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## **State Coastal Conservancy Meeting Report**

April 18, 2013

The Coastal Conservancy approved the following:

### **South Coast**

1. a grant of \$2,202,355 to the San Elijo Lagoon Conservancy for final engineering, construction contract documents, permitting applications, and developing a monitoring program for the San Elijo Lagoon Restoration Project, San Diego County.

### **Central Coast**

2. a grant of \$869,300, including up to \$769,300 in grant funds from the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, to the Regents of the University of California to prepare design, engineering, environmental, and permit application documents and conduct surveys for restoration of upper Devereux Slough, Santa Barbara County.
3. a grant of \$415,000 to the Coastal San Luis Resource Conservation District for the acquisition of a conservation easement in the Arroyo Grande Creek Watershed in southern San Luis Obispo County for the protection and restoration of natural resources and compatible public access.

### **San Francisco Bay Area**

4. modification of the previously-approved \$800,000 grant to Ducks Unlimited for construction of a pedestrian/bicycle bridge linking the San Francisco Bay Trail to Inner Bair Island in order to enable Ducks Unlimited to use up to \$100,000 in bridge construction cost-savings for construction of the other public access improvements on Inner Bair Island including trails, interpretive signs, fencing, and an information kiosk, San Mateo County.

### **North Coast**

5. a grant of \$10,000,000 to The Conservation Fund to acquire the approximately 19,650 acre Preservation Ranch property in northern Sonoma County.
6. certification of the “Final Programmatic Environmental Impact Report for the Humboldt Bay Regional *Spartina* Eradication Plan”; adoption of the Humboldt Bay Regional Invasive *Spartina* Eradication Plan; and a grant of \$500,000 to the Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation

and Conservation District for implementation of Phase II of the Humboldt Bay Regional Invasive *Spartina* Eradication Project, Humboldt County.

7. a grant of \$300,000 to California Trout, Inc. for tidal marsh restoration design and permit application at the Eel River Estuary Preserve, Humboldt County.
8. a grant of \$250,000 to The Wildlands Conservancy to implement public access improvements at the Eel River Estuary Preserve, Humboldt County.
9. a grant of \$100,000 to the Mendocino Land Trust for coastal trail planning and to acquire the approximately 73-acre CIES property south of Point Arena, Mendocino County.
10. a grant of \$100,000 to California Trout Inc. to conduct the Elk River Recovery Assessment to evaluate restoration approaches and develop an implementation framework to support the restoration of the Elk River watershed's natural biological and hydrological functions, Humboldt Bay, Humboldt County.
11. modification and augmentation by \$39,000 of the previously-approved \$262,190 grant to the Sotoyome Resource Conservation District to enable in-stream habitat improvements for migrating and rearing steelhead and Coho salmon in Gilliam Creek and Thompson Creek, two tributaries in the watershed of Austin Creek, a tributary to the Russian River in Southern Sonoma County.

### **Statewide and General**

12. authorization for the Coastal Conservancy to provide legal services to and at the request of the Sierra Nevada Conservancy.

The next Conservancy meeting is scheduled for June 20, 2013, in Sacramento.