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Mr. Timothy Duff, Project Manager  
State Coastal Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300  
Oakland, CA 94612-2530



**RE: Letter of Support for Acquisition of the Gragnani Property – Paradise Beach**

Dear Mr. Duff:

The Dunes Collaborative is pleased to offer its support of the proposed acquisition of the Gragnani Property on Paradise Beach, just north of Point Sal in the Guadalupe-Nipomo Dunes. Our Land Acquisition Task Force has found this area to be one of the highest priorities for conservation efforts in the entire Dunes Complex, and we are excited by the possibility of further protecting the unique natural resources and the rugged, scenic beauty surrounding Point Sal.

The Land Conservancy of San Luis Obispo County, one of the Dunes Collaborative's member organizations, has stepped forward and taken a lead role in discussions with the landowner towards the end of a purchase for conservation purposes. We understand from them that the appraisal work funded by the owners is in its final stages, and that formal negotiations could begin within the next few weeks. Accordingly, we would like to request that the State Coastal Conservancy consider the expenditure of Proposition 70 funds in the event that the Land Conservancy is able to successfully negotiate a purchase and sale agreement with the current owners.

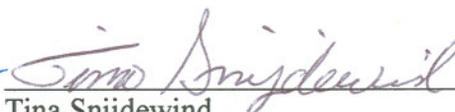
Thank you very much for your attention to our letter and for your commitment to the long-term protection and enhancement of the Guadalupe-Nipomo Dunes. We are greatly appreciative of the relationship that we enjoy with the State Coastal Conservancy. Please feel free to contact us should you have any questions or concerns whatsoever.

Sincerely,

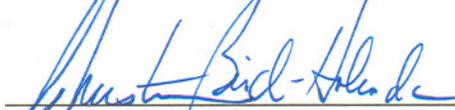
  
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