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To: Coastal Commissioners

From: Sara Wan, Chair, California Coastal Commission  
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Subject: Summary of Coastal Conservancy Actions, February 2001 Meeting

**Significant Events at the February 22 Meeting of the Coastal Conservancy**

1. The Conservancy authorized the following grants for coastal projects:
  - a. \$5,000,000 to the Trust for Public Land for the first of two phased acquisitions of the Bixby Ocean Ranch in northern Big Sur, Monterey County.
  - b. \$665,000 to the Land Conservancy of San Luis Obispo County for the acquisition, management, restoration, and disposition of real property pursuant to the Black Lake Canyon Enhancement Plan.
  - c. \$200,000 to the Cambria Community Services District for the preparation of a Public Access Management Plan for the East West Ranch property located in the community of Cambria, San Luis Obispo County.
  - d. \$657,500 to the McKinleyville Land Trust for acquisition and initial management of approximately 74 acres known as the Hiller West Property on the North Spit in Humboldt County.
  - e. \$1,750,000 to the Casitas Water District to construct a fish ladder and other fish passage facilities at the Robles Diversion on the Ventura River.
  - f. \$100,000 to the Coastal Watershed Council for the preparation of a comprehensive watershed enhancement plan for Antos Creek to identify salmonid restoration projects.
  - g. \$433,000 to the Buena Vista Lagoon Foundation to assess the feasibility of options for managing the Buena Vista Lagoon for improved water quality and habitat values.
  - h. \$350,000 to Marin County to identify sources of sewage effluent from on-site septic systems and develop plans to address contamination to coastal waters in West Marin, Tomales Bay.
  - i. \$150,000 to the City of Seal Beach in Orange County to develop an Ocean Water Quality Management Plan.

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- j. \$40,000 to the Land Trust of Santa Cruz County to undertake a feasibility study to evaluate opportunities for protecting coastal resource lands, providing new public coastal access, and preserving coastal agriculture in northern Santa Cruz County.
2. Staff reported to the Conservancy on (1) the Southern California Wetlands Recovery Project, (2) the Five-Year Infrastructure Plan and Proposition 12, and (3) updates on the Ormond Beach and Mandalay Edison properties and Point Cabrillo project.
3. The Conservancy authorized the following grants for San Francisco Bay projects:
  - a. \$2,000,000 to The Nature Conservancy for the acquisition of a conservation easement over Isabel Valley Ranch in Santa Clara County.
  - b. \$150,000 to the California Sportfishing Protection Alliance to prepare a watershed plan for the Suisun Creek Watershed.
  - c. \$144,170 as follows: (1) \$45,500 to the San Bruno Mountain Watch to remove non-native plant species from the endangered butterfly habitat on 143 acres on San Bruno Mountain in San Mateo County; (2) \$81,670 to the San Mateo County Parks and Recreation Division to remove non-native plant species from endangered butterfly habitat on another 175 acres on San Bruno Mountain, implement a public outreach program, and construct an on-site nursery for the propagation of unique plants native to San Bruno Mountain; and (3) \$17,000 to the San Mateo County Parks and Recreation Division to implement an educational program to enhance habitat restoration efforts at Edgewood County Park and Natural Preserve in San Mateo County.
  - d. \$100,000 to the San Mateo County Recreation and Parks Department, for a preliminary restoration feasibility study for the Werder Fishing Pier and a conceptual design for a bay habitat interpretive educational program for the San Mateo County Bay Trail.
4. The Conservancy authorized (1) redirection of \$215,500 in funds previously authorized for Quail Ridge Reserve Phase I, and disbursement of an additional \$52,892 to the Land Trust of Napa County for acquisition of five sites totaling 339 acres on the Quail Ridge peninsula of Napa County; and (2) disbursement of \$22,500 to the University of California Natural Reserve System for a public environmental education program.

The next Conservancy meeting will be held on March 22, 2001.