dell California Coastal Trail (CCT) construction grant application. In 2011, RFFI sold the Shady Dell property to the League, and we have an interest in seeing its public access developed through this new trail.

The goal of this project is to complete construction of 2.2 miles of new CCT at the southern end of the Lost Coast in Mendocino County. This trail will enable the League, in partnership with the Mendocino Land Trust, both RFFI partner organizations, to provide the public with exciting new coastal hiking opportunities. California residents and visitors will benefit from completion of this new CCT segment.

Shady Dell is adjacent to RFFI's own 49,500-acre Usal Forest to the east, which is conserved by a working forest easement, as well as the 7,800-acre Sinkyone Wilderness State Park to the north. Also to the north is the Sinkyone Intertribal Wilderness Council land, which connects to the 60,000-acre King Range National Conservation Area, managed by the Bureau of Land Management. To the south are lands managed by Soper-Wheeler, a private timber company.

To acquire Shady Dell in 2011, the Conservancy invested \$3,000,000. Then, in 2012, the Conservancy provided \$78,750 for "Phase I" Trail Design, Planning, and Permitting in 2012. This "Phase II" grant request for \$350,000 is a logical next step for 2015. The 957-acre Shady Dell property contains a variety of highly valuable habitats, including one mile of coastline, as well as riparian and forested habitat types.

The new trail constructed using these grant funds will travel east and west of the existing County Road (Usal Road), cross Shady Dell Creek, wind through a candelabra tree forest, and connect at its northern end to the existing "Lost Coast" trail. The League is contributing 22% of the project budget (\$100,000) and requests \$350,000 from the Coastal Conservancy. The total project budget is \$460,000, including \$10,000 of in-kind volunteer labor, to be coordinated by the Mendocino Land Trust.

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

Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mark Welther". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid and legible.

Mark Welther
President & CEO
Redwood Forest Foundation, Inc.