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TO: Coastal Commissioners

FROM: James W. Burns, Chief Deputy Director

SUBJECT: Coastal Conservancy July 24, 1997 Meeting Report

### The Conservancy Board:

- 1) Approved the Habitat Conservation Fund Priorities Update for FYs 1997/98 and 1998/99.
- 2) Authorized the acceptance of \$55,000 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the disbursement of those funds to the Southwest Wetlands Interpretive Association to develop an enhancement plan for the Goat Canyon/Canyon de los Laureles watershed, within the Tijuana River Estuary's watershed in California and Mexico.
- 3) Authorized the disbursement of \$25,000 to the Pacifica Land Trust to implement Phase I emergency erosion control measures as recommended in the San Pedro Point Restoration Plan.
- 4) Authorized the disbursement of \$9,000 to the County of San Mateo for installation of a pedestrian bridge over Martini Creek.
- 5) Authorized the disbursement of \$50,000 to The Nature Conservancy to update the Nipomo Dunes Management Plan.
- 6) Authorized: (1) the acceptance of \$38,000 from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; (2) disbursement of those funds to the Regents of the University of California for a series of targeted studies and analysis of the key elements of the hydrodynamics and sediment transport in the Napa-Sonoma Marsh complex; (3) the Executive Officer to enter into a cost-share agreement with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) for a two-phased Napa River Salt Marsh Restoration Feasibility Study; (4) the disbursement of \$160,000 to the Corps for Phase I of the Feasibility Study; and (5) the disbursement of \$45,000 to the U.S. Geological Survey to conduct measurements required for the study.

- 7) Approved the transfer of approximately 383 acres of land held within the Tijuana River National Estuarine Research Reserve (TRNERR) by the City of San Diego to the California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), Border Field State Park unit to meet the long-term management requirements of the TRNERR, subject to the condition that prior to conveyance by the City to DPR, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration shall provide written approval of this transfer.
- 8) Authorized the acceptance and disbursement of \$10,204 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to expand an area that is the subject of wetland enhancement planning on the Petaluma River in the vicinity of Gness Field in Marin County.
- 9) Reauthorized the disbursement of \$170,937 in federal funds under the previous authorization of January 1996, to disburse funds received from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to the Mission Resource Conservation District (Mission RCD) rather than to the County of San Diego, for preparation of a comprehensive river corridor management plan for the San Luis Rey River.
- 10) Appointed Deputy Executive Officer, Steve Horn, to interim Executive Officer while the Board searches for a permanent Executive Officer to replace Michael Fischer who retired from the State on July 25, 1997.

The Conservancy's next meeting will be on September 18, 1997; however, the Executive Officer Search Committee will meet on August 1 to discuss search strategy and selection criteria.