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To:

Coastal Commissioners

From:

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Significant Events at the April 25 Meeting of the Coastal Conservancy

- The Conservancy authorized acceptance of \$399,000 from the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
 and disbursement of \$841,000 to the Center for Natural Lands Management for acquisition of
 the 206-acre <u>Buggy Club Properties</u> on Humboldt Bay's North Spit, for the purposes of
 restoration and public access.
- 2. The Conservancy authorized the following grants for coastal projects:
 - a. \$1,500,000 to Del Norte County to help acquire the 339-acre <u>Point St. George</u> property and to prepare a property management plan.
 - b. \$1,231,250 to the Northcoast Regional Land Trust to acquire 319 acres of forested land along Baker Creek in the Mattole River watershed on the Humboldt/Mendocino county border.
 - c. \$360,000 to Save-the-Redwoods League for the acquisition of 80 acres owned by the University of California in the Butano Creek watershed in San Mateo County.
 - d. \$3,050,000 to California State Parks, including redirection of a \$1,600,000 grant to The Trust for Public Land authorized in June 2001, to acquire a 2,500-acre portion of the El Capitan Ranch property on Santa Barbara County's Gaviota Coast, for the purposes of providing public access and preserving coastal wildlife habitat.
 - e. \$200,000 to the Land Trust for Santa Barbara County to acquire conservation easements over two properties owned by the Hvölboll family, including the 745-acre <u>La Paloma Ranch</u> and an additional 5.6-acre property, on the Gaviota Coast.
 - f. \$1,400,000 to the Beach Erosion Authority for Clean Oceans and Nourishment (BEACON), a joint powers agency, to add 250,000 cubic yards of sand, dredged from offshore, to Goleta Beach at Goleta Beach County Park in Santa Barbara County.
 - g. \$780,000 to the City of Torrance to improve water quality and restore and enhance the habitat values of Madrona Marsh, as part of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Plan.
 - h. \$20,000 to the Mountains Restoration Trust to conduct a habitat-management education and training project involving at-risk youth in the 8th through 12th grade levels on Coastal Conservancy-owned lands in the <u>Santa Monica Mountains</u>.

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- 3. The Conservancy authorized the following grants for San Francisco Bay projects:
 - a. \$905,000 to the Marin Agricultural Land Trust to acquire a conservation easement over 1,310 acres that make up the <u>Barboni Ranch</u> in the Hick's Valley, about seven miles from Petaluma and Novato.
 - b. \$250,000 to Sonoma County Regional Parks to extend the regional <u>Joe Rodota/West</u>

 <u>County Regional Trail</u> one mile into downtown Santa Rosa, completing a trail system that
 will run from Forestville to Annadel State Park and connect to the Bay Area Ridge Trail.
 - c. \$19,000 to the Solano Land Trust to conduct pre-project feasibility analysis for open-space land acquisition and marsh restoration projects.
 - d. \$50,000 to Sail San Francisco, a nonprofit organization, toward the costs of an international exposition of tall ships on the San Francisco Waterfront, and a related educational project for approximately 500 children in grades K-12.

The next Conservancy meeting is scheduled for May 23, 2002.