State Coastal Conservancy Meeting Report

September 8, 2005

The Coastal Conservancy approved the following:

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South Coast

1. A \$100,000 grant to the Catalina Island Conservancy to implement the <u>Catalina Island Habitat Improvement and Restoration Program</u>, whose purpose is to protect the island's habitats from the threat of invasive plants.

Central Coast

- 2. A \$250,000 grant to the City of Pacifica, San Mateo County, for acquisition of a 2.17-acre blufftop property on Esplanade Drive for open space, natural resource protection, and public access.
- 3. A \$150,000 grant to Santa Barbara County to reconstruct three <u>public beach accessways in Isla Vista</u>.
- 4. A \$150,000 grant to San Luis Obispo County for reconstruction of five <u>beach access</u> stairways in the town of Cayucos.
- 5. Amendment of the Conservancy's May 27, 2004, authorization for the Goleta Slough Tidal Restoration Demonstration Project, whose purpose is to examine the potential effects of tidal restoration on the bird air strike hazard at Santa Barbara Municipal Airport. The project will now involve the restoration of a single basin, rather than two.

San Francisco Bay Area

- 6. A \$757,000 grant to the Southern Sonoma County Resource Conservation District to refine hydrologic modeling, analyze sediment transport, prepare environmental and conceptual design documents, and facilitate public participation related to the restoration of lower Sonoma Creek.
- 7. A \$400,000 grant to the East Bay Regional Park District to acquire 106 acres for addition to Pleasanton Ridge Regional Park in Alameda County.
- 8. (1) Use of up to \$3,000,000 of Conservancy funds to undertake work associated with the South San Francisco Bay Salt Pond restoration planning effort, including costs for the South San Francisco Bay Shoreline Study. (2) Redirection of previously authorized funding from the Wildlife Conservation Board for the cost-share agreement to the salt pond restoration project.
- 9. A \$100,000 grant to the KTEH- TV Foundation for production of a <u>television documentary</u> about San Francisco Bay.