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State Coastal Conservancy Meeting Report

October 3, 2013

The Coastal Conservancy approved the following:

South Coast

1. a grant of \$750,000 to the Ocean Discovery Institute for costs related to completion of final design and construction of the Living Lab environmental education center in the City of San Diego.
2. a grant of \$40,000 to Ecotrust to prepare community fisheries revitalization plans for ports and waterfront areas in Ventura and Los Angeles Counties.

Central Coast

3. grants of 1) \$1,900,000 to the Save the Redwoods League to acquire a conservation and public access easement over the 8,532-acre Cemex Redwoods property near the town of Davenport, and 2) \$100,000 to the Land Trust of Santa Cruz County to develop a public access plan for the property.
4. a grant of \$350,000 to the County of San Luis Obispo to construct a new segment of the California Coastal Trail and improve parking and beach access at Pirates Cove.
5. a grant of \$150,000 to the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea to construct a barrier-free restroom at Carmel Beach, Monterey County.
6. augmentation of the Conservancy's May 19, 2011, authorization with an additional \$775,000 awarded to the Resource Conservation District of Santa Cruz County for the Integrated Watershed Restoration Program in San Mateo, Santa Cruz, and Monterey Counties.

San Francisco Bay Area

7. acceptance of \$2,000,000 from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and use of \$400,000 of those funds for initial planning, design, permit applications, and environmental compliance documents for the San Francisco Bay Creosote Piling Removal and Pacific Herring Restoration Project.

8. a grant of \$750,000 to the Association of Bay Area Governments to augment an existing grant to develop and implement various projects for the San Francisco Bay Area Water Trail in the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area.
9. a grant of \$353,711 to the Sonoma Land Trust for the acquisition of the Haire Ranch, a 1,091-acre hay farm located on Skaggs Island within the Napa-Sonoma Marsh Complex, Sonoma County.
10. a grant of \$200,000 to the City of San José for construction of a segment of the San Francisco Bay Area Ridge Trail along Penitencia Creek in the City of San José, Santa Clara County.
11. a grant of \$200,000 to the East Bay Regional Park District to construct a staging area for the Vargas Plateau section of the Bay Area Ridge Trail in the City of Fremont, Alameda County

North Coast

12. acceptance of \$1,000,000 in grant funds from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and a grant of \$950,000 of those funds to Humboldt County to acquire 1,005 acres in the Ryan Creek watershed, tributary to Humboldt Bay, Humboldt County, for public access, habitat protection, and sustainable timber production.
13. a grant of \$230,000 to California Trout, Inc. to design one and construct three fish passage and habitat quality improvement projects in Humboldt and Mendocino Counties.
14. a grant of \$72,000 to the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy to plan and design the first segment of the multi-use Dias Ridge Connector Trail, completing a key connecting segment of the Bay Area Ridge Trail and California Coastal Trail at Muir Beach in Marin County.

Statewide and General

15. grants totaling \$1,325,414 to 52 nonprofit organizations and public agencies for projects that facilitate and enhance the public's opportunities to explore the coast of California and the San Francisco Bay shoreline.

The next Conservancy meeting is scheduled for December 5, 2013, in Riverside County.