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LCP Grant Program Recommendation

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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to support the \$780,000 application from Santa Cruz County to complete their technical studies on sea level rise hazards, impacts, and adaptation pathways to the Local Coastal Program.

There is a lot of work to be done preparing our county for changes that have already arrived in the form of storm damage, erosion, and changes in ocean temperatures. Approval of this request benefits both residents and visitors to our very popular county.

Kind regards,
Rebecca Downing
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Dear Coastal Commissioners:

We support the Santa Cruz County LCP Grant Application to complete a series of technical studies on sea level rise (SLR) hazards, economic impacts, and adaptation pathways that will culminate in an LCP amendment on SLR. The project would build adaptation approaches at both the countywide and neighborhood scale, including phased, trigger-based adaptation pathways, as described in the County's grant application. The County of Santa Cruz intends to use the grant funds to complete a sea level rise vulnerability assessment for the County coastline and revise the LCP General Plan and County Code Amendments related to coastal hazards. The County has limited resources and needs to complete a "vulnerability study" of the coastal beaches and bluffs, lagoons, infrastructures, and properties in the coastal hazards zone to identify those areas at risk of flooding and erosion with sea level rise and more frequent and severe storm surges. This will help the County to establish priorities for adaptation strategies to set triggers for planning purposes.

Thank you for your consideration.

Steve Forer
President,
Coastal Property Owners – Santa Cruz County

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