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February 8, 2005

Mr. Doug Bosco, Chairman
California Coastal Conservancy
Attn: Jim King
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

RE: Support for Lighthouse Ranch Acquisition

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am writing to ask for your support for the acquisition of Lighthouse Ranch located atop Table Bluff in Humboldt County, currently under consideration for funding by the California Coastal Conservancy.

Support of this Project would provide up to \$500,000 to the Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) for acquiring the 5.5-acre Lighthouse Ranch located atop Table Bluff, a prominent coastal headland overlooking the Eel River Delta. Once acquired, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) would rehabilitate structures on the site for use as a caretaker residence, maintenance facility and as a hub for public access and law enforcement for the surrounding public lands, which includes some 3000 acres managed by four separate jurisdictions.

The location and characteristics of the property are ideal for immediate use as a management facility. Development of a visitors' center that would provide the public with information about the natural resources preserved in the area has been identified as a long-term goal for this location. The natural beauty and coastal location make this an ideal spot for a visitor's facility. A public agency presence at the Lighthouse Ranch site was a key objective of the Humboldt Beach and Dunes Management Plan adopted by the Conservancy in March 1995.

I encourage the Coastal Conservancy to provide funding to support this Project. If I can answer any questions or be of assistance, feel free to contact my Eureka District Office at (707) 445-6508.

Sincerely,

WESLEY CHESBRO
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February 7, 2005

Doug Bosco, Chairman
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100
Oakland, CA 94612

Re: Lighthouse Ranch, Humboldt County

Dear Doug:

I am writing to support proposed Coastal Conservancy funding for acquisition of the Lighthouse Ranch on Table Bluff in Humboldt County. This is a premium opportunity to acquire a prominent coastal headland that overlooks the South Spit and the Eel River Wildlife Area, approximately 3000 acres of coastal habitat managed by four jurisdictions.

With the Coastal Conservancy's assistance, the Wildlife Conservation Board will acquire the parcel and convey it to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to manage as part of the South Spit Wildlife Area. BLM plans to rehabilitate the structures to provide a caretaker residence, maintenance facility and a hub for public access. The area is remote and in the past has been subject to excessive vandalism and illegal trespass. It requires on site personnel and a law enforcement presence. The Lighthouse Ranch is ideal for this purpose and more importantly, for the development of a future visitor's center.

I have worked with many public agencies over the years to make sure the South Spit was brought into public ownership and opened again for the public's enjoyment. A management plan was crafted by multiple agencies and adopted by the BLM. Securing the Lighthouse Ranch is the next step and I urge the Conservancy's favorable consideration.

If I may answer any questions please do not hesitate to contact me directly. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

MIKE THOMPSON
Member of Congress
1st District, California

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January 26, 2005

Doug Bosco, Chair
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100
Oakland, CA 94612

RE: Proposed Lighthouse Ranch acquisition, Humboldt County

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing to express my support for your staff's recommendation to authorize \$500,000 of Coastal Conservancy funds for the acquisition of the Lighthouse Ranch property located on Table Bluff at the south end of Humboldt Bay.

This 5.5 acre parcel is a spectacular coastal site and is ideally located for successful management of the various public lands in the Table Bluff area. These include the South Spit Reserve managed by the U.S. Bureau of Land Management, Department of Fish and Game's Eel River Reserve and its Table Bluff Ecological Reserve.

The acquisition of Lighthouse Ranch is key to the successful holistic stewardship of these lands. Once acquired, the site holds great promise for productive partnerships in enhancing coastal access, wildlife and cultural interpretation. The acquisition and development of Lighthouse Ranch offers an ideal approach for achieving community and Conservancy objectives for this important resource area.

I strongly encourage the Coastal Conservancy to support this important acquisition. If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact my Eureka District Office at (707) 445-7014.

Sincerely,

PATTY BERG
Assemblymember, 1st District

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February 7, 2005

Mr. Doug Bosco, Chairman
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100
Oakland, CA 94612

Re: Lighthouse Ranch Acquisition, Humboldt County

Dear Chairman Bosco,

With the acquisition of the Lighthouse Ranch property, oversight to public lands will extend northward to the mouth of Humboldt Bay as well as southward to the mouth of the Eel River. This would cover approximately 3,000 acres and almost nine miles of continuous coastline.

Establishment of a public agency presence will lead towards the elimination of vandalism, arson, illegal public use and other activities that have contributed to resource impacts of the surrounding public lands. As is, the site (with some improvements of existing structures) would provide for maintenance facilities, caretaker and enforcement services. Future uses of the site will include a visitor center and offices which will provide a focal point for public access and information to the surrounding public lands.

The Department of Fish and Game strongly supports this acquisition and recommends your consideration.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (707) 441-5789.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "K Kovacs".

Karen Kovacs
Senior Biologist Supervisor
Wildlife Programs Branch

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In Reply Refer To:
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February 23, 2005

Doug Bosco, Chair
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100
Oakland, CA 94612

RE: Proposed Lighthouse Ranch Acquisition, Humboldt County

Dear Mr. Bosco:

We are writing to express our support of your staff's recommendation to authorize \$500,000 of Coastal Conservancy funds for the acquisition of the Lighthouse Ranch property located on Table Bluff at the south end of Humboldt Bay.

This 5.5 acre parcel is a spectacular coastal site and is ideally located with the existing structures needed for the successful management of the various public lands in the Table Bluff area. These include the South Spit Cooperative Management Area managed by the U.S. Bureau of Land Management, Department of Fish and Game's Eel River Reserve and its Table Bluff Ecological Reserve. The acquisition is key to successful management now and, once acquired, the site holds great promise for productive partnerships for enhancing coastal access and interpretation of the areas' wildlife and cultural resources.

I strongly encourage the Coastal Conservancy to support this important acquisition.

Sincerely,

Lynda J. Roush
Arcata Field Manager

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January 25, 2005

Doug Bosco, Chairman
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Ste 1100
Oakland, CA 94612

RE: Lighthouse Ranch Acquisition

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I strongly support the effort to acquire the 5.5 acre Lighthouse Ranch in Humboldt County. The property, located in my Supervisorial District, is situated on Table Bluff overlooking Humboldt Bay, the Eel River Delta and the South Spit.

Public acquisition of this unique site would significantly enhance multiple agency visitor opportunities at the South Spit and the Eel River Wildlife Area. It could very well lead to a California Department of Fish and Game, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Land Management and Tribal interpretive center. The options for visitor services and staff support at this location are nearly endless.

The Lighthouse Ranch property would be a wonderful public asset. I enthusiastically support the acquisition and thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Smith
1st District Supervisor

JS/kr

cc: Lynda Roush, Bureau of Land Management
Karen Kovacs, California Department Fish & Game