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To: Coastal Commissioners

From: Sara Wan, Chair, California Coastal Commission
Dick Wayman, Communications Director, Coastal Conservancy**Significant Events at the June 27 Meeting of the Coastal Conservancy in Eureka**

1.. The Conservancy authorized the following grants for coastal projects:

North Coast

- a. \$1,500,000 to the City of Eureka to construct a commercial fishing dock, pedestrian accessways, and a public pedestrian plaza at the Eureka waterfront.
- b. \$135,000 to the County of Humboldt to prepare a master management plan for beach access from Clam Beach to Moonstone Beach in Humboldt County.
- c. \$1,151,750 to The Pacific Forest Trust to help acquire a conservation easement on the 3,640-acre Howe Creek Ranch, in the Eel River Watershed, Humboldt County.
- d. \$1,000,000 to the Wildlife Conservation Board to assist with the acquisition of Lake Earl properties in Del Norte County
- e. \$33,500 to the City of Crescent City to undertake a pre-project feasibility analysis for the Harbor Trail segment of the Crescent City Coastal Trail.
- f. \$71,000 to the Redwood Community Action Agency to plan and design a southern extension of the Hammond Coastal Trail south of the Mad River Bridge, Humboldt County, and stabilize approximately 780 linear feet of streambank along portions of the existing and proposed trail corridor.
- g. \$20,000 to the Pacific Forest Trust for an appraisal of a proposed conservation easement on the McMullin Trust property, Mendocino County.
- h. \$95,000 to the Redwood Community Action Agency for the preparation of a comprehensive watershed enhancement plan for three tributary watersheds within the Humboldt Bay region.

Central Coast

- i. \$750,000 to the Land Conservancy of San Luis Obispo County to purchase an 80-acre property and restore steelhead habitat along San Luis Obispo Creek.

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- j. \$67,000 to the City of Santa Cruz to prepare designs and permits for future enhancements along the Lower San Lorenzo River and Lagoon, and to conduct a steelhead and coho salmon lagoon utilization study.
- k. \$100,000 to the City of Santa Barbara to replace the beach access stairway at Shoreline Park.
- l. \$50,000 to the Bay Foundation for improvements to the Morro Bay National Estuary Program Visitor Center.

South Coast

- m. \$50,000 each to the Foundation of Los Angeles Maritime Museum and the Maritime Museum Association of San Diego, toward the costs of international expositions of tall ships on the San Pedro and San Diego waterfronts, and related educational projects for children.
- n. \$50,000 in funds provided under the Conservancy's Interagency Agreement with the Wildlife Conservation Board, and as an amendment of the Conservancy's April 23, 1998 authorization, to the County of San Diego for preparation of management plans for properties acquired in the Conservancy's Tijuana River Valley acquisition program.
- o. \$33,000 to Aquatic Adventures Science Education Foundation, San Diego, to purchase a 15-passenger van to transport students participating in its coastal aquatic science educational programs and to modify the van for wheelchair access.
- p. \$85,000 to Environment Now of Santa Monica, Los Angeles County, to implement a bike ferry demonstration project in Marina Del Rey.
- q. \$10,000 to augment a previous grant to Coastwalk for the Barrier-Free Access Guide for Los Angeles and Orange Counties.

Statewide

- r. \$225,000 of Conservancy funds, in addition to \$510,000 received from the California Resources Agency and the California Department of Fish and Game, to develop an updated Geographic Information Systems (GIS) wetlands inventory to implement the provisions of Assembly Bill 2286 and the California Legacy Project.
2. The Conservancy authorized acquisition by The Nature Conservancy of two additional properties, totaling 120 acres, to implement the Santa Clara River Parkway Conceptual Enhancement Plan pursuant to the Conservancy resolution of June 2001.

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3. The Conservancy authorized the following grants for San Francisco Bay projects:
- a. \$167,000 to The Bay Institute for the production of a tidal wetlands restoration handbook for the San Francisco Bay Area.
 - b. \$438,750 to the East Bay Regional Park District for acquisition of the Mueller property adjacent to Las Trampas Regional Preserve in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties.
 - c. \$50,000 to the Alameda County Resource Conservation District for implementation of a coordinated permitting process for natural resource enhancement projects in the Alameda County watersheds.
 - d. \$43,000 to the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) to prepare, publish, and distribute a revised Wheelchair Rider's Guide: San Francisco Bay and Nearby Shorelines and survey for additional sites.
 - e. \$75,000 toward operating expenses of, and implementation and publication updates by, the San Francisco Bay Joint Venture.
 - f. \$85,000 to GreenInfo Network to assist the Coastal Conservancy in developing GIS data layers and mapping exhibits to assist in project planning and development.

The next Conservancy meeting is scheduled for September 26, 2002.