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July 14, 2017

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman California State Coastal Conservancy 1515 Clay Street, 10th Floor Oakland, CA 94612

RE: Support for The Wildcat Creek Restoration and Greenway Trail Project application from the City of San Pablo

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I want to express my support for the City of San Pablo's Coastal Conservancy's California Urban Greening Project application for the Wildcat Creek Restoration and Greenway Trail Project.

The Wildcat Creek Restoration and Greenway Trail Project will restore over 2,000 linear feet of creek channel to correct unstable creek banks, improve degraded habitat, reduce local flooding and provide a safe open space/bike path for San Pablo residents. This project aims to connect local citizens to the natural environment through an innovative pilot program for long term monitoring of the site.

In addition to in stream benefits, this project will also provide safe bicycle lanes and enhanced pedestrian paths which will help to connect this low-income community to the natural environment.

The Wildcat Creek Restoration and Greenway Trail Project has obtained funding from other sources and if the request to the Coastal Conservancy is approved, then the project will be fully funded.

In closing, the Wildcat Creek Restoration and Greenway Trail Project is valuable project to the people of San Pablo and the region. I thank you for your consideration and please let me know if there are any questions.

Thank you for your consideration,

Tony Thurmond Assemblymember 15th Assembly District