

Item 6b – Exhibit B3: Letters of Support



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Lisa Ann L. Mangat, Director

February 16th, 2018

Ocean Protection Council

1416 Ninth Street Suite 1311

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Re: Morro Bay State Park marina shoreline enhancement project grant application
Landowner consent and letter of support

Ocean Protection Council,

Please accept this letter in support of the Morro Bay State Park marina shoreline enhancement project grant application. As the landowner of the park and marina parking lot, I hereby give consent for the project to occur on State Parks property and for the applicant, Morro Bay National Estuary Program to obtain any and all necessary permits for the project to proceed at the marina.

This project will contribute toward improvement of the Morro Bay watershed and has the full support of State Parks. If any additional information is needed relative to this grant application, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Falat".

Dan Falat

District Superintendent

Attachments: evidence of ownership, land tenure data sheet, permit approval status form, CEQA compliance form, CEQA notice of exemption

Cc: Lexi Bell, Morro Bay National Estuary Program
Rikki Eriksen, California Marine Sanctuary Foundation



CITY OF MORRO BAY

HARBOR DEPARTMENT

1275 Embarcadero Road
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February 16, 2018

John Laird, Secretary for Natural Resources
Chair, California Ocean Protection Council
California Resources Agency
Proposition 1 Grant
1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1311
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Ocean Protection Council,

The City of Morro Bay is pleased to offer support for the California Marine Sanctuary Foundation's Ocean Protection Council Prop 1 proposal to plan and implement green infrastructure at Morro Bay State Park's Baywood Parking Lot and Marina area.

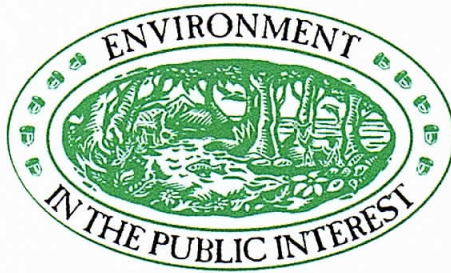
This project will provide multiple long-term benefits to the Morro Bay coastal and estuarine ecosystems, fisheries and wildlife, in addition to ancillary benefits to the local economy. Like many coastal water bodies, water quality in Morro Bay, home to state marine protected areas and a federal national estuary, is threatened by increasing urbanization and development. Water quality here can be a reflection of upland-sourced pollutants generated locally, including nutrients, fertilizers, and chemicals from the Morro Bay Golf Course nearby, sedimentation and petroleum hydrocarbons from storm water runoff of the urbanized area. The proposed infrastructure project will directly reduce pollution into Morro Bay by decreasing delivery of solid waste and non-point source pollution including sediment, oil, contaminants and other waterfront pollutants from upland sources.

The City of Morro Bay Harbor Department has worked with the CMSF on previous projects, including most recently a marine protected area (MPA) informational signage project to inform Morro Bay boaters and fishermen of the local MPA locations and regulations in a simple and informative manner.

We hope that you will support this initiative to help Morro Bay continue its efforts to protect coastal water quality with green infrastructure. We believe this project will satisfy another opportunity to achieve water quality improvement in Morro Bay, and we look forward to assisting the California Marine Sanctuary Foundation in this project.

Faithfully,

Eric Endersby
Harbor Director



EPI-Center, 1013 Monterey Street, Suite 202 San Luis Obispo, CA 93401 Phone: 805-781-9932

John Laird, Chair
Ocean Protection Council
1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1311
Sacramento, CA 95814

12 February 2018

Dear Chair Laird and Honorable Council Members,

Environment in the Public Interest (DBA San Luis Obispo Coastkeeper) is pleased to offer support for the California Marine Sanctuary Foundation's Ocean Protection Council Prop 1 proposal to plan and implement green infrastructure at Morro Bay State Park's Marina Parking Lot and Marina area, cleaning up Morro Bay for the benefit of the local economy, fisheries and marine wildlife. .

This project will provide multiple long-term benefits to the coastal and estuarine Morro Bay ecosystems. Currently, water quality in Morro Bay, home to state marine protected areas and a federal national estuary, has been degraded by increasing urbanization and development. Water quality impairment here is a reflection of pollutants generated locally, including nutrients, fertilizers, and chemicals from the Morro Bay Golf Course, sediments and petroleum hydrocarbons from storm water runoff of the urbanized area, fish waste, and toxic metals (e.g. boat maintenance) from the marina. During storm events, Morro Bay's water quality frequently falls below standards, resulting in exposure warnings and algal blooms. The proposed infrastructure project will directly reduce pollution into Morro Bay by decreasing delivery of solid waste and non-point source pollution including sediment, oil, contaminants and other waterfront pollutants.

EPI/SLO Coastkeeper is a 501(c)(3) scientific and educational corporation organized to protect public trust resources throughout the Central Coast - including Morro Bay and its MPAs for the benefit of its special habitats as well as the surrounding human communities. EPI has a successful track record of advocating compliance with local, State, and Federal environmental regulations, and specifically for water quality and stormwater flow issues in Morro Bay. For more than 5 years our team of volunteers, university interns and staff have observed and recorded significant unmitigated stormwater flow from the Morro Bay State Park Marina parking lot into the adjacent MPA (<http://epic805/reports/>).

In addition to our support California Marine Sanctuary Foundation's request for OPC funding to rectify the stormwater flow at the State Park Marina, we currently partner with CMSF to construct and deploy a mobile remote sensing system to be used to inform CDFW management of the Central Coast MPA Network.

EPI believes the proposed project serves the public interest in resolving crucial needs for water quality improvement at the site of a long-standing water quality issue in Morro Bay. Our organization is eager to assist CMSF in this endeavor and we look forward to further collaboration.

We urge your support of this initiative which will help the Morro Bay Marina become a model of green infrastructure in our efforts to protect coastal water quality.

Sincerely,

Gordon Hensley, San Luis Obispo Coastkeeper
Environment in the Public Interest

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RESOURCES LEGACY FUND
CREATIVE SOLUTIONS. LASTING RESULTS.

February 15, 2018

Re: Support for CMSF Proposal to plan and implement green infrastructure at the Morro Bay State Park Baywood Parking Lot and Marina

Dear Ocean Protection Council,

Resources Legacy Fund is pleased to offer support for the California Marine Sanctuary Foundation's (CMSF) Ocean Protection Council Proposition 1 proposal to plan and implement green infrastructure at Morro Bay State Park's Baywood Parking Lot and Marina area. The proposed project will help restore Morro Bay for the benefit of the local economy, fisheries and marine wildlife.

This project will provide multiple long-term benefits to coastal and estuarine Morro Bay ecosystems. Currently, water quality in Morro Bay, home to state marine protected areas and a national estuary, has been degraded by increasing urbanization and development. Water quality there is a reflection of pollutants generated locally, including nutrients, fertilizers, and chemicals from the Morro Bay Golf Course, sediments and petroleum hydrocarbons from storm water runoff from the urbanized area, and fish waste and toxic metals (e.g., from boat maintenance) from the marina itself. During storm events, Morro Bay's water quality frequently falls below standards, resulting in exposure warnings and algal blooms. The proposed infrastructure project will directly reduce pollution into Morro Bay by decreasing delivery of solid waste and non-point source pollution including sediment, oil, contaminants and other waterfront pollutants.

Resources Legacy Found has worked effectively with CMSF over several years on outreach and educations efforts designed to improve understanding of the state's marine protected area network, including support for CMSF's engagement with several harbors and marinas. We have found CMSF to be an excellent partner, highly professional and well -organized in all of its work, and quite effective at communicating with harbors and marinas in particular.

We hope that the OPC will support this initiative, which will help Morro Bay become a model of green infrastructure and will significantly improve coastal water quality. Resources Legacy Fund believes the project will meet crucial needs for water quality improvement at a site that has created long-standing water quality issues in Morro Bay. We are eager to assist CMSF in this endeavor and look forward to further collaboration.

Sincerely,

Jocelyn Garovoy Herbert
Attorney/ Program Officer

February 18th, 2017

Dear Ocean Protection Council,

A Kayak Shack is pleased to offer support for the California Marine Sanctuary Foundation's Ocean Protection Council Prop 1 proposal to plan and implement green infrastructure at Morro Bay State Park' Baywood Parking Lot and Marina area, cleaning up Morro Bay for the benefit of the local economy, fisheries and marine wildlife.

This project will provide multiple long-term benefits to the coastal and estuarine Morro Bay ecosystems. Currently, water quality in Morro Bay, home to state marine protected areas and a federal national estuary, has been degraded by increasing urbanization and development. Water quality here is a reflection of pollutants generated locally, including nutrients, fertilizers, and chemicals from the Morro Bay Golf Course, sediments and petroleum hydrocarbons from storm water runoff of the urbanized area, and fish waste and toxic metals (e.g. boat maintenance) from the marina. During storm events, Morro Bay's water quality frequently falls below standards, resulting in exposure warnings and algal blooms. The proposed infrastructure project will directly reduce pollution into Morro Bay by decreasing delivery of solid waste and non-point source pollution including sediment, oil, contaminants and other waterfront pollutants.

For decades *A Kayak Shack* has rented out kayaks in the back for visitors and locals to immerse themselves in this breathing estuary. Over the years we have seen the environment alterations firsthand—increased algae blooms, escalating turbidity levels, bioaccumulation, etc. Our company is committed to a greener infrastructure that will keep our natural world persevered for generations to come. We continue our with alliance with the California Marine Sanctuary Foundation and in support of Ocean Protection Council Prop 1.

We hope that you will support this initiative, which will help Morro Bay become a model of green infrastructure in our efforts to protect coastal water quality. *A Kayak Shack* believes the project will satisfy crucial needs for water quality improvement at the site of a long-standing water quality issue in Morro Bay. We are eager to assist the California Marine Sanctuary Foundation in this endeavor and look forward to further collaboration.

Sincerely,



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February 13, 2018

Ocean Protection Council
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Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Ocean Protection Council,

Save Our Shores is pleased to offer support for the California Marine Sanctuary Foundation's (CMSF) Ocean Protection Council Prop 1 proposal to plan and implement green infrastructure at Morro Bay State Park' Baywood Parking Lot and Marina area, cleaning up Morro Bay for the benefit of the local economy, fisheries and marine wildlife.

This project will provide multiple long-term benefits to the coastal and estuarine Morro Bay ecosystems. Currently, water quality in Morro Bay, home to state marine protected areas and a federal national estuary, has been degraded by increasing urbanization and development. Water quality here is a reflection of pollutants generated locally, including nutrients, fertilizers, and chemicals from the Morro Bay Golf Course, sediments and petroleum hydrocarbons from storm water runoff of the urbanized area, and fish waste and toxic metals (e.g. boat maintenance) from the marina. During storm events, Morro Bay's water quality frequently falls below standards, resulting in exposure warnings and algal blooms. The proposed infrastructure project will directly reduce pollution into Morro Bay by decreasing delivery of solid waste and non-point source pollution including sediment, oil, contaminants and other waterfront pollutants.

Since Save Our Shores mission is to steward clean shores, healthy habitats and living waters to foster a thriving Monterey Bay and Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary, we are very interested in seeing water quality improvements in Morro Bay ecosystems and in seeing this CMSF project funded and implemented. Over the past several years we have enjoyed a collaborative and productive relationship with CMSF, through the production of a variety of education and outreach products aimed at protecting our regional Marine Protected Areas.

We hope that you will support this initiative, which will help Morro Bay become a model of green infrastructure in our efforts to protect coastal water quality. Save Our Shores believes the project will satisfy crucial needs for water quality improvement at the site of a long-standing water quality issue in Morro Bay. We are eager to assist the California Marine Sanctuary Foundation in this endeavor and look forward to further collaboration.

Sincerely,

Katherine O'Dea
Executive Director
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MORRO BAY

NATIONAL ESTUARY PROGRAM

MULTI-PARTY RESOLUTION NO. 61-18

RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT STATE PARK MARINA PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, the Morro Bay National Estuary Program works to protect and restore Morro Bay for people and wildlife; and

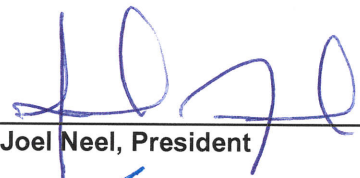
WHEREAS, one of the Estuary Program's goals in the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan is to protect and enhance water quality in Morro Bay; and

WHEREAS, the Morro Bay State Park Marina parking lot is a site that contributes stormwater pollution to the bay; and

WHEREAS, the Morro Bay Estuary Program supports improvements at the State Park Marina parking lot to reduce stormwater runoff and improve on-site stormwater management.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the undersigned acknowledge approval by their respective organizations – Bay Foundation, Executive Committee and Regional Water Quality Control Board – to support implementation of improvements at the State Park Marina parking lot.

For the Bay Foundation:


Joel Neel, President
02/14/18
Date

For the Executive Committee:


Marshall Ochylski, Chair
02/14/2018
Date

For the Regional Water Quality Control Board:


Jennifer Epp
02/14/18
Date

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February 23, 2018

Dear Ocean Protection Council:

Ocean Conservancy is pleased to offer support for the California Marine Sanctuary Foundation's Ocean Protection Council Prop 1 proposal to plan and implement green infrastructure at Morro Bay State Park's Baywood Parking Lot and Marina area.

This project will provide multiple, long-term benefits to the coastal and estuarine Morro Bay ecosystems. Currently, water quality in Morro Bay (home to state marine protected areas and a federal national estuary) is degraded from increasing urbanization and development. Water quality here is a reflection of pollutants generated locally, including nutrients, fertilizers, and chemicals from the Morro Bay Golf Course, sediments and petroleum hydrocarbons from storm water runoff of the urbanized area, and fish waste and toxic metals from the marina. Morro Bay's water quality frequently falls below established standards and the proposed infrastructure project would dramatically reduce pollution into Morro Bay by decreasing delivery of this solid waste and non-point source pollution.

Over the past several years the CMSF has become a trusted and respected partner with the State of California on priority ocean conservation issues. I have full confidence in their ability to manage this large-scale project, coordinate and facilitate the work among the ocean recreation community and deliver the desired outcomes in a timely and effective manner.

Ocean Conservancy hopes that the OPC will support this initiative, which will help Morro Bay become a model of green infrastructure in our ongoing efforts to protect coastal water quality across the state of California.

Sincerely,

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George H. Leonard, PhD
Chief Scientist
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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Ocean Protection Council
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Sacramento, CA 95814

BRUCE GIBSON
SUPERVISOR DISTRICT TWO

June 26, 2018

Dear Ocean Protection Council,

I write in support of the California Marine Sanctuary Foundation's Ocean Protection Council Prop 1 proposal to plan and implement green infrastructure at Morro Bay State Park's Baywood Parking Lot and Marina area.

This project will provide multiple long-term benefits to the coastal and estuarine Morro Bay ecosystems. Currently, water quality in Morro Bay, home to state Marine Protected Areas and a federal national estuary, has been degraded by increasing urbanization and development. Water quality here is a reflection of pollutants generated locally, including nutrients, fertilizers, sediments and petroleum hydrocarbons from storm water runoff of the urbanized area. During storm events, Morro Bay's water quality frequently falls below standards, resulting in exposure warnings and algal blooms. The proposed infrastructure project will directly reduce pollution into Morro Bay by decreasing delivery of solid waste and non-point source pollution including sediment, oil, contaminants and other waterfront pollutants.

As county supervisor for this area, I have served as a member of the Morro Bay National Estuary Program's Executive Committee for more than a decade. The Estuary Program has a long history of implementing sound projects throughout the Morro Bay watershed to improve water quality and that are built on strong partnerships. The County has partnered on a number of these projects, including habitat restoration, water quality monitoring, and outreach activities.

I urge your support of this initiative, which will help Morro Bay become a model of green infrastructure in our efforts to protect coastal water quality. I believe the project will satisfy crucial needs for water quality improvement at the site of a long-standing water quality issue in Morro Bay. San Luis Obispo County is eager to assist the Morro Bay National Estuary Program in this endeavor and look forward to further collaboration.

Sincerely,

Bruce Gibson
District 2 Supervisor
San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors
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Ocean Protection Council
1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1311
Sacramento, CA 95814

7-1-2018

Dear Ocean Protection Council,

I am pleased to offer support for the California Marine Sanctuary Foundation's Ocean Protection Council Prop 1 proposal to plan and implement green infrastructure at Morro Bay State Park' Baywood Parking Lot and Marina area, cleaning up Morro Bay for the benefit of the local economy, fisheries and marine wildlife.

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My business has partnered with the Morro Bay National Estuary Program for a number of years, teaming up to share water quality data, prevent bacterial pollution, and conduct outreach about clean water and oysters. The Estuary Program has a long history of implementing sound projects throughout the Morro Bay watershed to improve water quality and that are built on strong partnerships.

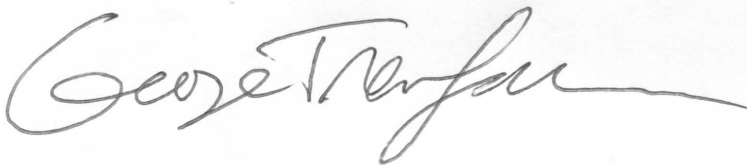
My oyster farm on Morro Bay is impacted each rainy season by stormwater runoff that introduces pollutants into the bay that are then taken up by my oysters. This harms and threatens our local sustainable seafood production and could do harm to thousands of people that consume oysters from Morro

Grassy Bar Oyster Company, Inc. 3488 Gilbert Ave. Cayucos, CA 93430

Bay. Our local oysters should be free of contaminants and wholesome for people to eat!

I therefore implore you to support this initiative, which will help Morro Bay become a model of green infrastructure in our efforts to protect coastal water quality. I believe the project will satisfy crucial needs for water quality improvement at the site of a long-standing water quality issue in Morro Bay. Please call or email me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "George Trevelyan". The signature is fluid and extends to the right with a long horizontal stroke.

George Trevelyan, Ph.D., President
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Sea Otter Savvy

Fostering community stewardship
for sea otters



7/3/2018

Dear Ocean Protection Council,

Sea Otter Savvy is pleased to offer support for the Morro Bay National Estuary Program's Ocean Protection Council Prop 1 proposal to plan and implement green infrastructure at Morro Bay State Park' Baywood Parking Lot and Marina area, cleaning up Morro Bay for the benefit of the local economy, fisheries and marine wildlife.

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Sea Otter Savvy is a multi-agency research and outreach program dedicated to reducing human impacts to sea otters. We are supported by the US Fish and Wildlife Service, CA Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Monterey Bay Aquarium, and Friends of the Sea Otter. We work extensively with the public and community members in Morro Bay to spread a message about respecting wildlife and solutions for reducing human impact. We partner regularly with CA State Parks, Seabird Protection Network, the SLO MPA Collaborative, and the Morro Bay National Estuary Program on strategies to protect sea otters and other marine wildlife.

We hope that you will support this initiative, which will help Morro Bay become a model of green infrastructure in our efforts to protect coastal water quality. Sea Otter Savvy believes the project will satisfy crucial needs for water quality improvement at the site of a long-standing water quality issue in Morro Bay. We are eager to assist the many partner including Morro Bay National Estuary Program, San Luis Obispo CoastKeepers, California Marine Sanctuary Foundation, California State Parks and Coastal San Luis Resource Conservation District Coast in this endeavor and look forward to further collaboration.

Sincerely,

Gena

Gena Bentall

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Ocean Protection Council
1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1311
Sacramento, CA 95814

June 28, 2018

Dear Ocean Protection Council,

Morro Coast Audubon Society is pleased to offer support for the California Marine Sanctuary Foundation's Ocean Protection Council Prop 1 proposal to plan and implement green infrastructure at Morro Bay State Park' Baywood Parking Lot and Marina area, cleaning up Morro Bay for the benefit of the local economy, fisheries and marine wildlife.

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Morro Coast Audubon Society has partnered with the Morro Bay National Estuary Program for a number of years, on project such as outreach and education, eelgrass transplanting, and habitat restoration. The Estuary Program has been a supportive partner of beneficial projects throughout the watershed.

We hope that you will support this initiative, which will help Morro Bay become a model of green infrastructure in our efforts to protect coastal water quality. Morro Coast Audubon Society believes the project will satisfy crucial needs for water quality improvement at the site of a long-standing water quality issue in Morro Bay. We are eager to assist the Morro Bay National Estuary Program in this endeavor and look forward to further collaboration.

Sincerely,

David Tyra
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07/05/2018

Dear Ocean Protection Council,

Yak Tityu Tityu yak Tiłhini - Northern Chumash of SLO is pleased to offer support for the Morro Bay National Estuary Program's Ocean Protection Council Prop 1 proposal to plan and implement green infrastructure at Morro Bay State Park' Baywood Parking Lot and Marina area, cleaning up Morro Bay for the benefit of the local economy, fisheries and marine wildlife.

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We hope that you will support this initiative, which will help Morro Bay become a model of green infrastructure in our efforts to protect coastal water quality. Yak Tityu Tityu yak Tiłhini Northern Chumash of SLO believes the project will satisfy crucial needs for water quality improvement at the site of a long-standing water quality issue in Morro Bay. We are eager to assist the many partner including Morro Bay National Estuary Program, San Luis Obispo CoastKeepers, California Marine Sanctuary Foundation, California State Parks and Coastal San Luis Resource Conservation District Coast in this endeavor and look forward to further collaboration.

Sincerely,

Haylee Bautista

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6/30/2018

Morro Bay Yacht Club

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Dear Ocean Protection Council,

Morro Bay Yacht Club is pleased to offer support for the California Marine Sanctuary Foundation's Ocean Protection Council Prop 1 proposal to plan and implement green infrastructure at Morro Bay State Park' Baywood Parking Lot and Marina area, cleaning up Morro Bay for the benefit of the local economy, fisheries and marine wildlife.

This project will provide multiple long-term benefits to the coastal and estuarine Morro Bay ecosystems. Currently, water quality in Morro Bay, home to state marine protected areas and a federal national estuary, has been degraded by increasing urbanization and development. Water quality here is a reflection of pollutants generated locally, including nutrients, fertilizers, sediments and petroleum hydrocarbons from storm-water runoff of the urbanized area. During storm events, Morro Bay's water quality frequently falls below standards, resulting in exposure warnings and algal blooms. The proposed infrastructure project will directly reduce pollution into Morro Bay by decreasing delivery of solid waste and non-point source pollution including sediment, oil, contaminants and other waterfront pollutants.

Morro Bay Yacht Club is devoted to competitive and non-competitive boating activities and has a vested interest in clean water in Morro Bay. We also host a Junior Yacht Club and sailing lessons to promote sailing and boating. Clean water is essential for a safe and healthy experience for participating children. Morro Bay Yacht Club has also been active in partnering with the Morro Bay National Estuary Program on clean boating outreach messaging and eelgrass protection in the bay.

We hope that you will support this initiative, which will help Morro Bay become a model of green infrastructure in our efforts to protect coastal water quality. Morro Bay Yacht Club believes the project will satisfy crucial needs for water quality improvement at the site of a long-standing water quality issue in Morro Bay. We are eager to assist the Morro Bay National Estuary Program in this endeavor and look forward to further collaboration.

Sincerely,

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