

State Coastal Conservancy Meeting Report November 19, 2020

The Coastal Conservancy approved the following:

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA

1. A grant of up to \$3,000,000 to the City of Richmond for final design and implementation of the [Terminal Four Wharf Removal Project](#) near Point San Pablo, Contra Costa County; and adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. A grant of up to \$271,357 to the City of Albany for preparation of plans, designs and environmental review documents for Phase V of the [Codornices Creek Restoration Project](#).
3. A grant of up to \$125,000 to the Napa Valley Transportation Authority for the design and construction of 2.9 miles of [Bay Area Ridge Trail](#)/Napa Valley Vine Trail in Napa County, and adoption of findings under the California Environmental Quality Act.
4. Recommendation to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission that five resource protection and public access projects be included in the [Priority Conservation Area \(PCA\) Grant Program](#).
5. A grant of up to \$1,000,000 to California Wildlife Foundation for final ecotone and revegetation construction documents to support implementation of the [South San Francisco Bay Shoreline Project](#) in Santa Clara County.

CENTRAL COAST

1. A grant of up to \$250,000 to the County of San Luis Obispo to construct public access improvements to an existing informal coastal park at [Cave Landing](#), San Luis Obispo County.
2. A grant of up to \$250,000 to the Port San Luis Harbor District to [renovate the Avila pier](#) in San Luis Obispo County.
3. A grant of up to \$79,750 to Monterey Bay Aquarium to implement a project to aid in recovery of the [southern sea otter](#), consisting of raising and releasing up to three stranded pups using captive female otters as surrogates, and analyzing and circulating best practices for sea otter surrogacy.
4. A grant of up to \$100,000 to the County of Santa Barbara to prepare feasibility and technical studies, design plans, and a County permit pre-application package for a new coastal trail, coastal access parking, and beach accessway at [Jalama Beach](#) County Park.

SOUTH COAST

1. A grant of up to \$250,000 to the Los Cerritos Wetlands Authority to prepare plans, environmental documents, and permit applications for wetland restoration and public access facilities in the southern area of the [Los Cerritos Wetlands](#) in Seal Beach.

A. Addendum: [Los Cerritos Wetlands](#)

2. A grant of up to \$445,990 to California Trout, Inc. to plan and prepare designs, technical analysis, and reports for a riparian habitat restoration project at [Rose Valley Creek](#) in Los Padres National Forest in unincorporated Ventura County.
3. A grant of up to \$550,000 to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority to construct public beach access improvements at [Big Rock Beach](#) in the City of Malibu.
4. A grant of up to \$24,000 to Orange County Coastkeeper for management and maintenance of the public access easement at [Portofino Cove in Huntington Harbor](#) in the City of Huntington Beach, Orange County
5. A grant of up to \$48,210 of funds received from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) to U.S. Geological Survey and Southern California Coastal Water Research Project to augment the previously authorized grant for [marsh migration and estuary dynamics studies](#) as recommended by the Southern California Wetlands Recovery Project.

STATEWIDE

1. A grant of up to \$695,000 to nonprofit organizations and public agencies for 21 projects that facilitate and enhance the public's opportunities to [explore the California coast](#). Participants are drawn from throughout the State and will visit coastal locations from Del Norte County south to San Diego County.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

- B. [Update of Conservancy Project Selection Criteria](#).
- C. Recognition of Oversight Members State Senators Bill Monning and Jerry Hill for their outstanding contributions benefitting the California Coast.
- D. Consideration and possible [approval of the 2021 Conservancy meeting schedule](#).
- E. Report on the [Regional Strategy for the Southern California Wetlands Recovery](#) Project.

There was a lengthy public comment period during Public Comment on non-agenda items on the Ballona Wetlands, as well as several public comments on the Los Cerritos authorization.

The next Conservancy meeting is scheduled for January 21, 2021 and will be held via teleconference.