

State Coastal Conservancy Meeting Report

December 3, 2015

The Coastal Conservancy approved the following:

South Coast

1. a grant of \$800,000 to the City of San Diego to construct public access improvements and restore habitat on the 50-acre Hillside Park section of Sunset Cliffs Natural Park and adoption of findings under the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. augmentation of the Conservancy's April 18, 2013, authorization to disburse an additional amount of up to \$3,958,146 to the San Elijo Lagoon Conservancy for final engineering, construction contract documents, permit applications, and a monitoring program for the San Elijo Lagoon Restoration Project, San Diego County.

Central Coast

1. a grant of \$1,000,000 of funds received from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to the Elkhorn Slough Foundation for restoration of tidal wetlands and connected uplands in Elkhorn Slough, Monterey County.
2. a grant of \$250,000 to the City of Pacific Grove, Monterey County, to construct improvements to one segment of the California Coastal Trail and to design and obtain permits for improvements along another segment of the trail.
3. grants totaling \$118,000 to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the University of California to implement two separate projects focused on the recovery of the southern sea otter, Santa Barbara through San Mateo Counties.
4. a grant of \$75,000 to the City of Pacifica for preparation of final design plans, permit applications, and environmental documents for public access improvements along the bluffs in northern Pacifica, San Mateo County.
5. a revision of the Craven-Nation Property Disposition/Implementation Plan, adopted by the Conservancy on March 23, 2000, to clarify that the Executive Officer is authorized to market and sell its Victorine Ranch property in Big Sur, Monterey County, as a single lot, two separate lots, or three separate lots.

San Francisco Bay Area

1. a grant of \$765,000 to the Bay Area Ridge Trail Council for planning for future Bay Area Ridge Trail projects within the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area.
2. a grant of \$322,818 to the Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose to create an outdoor, nature-based play space adjacent to the Guadalupe River in the City of San Jose, Santa Clara County.
3. a grant of \$25,000 to the City of Fairfield to complete design of a section of the Bay Area Ridge Trail that will improve pedestrian/bicycle crossing of Green Valley Road and Westlake Drive in Solano County.
4. use of \$250,000 for one additional year of monitoring at the Living Shorelines Project sites on the San Rafael shoreline, Marin County, and at Eden Landing Ecological Reserve, Alameda County.

North Coast

1. a grant of \$403,800 of funds received from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and an additional \$33,000 in Conservancy funds to the Northcoast Regional Land Trust to implement Phase II of the Wood Creek Enhancement Project in Humboldt County.
2. augmentation of its April 18, 2013, authorization to disburse an additional amount of up to \$175,000 to California Trout, Inc. to include Russ family properties in the planning for the Eel River Estuary and Centerville Slough Enhancement Project (formerly approved as the Eel River Estuary Preserve Restoration Project), Humboldt County.

The next Conservancy meeting is scheduled for January 28, 2016, in Laguna Beach.