

*STATE COASTAL CONSERVANCY  
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES  
April 23, 2026*

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Douglas Bosco (Public Member), Chair  
Marce Gutierrez-Graudins (Public Member), Vice Chair  
Michele Perrault (Department of Finance)  
Bryan Cash (Designated, Department of Natural Resources)  
Amrita Spencer (Coastal Commission)  
Joy Sterling (Public Member)  
Jeremiah Hallisey (Public Member)

**OVERSIGHT MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Kara Woodruff (Representative for Senator Laird, District 17)

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Amy Hutzal, Executive Officer  
Amy Roach, General Counsel

**LOCATION:**

City of Seal Beach City Hall  
211 8<sup>th</sup> Street,  
Seal Beach, CA 90740

**MEETING START TIME: 10:02 AM**

**1. ROLL CALL**

Douglas Bosco (Public Member), Chair  
Marce Gutierrez-Graudins (Public Member), Vice Chair  
Michele Perrault (Department of Finance)  
Bryan Cash (Designated, Department of Natural Resources)

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Amrita Spencer (Coastal Commission)

Joy Sterling (Public Member)

Jeremiah Hallisey (Public Member)

Public Comment Elizabeth Lambe

2. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES** of the Conservancy’s February 19, 2026 public meeting. Moved and seconded.

Voting in favor: Spencer, Cash, Gutiérrez-Graudiņš, Perrault, Hallisey, Sterling, Bosco; Voting against: none; Abstained: none

Minutes were approved.

3. **CONSENT ITEMS**

Following several public comments, Chair Bosco asked the board if any member requested any consent item to be removed. Hearing no such request, the following consent items were moved for approval, seconded, and approved by C Spencer, Cash, Gutiérrez-Graudiņš, Perrault, Hallisey, Sterling, Bosco (none opposed).

Public Comment: Andrew Schiffrin, Seair Lorentz

**A. PEDRO POINT WILDFIRE RESILIENCE PROGRAM – AUGMENTATION**

**Resolution**

The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes disbursement of an amount not to exceed five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) to the San Mateo Resource Conservation District (“the grantee”) to augment the previously authorized Pedro Point Headlands Wildfire Resilience Program to expand: 1) the project scope to include implementation of additional wildfire fuels reduction activities, and 2) the project area to include the adjacent Highway 1 evacuation corridor in Pacifica, San Mateo County for a total authorized amount of four million six hundred fourteen thousand five hundred thirty-two dollars (\$4,614,532). Prior to commencement of the expanded project scope, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) the following:

1. A revised, detailed work program, schedule, and budget.

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2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.
3. A plan for acknowledgment of Conservancy funding.
4. Evidence that all permits and approvals required to implement the project have been obtained.
5. Any other agreements that the Conservancy's Executive Officer determines are necessary for the project.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Conservancy resolution is effective only if an emergency suspension is approved by the California Environmental Protection Agency and California Natural Resources Agency under the Governor's Proclamation of a State of Emergency issued March 1, 2025, exempting the project from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act.

**Findings:**

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 3 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding the Climate Ready Program.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria.

**B. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CONSULTANT CONTRACT PHASE 3**

**Resolution:**

The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes disbursement of four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) to augment the contract previously authorized by the Conservancy on September 22, 2022 and augmented on February 13, 2025, for a total authorized amount of one million eight hundred thousand dollars (\$1,800,000), for environmental documentation, permit applications, and project planning to provide technical support for wildfire resilience project development across the Conservancy's jurisdiction, subject to the conditions of the September 22, 2022 and February 13, 2025 authorizations.

**Findings:**

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 3 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding the Climate Ready Program.

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2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria.

**C. HUNTINGTON HARBOR PORTOFINO COVE MANAGEMENT**

**Resolution:**

The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes a grant of an amount not to exceed twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to Orange County Coastkeeper (the “grantee”) to manage the Conservancy’s public access easement at Portofino Cove in Huntington Harbor in the City of Huntington Beach, Orange County (the “project”). Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.
3. A plan for acknowledgement of Conservancy funding.

**Findings:**

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 3 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding the Climate Ready Program.
2. The proposed authorization is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria.
3. The Orange County Coastkeeper is a nonprofit organization organized under section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code..

**D. SHARK FIN COVE COASTAL ACCESS PLANNING PROJECT**

**Resolution:**

The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes a grant of an amount not to exceed three hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000) to the County of Santa Cruz (the “grantee”) to undertake the Shark Fin Cove Coastal Access Planning Project, consisting of technical studies, preliminary design, and environmental review for a paved coastal access parking lot with accessible pedestrian pathways at Shark Fin Cove in Santa Cruz County. Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.

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In addition, to the extent appropriate, the grantee shall incorporate the guidelines of the Conservancy's 'Coastal Access Project Standards'.

**Findings:**

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 9 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding a System of Public Accessways.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria.

**E. HEALDSBURG ARUNDO REMOVAL PROJECT: AUGMENT**

**Resolution:**

The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes the disbursement of up to four hundred sixty nine thousand five hundred dollars (\$469,500) to Russian Riverkeeper (the "grantee") to augment the Conservancy grant authorized on June 1, 2023 to implement the Healdsburg Arundo Removal Project, which consists of removing invasive Arundo donax along 5 miles of the Russian River to reduce fire risk to Fitch Mountain and Healdsburg in Sonoma County, subject to the same conditions as set forth in the June 1, 2023 authorization..

**Findings:**

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 3 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding the Climate Ready Program.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria.
3. The Russian Riverkeeper is a nonprofit organization organized under section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code. e

**F. SAN DIEGO MARITIME MUSEUM ENTRANCE BUILDING DESIGN AND PERMITTING AUGMENTATION**

**Resolution:**

The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes a grant of an amount not to exceed one million five hundred forty three thousand dollars (\$1,543,000) to the Maritime Museum Association of San Diego to augment an existing Conservancy grant to prepare design and engineering, environmental compliance documents, and permit applications

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for the Maritime Museum of San Diego entry building in San Diego County, subject to the same conditions as the Conservancy's September 5, 2024 authorization..

**Findings:**

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 7 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding Urban Waterfront Restoration.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria.
3. The San Diego Maritime Museum is a nonprofit organization organized under section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.

**G. THE TIJUANA ESTUARY TIDAL RESTORATION PROGRAM II**

**Resolution:**

~~The Consideration and authorization to disburse up to \$3,767,913 from a grant awarded to the Conservancy as part of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's FY24 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law National Estuarine Research Reserve System Habitat Protection and Restoration Competition to the Tijuana Estuary Foundation to augment a previously authorized Conservancy grant of \$30,000,000 and to reduce the project size of Phase I of the Tijuana Estuary Tidal Restoration Program II, from restoration of 85 acres to restoration of 35 acres of wetlands and associated habitats, and enhancing public access, at the Tijuana River estuary in San Diego County. [POSTPONED].~~

**H. TUNITAS CREEK BEACH PUBLIC ACCESS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT – AUGMENTATION**

**Resolution:**

The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes a grant of an amount not to exceed one million two hundred thousand dollars (\$1,200,000) to the Bay Area Ridge Trail Council ("the grantee") to conduct planning necessary to facilitate opening 30 miles of Bay Area Ridge Trail throughout the nine county San Francisco Bay Area region, including preparing studies, designs and environmental review documents; and to conduct public engagement with underrepresented communities. Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.

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In addition, to the extent appropriate, the grantee shall incorporate the guidelines of the Conservancy's 'Coastal Access Project Standards'.

**Findings:**

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 4.5 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding San Francisco Bay Area Program.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria.
3. The Bay Area Ridge Trail Council is a nonprofit organization organized under section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.

**I. PETALUMA RIVER PARK ADVANCED PLANNING**

**Resolution:**

The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes a grant of an amount not to exceed two million dollars (\$2,000,000) to the Petaluma River Park Foundation (the "grantee") to augment Conservancy grants totaling \$3,050,200 to expand the scope of the Petaluma River Park Advanced Planning Project (formerly the Petaluma River Park Planning Project), consisting of community engagement, park plan development, specific project designs, research and design of interpretive materials under the Coastal Stories Grant Program, environmental review and permitting, and completion of final designs and construction drawings associated with development of Petaluma River Park in Petaluma, Sonoma County, subject to the conditions of the December 1, 2022, November 21, 2024, and February 19, 2026, authorizations.

**Findings:**

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 4.5 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding the San Francisco Bay Area Program.
2. The proposed project remains consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria.
3. The Petaluma River Park Foundation is a nonprofit organization organized under section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.

**J. ADOPTION OF 2026 RULEMAKING CALENDAR FOR PEDRO POINT HEADLANDS**

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**Resolution and Findings:**

The State Coastal Conservancy (the “Conservancy”) hereby adopts the 2026 Rulemaking Calendar for Pedro Point Headlands in San Mateo County: (1) publish notice of proposed action: April 2026; (2) projected public hearing: none, unless timely requested and, if requested, June 2026; (3) projected adoption by the Conservancy: June 2026; and projected submission to the Office of Administrative Law: June 2026. The Conservancy does not propose adoption of other regulations in 2026.

**K. WEST COYOTE HILLS ACQUISITION**

**Resolution:**

The The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes a grant of an amount not to exceed one million six hundred thousand dollars (\$1,600,000) to the Watershed Conservation Authority for the West Coyote Hills Acquisition, which consists of acquiring approximately 483 acres of West Coyote Hills for protection, restoration, and enhancement of natural and cultural resources and public access compatible with those purposes in Orange County, and to conduct tribal outreach regarding the acquisition, subject to the following conditions:

1. Prior to the disbursement of funds for the acquisition, the grantee shall submit for the review and approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer):
  - a) All relevant acquisition documents for the acquisition including, without limitation, the appraisal, purchase and sale agreement, deed, escrow instructions, environmental or hazardous materials assessment, title report, and performance obligation to complete remediation;
  - b) A baseline conditions report;
  - c) Evidence that sufficient funds are available to complete the acquisition; and
  - d) Evidence that a Remedial Action Plan has been approved.
2. The grantee shall pay no more than fair market value for the property, as established in an appraisal approved by the Executive Officer.
3. The property acquired under this authorization shall be managed and operated for protection, restoration, and enhancement of natural and cultural resources and public access compatible with those purposes (collectively, the “acquisition purposes). The property shall be permanently dedicated to those purposes by an appropriate instrument approved by the Executive Officer
4. Conservancy funding shall be acknowledged by erecting and maintaining a sign on the property or in a nearby publicly viewable area, the design and location of which are to be approved by the Executive Officer.

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5. Before commencement of tribal outreach, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) a detailed work program, schedule, and budget for the tribal outreach..

**Findings:**

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 5.5 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding integrated coastal and marine resources protection.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria.

**4. EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT**

**A. COASTAL STORIES: Public Arts Honors Trues Origins of Surf Culture**

**SOUTH COAST**

**5. GREATER BAHIA WETLANDS ACQUISITION**

**Resolution:**

The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes a grant of an amount not to exceed two million nine hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$2,925,000) to the City of Santa Ana (“the grantee”) to implement the Santiago Park Trail and Habitat Improvements Project. This project will consist of constructing site improvements in a 5-acre area on the eastern end of Santiago Park, including an accessible pedestrian walkway, native landscaping, lighting, and a pedestrian bridge across Santiago Creek in Orange County. Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.
3. A plan for acknowledgement of Conservancy funding.
4. Evidence that all permits and approvals required to implement the project have been obtained.

Moved and seconded.

Voting in favor: Spencer, Cash, Gutiérrez-Graudiņš, Perrault, Hallisey, Sterling, Bosco; Voting against: none

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Public Comment: Pamela Galera

**6. SAN CLEMENTE NORTH BEACH SAND RETENTION PLANNING PROJECT**

**Resolution:**

The The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes a grant of an amount not to exceed two million dollars (\$2,000,000) to the City of San Clemente (“the grantee”) for the San Clemente North Beach Sand Retention Planning Project, consisting of preparing technical studies, an alternatives analysis, and preliminary designs, and conducting community engagement for a sand retention project to address coastal erosion along the San Clemente shoreline, in Orange County (the “project”). Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.

**Findings:**

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 3 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding the Climate Ready Program.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria.

Moved and seconded.

Voting in favor: Spencer, Cash, Gutiérrez-Graudiņš, Perrault, Hallisey, Sterling, Bosco; Voting against: none

Public Comments: Leslaea Meyerhoff

**7. SANTA ANA RIVER MARHTA MCLEAN ANZA NARROWS PARK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

**Resolution:**

The The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes a grant of an amount not to exceed six million dollars (\$6,000,000) to the City of Riverside (“the grantee”) to implement improvements at Martha McLean Anza Narrows Park in Riverside County and adoption of findings under the California Environmental Quality Act. Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.

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3. A plan for acknowledgement of Conservancy funding.
4. Evidence that all permits and approvals required to implement the project have been obtained.

**Findings:**

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 4.6 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding the Santa Ana River Conservancy Program.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria.
3. The Conservancy has independently reviewed and considered the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration adopted by the City of Riverside on April 21, 2026 pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) and attached to the accompanying staff recommendation as Exhibit 4. The Conservancy finds that the proposed project as designed and mitigated avoids, reduces, or mitigates the potentially significant environmental effects to a less-than-significant level, and that there is no substantial evidence based on the record as a whole that the project will have a significant effect on the environment..

Moved and seconded.

Voting in favor: Spencer, Cash, Gutiérrez-Graudiņš, Perrault, Hallisey, Sterling, Bosco; Voting against: none

Public Comment: Pamela Galera

**8. SANTA ANA RIVER OC RIVER WALK – UPLAND HABITAT RESTORATION DESIGN PROJECT**

**Resolution:**

The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes a grant of an amount not to exceed one million four hundred seventy-two thousand dollars (\$1,472,000) to the City of Orange (“the grantee”) to undertake the OC River Walk – Upland Habitat Restoration Project, consisting of preparing design documents for a 7.3-acre habitat restoration and riverbank improvements project on the eastern bank of the Santa Ana River in Orange County. Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.

**Findings:**

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Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 4.6 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding the Santa Ana River Conservancy Program.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria..

Moved and seconded.

Voting in favor: Spencer, Cash, Gutiérrez-Graudiņš, Perrault, Hallisey, Sterling, Bosco; Voting against: none

Public Comments: Pamela Galera, Christopher Cash

**9. COASTAL RESILIENCE SOLUTION FOR SAN DIEGO STATE PARKS**

**Resolution:**

The The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes a grant of an amount not to exceed five million dollars (\$5,000,000) to Coastal Quest (“the grantee”) to undertake the Coastal Resilience Solutions for San Diego State Parks project, consisting of conducting public engagement, preparing feasibility studies, engineering, design documents, and obtaining permits for protecting and increasing resilience of public access improvements at San Elijo State Beach and Cardiff State Beach in San Diego County. Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.

In addition, to the extent appropriate, Coastal Quest shall incorporate the guidelines of the Conservancy’s ‘Coastal Access Project Standards’.

**Findings:**

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The . The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 9 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding a System of Public Accessways.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria.
3. Coastal Quest is a nonprofit organization organized under section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.

Moved and seconded.

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Voting in favor: Spencer, Cash, Gutiérrez-Graudiņš, Perrault, Hallisey, Sterling, Bosco; Voting against: none

Public Comments: Tegan Hoffmann, Carrie Benner

**NORTH COAST**

**10. GREAT REDWOOD TRAIL AGENCY OPERATIONS, TRAIL DEVELOPMENT, AND RESTORATION**

**Resolution:**

The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes a grant of an amount not to exceed six million dollars (\$6,000,000) to the Great Redwood Trail Agency (“the grantee”) for: (1) Great Redwood Trail Agency operations; and (2) trail and restoration planning, design, construction, and implementation in the counties of Mendocino, Trinity, and Humboldt (collectively, the “project”). Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.
3. A plan for acknowledgement of Conservancy funding.
4. In addition, to the extent appropriate, the grantee shall incorporate the guidelines of the Conservancy’s ‘Coastal Access Project Standards’ and the ‘Great Redwood Trail Master Plan’.

Prior to commencement of construction and implementation projects, the grantee shall submit for review and approval evidence that all permits and approvals required to implement these projects have been obtained. Grantee shall not commence any construction or implementation project unless grantee has obtained the Executive Officer’s written confirmation that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. Any proposed implementation or construction project funded under this grant that is not exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act must first be approved by the Conservancy prior to any implementation or construction. Any proposed construction or implementation project must be included in grantee’s annual work program, which must be approved by the Executive Officer’s written confirmation

**Findings:**

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 9 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding public access.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria.

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Moved and seconded.

Voting in favor: Spencer, Cash, Gutiérrez-Graudiņš, Perrault, Sterling, Bosco; Voting against: none

**11. REDWOOD RISING PROJECT, PHASE III**

**Resolution:**

The The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes a grant of an amount not to exceed one million dollars (\$1,000,000) to Save the Redwoods League (“the grantee”) to undertake a portion of the third phase of the Redwoods Rising Project, consisting of thinning 100-150 acres of forest to improve forest health and fish and wildlife habitat in Del Norte County.

Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.
3. A plan for acknowledgement of Conservancy funding and Proposition 68 as the source of that funding.
4. Evidence that all permits and approvals required to implement the project have been obtained.
5. Evidence that the grantee has entered into agreements sufficient to enable the grantee to implement, operate, and maintain the project.

**Findings:**

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 6 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding the enhancement of regionally important salmonid habitat.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria.
3. The Save the Redwoods League is a nonprofit organization organized under section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code..

Moved and seconded.

Voting in favor: Spencer, Cash, Gutiérrez-Graudiņš, Perrault, , Bosco; Voting against: none; Absent: Sterling

**12. PIERPONT BEACH MANAGEMENT PLAN**

**Resolution:**

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The The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes a grant of up to nine hundred ninety seven thousand nine hundred dollars (\$997,900) to the Mid Klamath Watershed Council (“the grantee”) to undertake the Red Cap Creek Floodplain Restoration Project, consisting of construction of off-channel ponds, reconnection of historic floodplain channels, addition of large wood structures, and restoration of riparian floodplain forest to a 1.5 mile segment of Red Cap Creek, in Humboldt County. Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.
3. A plan for the acknowledgement of Conservancy funding.
4. Evidence that all permits and approvals required to implement the project have been obtained.
5. Evidence that the grantee has entered into agreements sufficient to enable the grantee to implement, operate, and maintain the project.
6. Prior to commencing the project, the grantee shall enter into and record an agreement pursuant to Public Resources Code 31116(d) sufficient to protect the public interest in the improvements..

**Findings:**

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 6 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding the restoration of fish and wildlife habitat within coastal watersheds.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria.
3. The Mid Klamath Watershed Council is a nonprofit organization organized under section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code and has purposes consistent with Division 21 of the Public Resources Code..

Moved and seconded.

Voting in favor: Spencer, Cash, Gutiérrez-Graudiņš, Perrault, Bosco; Voting against: none;  
Absent: Sterling, Hallisey

**13. WOOD CREEK RESTORATION PHASE III: FELT RANCH HABITAT RESTORATION IMPLEMENTATION**

**Resolution:**

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The The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes the disbursement of up to two million four hundred fifty-seven thousand four hundred twenty-seven dollars (\$2,457,427) of funds from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation to Northcoast Regional Land Trust to undertake the Wood Creek Restoration Phase III: Felt Ranch Habitat Restoration Implementation project, consisting of restoring tidal and habitat connectivity by realigning Wood Creek into a new channel network, expanding and deepening existing channels, replacing an undersized culvert, creating anadromous salmonid habitat, restoring Sitka-Spruce forested wetlands, and conducting pre-and post-construction monitoring on Felt Ranch and the Freshwater Farms Preserve in Humboldt County (the “project”).

Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.
3. A plan for acknowledgement of Conservancy funding and the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) as the source of that funding along with NFWF’s disclaimer for publication and press releases.
4. Evidence that all permits and approvals required to implement the project have been obtained.
5. Evidence that the grantee has entered into agreements sufficient to enable the grantee to implement, operate, and maintain the project.
6. Recorded agreements pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 31116(d) sufficient to protect the public interest in the improvements and developments.

**Findings:**

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 6 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding Coastal Resource Enhancement Projects.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria.
3. Northcoast Regional Land Trust is a nonprofit organization organized under Section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code..

Moved and seconded.

Voting in favor: Spencer, Cash, Gutiérrez-Graudiņš, Perrault, Bosco; Voting against: none;  
Absent: Sterling

Public Comment: Dan Ehresman

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**14. SHAAHNAA' LHOOK' ACQUISITION**

**Resolution:**

The The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes a grant of an amount not to exceed one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) to Trust for Public Land (the “grantee”) to undertake the Shaahnaa' Lhook' Acquisition, consisting of conducting pre-acquisition activities, and acquiring the 672-acre Shaahnaa' Lhook' property (Mendocino County Assessor Parcel Numbers 013-660-73, 013-660-67, 013-660-65, and 013-660-58) for the preservation of open space; protection, restoration, and enhancement of natural resources and habitat for fish and wildlife; protection of cultural resources; and California Native American tribal access consistent with such purposes; and to develop a management plan for the property in Branscomb, Mendocino County (the “project”).

This authorization is subject to the following conditions:

1. Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer):
  - a. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
  - b. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.
  - c. A plan for acknowledgement of Conservancy funding and the Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean Air Bond Act of 2024 as the source of that funding, including by erecting and maintaining a sign on the property or in a nearby publicly-viewable area, the design and location of which are to be approved by the Executive Officer.
2. Prior to the disbursement of funds for the acquisition, the grantee shall submit for the review and approval of the Executive Officer:
  - a. All relevant acquisition documents for the acquisition including, without limitation, the appraisal, purchase and sale agreement, deed, escrow instructions, environmental or hazardous materials assessment, and title report;
  - b. A baseline conditions report; and
  - c. Evidence that sufficient funds are available to complete the acquisition.
3. The grantee shall pay no more than fair market value for the property, as established in an appraisal approved by the Executive Officer.
4. The property acquired under this authorization shall be managed and operated for the preservation of open space; protection, restoration, and enhancement of natural resources and habitat for fish and wildlife; protection of cultural resources; and California Native American tribal access for cultural use consistent with such purposes.

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The property shall be permanently dedicated to those purposes by an appropriate instrument approved by the Executive Officer.

5. Prior to commencement of the management planning tasks, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer the following:
  - a. Evidence that the acquisition is complete.

**Findings:**

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 5.5 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding integrated coastal and marine resources projects.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria.
3. Trust for Public Land is a nonprofit organization organized under section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code..

Moved and seconded.

Voting in favor: Spencer, Cash, Gutiérrez-Graudiņš, Perrault, Hallisey, Bosco; Voting against: none; Absent: Sterling

Public Comment: Misty Davidson

**15. NAVARRO RIVER-FLUME GULCH CONFLUENCE RESTORATION PROJECT**

**Resolution:**

The The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes a grant of up to two million two hundred forty-seven thousand one hundred dollars (\$2,247,100) to The Nature Conservancy (the “grantee”) to undertake the Navarro River-Flume Gulch Confluence Restoration Project, consisting of enhancements to restore overwintering and spring out-migration habitat for juvenile coho salmon within both the mainstem Navarro River and Flume Gulch, including installation of five engineered log structures and floodplain alcoves within the mainstem Navarro River; excavation of floodplain alcoves and placement of large wood in Flume Gulch near its confluence with the Navarro River; and excavation of banks at key locations to promote channel widening and floodplain processes, including inset floodplains, in the Navarro River watershed in Mendocino County (the “project”).

Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.

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3. A plan for the acknowledgement of Conservancy funding and, if applicable, California Department of Parks and Recreation funding.
4. Evidence that all permits and approvals required to implement the project have been obtained.
5. Evidence that the grantee has entered into agreements sufficient to enable the grantee to implement, operate, and maintain the project.
6. Prior to commencing the project, the grantee shall enter into and record an agreement or agreements pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 31116(d) sufficient to protect the public interest in the improvements and developments.

**Findings:**

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 6 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding the restoration of fish and wildlife habitat within coastal watersheds.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria.
3. The Nature Conservancy is a nonprofit organization organized under section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code and has purposes consistent with Division 21 of the Public Resources Code..

Moved and seconded.

Voting in favor: Spencer, Cash, Gutiérrez-Graudiņš, Perrault, Hallisey, Bosco; Voting against: none; Absent: Sterling

**16. NATURAL BRIDGES FARM ACQUISITION**

**Resolution:**

The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes a grant of an amount not to exceed one million dollars (\$1,000,000) to the Homeless Garden Project (the “grantee”) to undertake the Natural Bridges Farm Acquisition, consisting of the acquisition of approximately 4 acres of working agricultural land in Santa Cruz County (Assessor’s Parcel Number 003-061-09) to be permanently dedicated for protection and preservation of sustainable agriculture use and open space, subject to the following conditions:

1. Prior to the disbursement of funds for the acquisition, the grantee shall submit for the review and approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer):

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- a. All relevant acquisition documents for the acquisition including, without limitation, the appraisal, purchase and sale agreement, deed, escrow instructions, environmental or hazardous materials assessment, and title report;
  - b. A baseline conditions report; and
  - c. Evidence that sufficient funds are available to complete the acquisition.
2. The grantee shall pay no more than fair market value for the property, as established in an appraisal approved by the Executive Officer.
  3. The property acquired under this authorization shall be managed and operated for protection and preservation of sustainable agricultural use and open space. The property shall be permanently dedicated to those purposes by an appropriate instrument approved by the Executive Officer.
  4. Conservancy funding shall be acknowledged by erecting and maintaining a sign on the property or in a nearby publicly-viewable area, the design and location of which must be approved by the Executive Officer.

**Findings:**

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 4 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding preservation of agricultural land.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria.
3. The Homeless Garden Project is a nonprofit organization organized under section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.

Moved and seconded.

Voting in favor: Spencer, Cash, Gutiérrez-Graudiņš, Perrault, Hallisey, Bosco; Voting against: none; Absent: Sterling

**17. COMMUNITY HARVEST AT WATSONVILLE SLOUGH FARM**

**Resolution:**

The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes a grant of an amount not to exceed four million dollars (\$4,000,000) to the Land Trust of Santa Cruz County (“the grantee”) to construct the Community Harvest at Watsonville Slough Farm Project Phase 1, which will establish a trailhead, approximately 5 miles of trails, U-pick gardens, and a variety of public access amenities at Watsonville Slough Farm in Watsonville, Santa Cruz County. Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) the following:

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1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.
3. A plan for acknowledgement of Conservancy funding and Proposition 4 as the source of that funding.
4. Evidence that all permits and approvals required to implement the project have been obtained.
5. A recorded agreement pursuant to Public Resources Code 31116(d) sufficient to protect the public interest in the project.

**Findings:**

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 9 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding a system of public accessways.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria.
3. The Land Trust of Santa Cruz County is a nonprofit organization organized under section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code..

Moved and seconded.

Voting in favor: Spencer, Cash, Gutiérrez-Graudiņš, Perrault, Hallisey, Sterling, Bosco; Voting against: none

Public Comment: Eric Lombardo

**18. RESTORING THE SHORELINE FOR PEOPLE AND WILDLIFE**

**Resolution:**

The The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes a grant of an amount not to exceed three hundred twelve thousand two hundred dollars (\$312,200) to Grassroots Ecology (the “grantee”) to undertake the Restoring the Shoreline for People and Wildlife Project, consisting of community engagement, workforce development training, a vegetation survey and ecological report, and restoration and maintenance of 2 acres of upland transition zone habitat and 5.3 acres of grassland habitat at Shoreline Regional Park in Santa Clara County (the “project”).

Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) the following:

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1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.
3. A plan for acknowledgement of Conservancy funding, including a plan for signage, to the extent practicable, informing the public that the project received funding from the Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean Air Bond Act of 2024.
4. Evidence that all permits and approvals required to implement the project have been obtained.
5. Evidence that the grantee has entered into agreements sufficient to enable the grantee to implement, operate, and maintain the project.
6. Prior to commencing the project, the grantee shall enter into and record an agreement pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 31116(d) sufficient to protect the public interest in the improvements or developments.

**Findings:**

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 4.5 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding the San Francisco Bay Area Conservancy Program. 2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria. 3. Grassroots Ecology is a nonprofit organization organized under section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.

Moved and seconded.

Voting in favor: Spencer, Cash, Gutiérrez-Graudiņš, Perrault, Hallisey, Sterling, Bosco; Voting against: none

**19. CONSERVANCY MEMBER COMMENTS**

No Board member comments.

**20. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

No Public comments.

**21. CLOSED SESSION**

No closed session.

**22. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 1:35 P.M.