MONTEREY REGIONAL STORM WATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

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> Attn: Jeff Condit (831) 645-4621

Dave Stoldt, General Manager Monterey Peninsula Water Management District 5 Harris Court Monterey, CA 93940

Re: Monterey Peninsula, Carmel Bay and South Monterey Bay Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP)

Dear Mr. Stoldt,

The Monterey Peninsula, Carmel Bay and South Monterey Bay IRWMP funding area has the opportunity to receive \$4.3M in Prop 1 IRWM funding, including 10% for Disadvantaged Community (DAC) Involvement and 10% for DAC Projects. Based on a review of DWR's 2014 Plan review comments and DWR's 2016 updated requirements for the IRWMP standards, minor updates to the 2014 IRWMP need to be made this year in order to be eligible for this funding.

The Monterey Regional Stormwater Management Program (MRSWMP) is currently managing a regional Stormwater Resource Plan process; a complimentary effort that will be incorporated as an appendix to an updated Monterey Peninsula IRWMP. The MRSWMP strongly supports the Big Sur Land Trust's (BSLT) proposal to provide a cost-effective approach to achieve the needed update to the Monterey Peninsula IRWMP, positioning the region for significant funding opportunities.

The process for updating the Monterey Peninsula IRWMP also provides an opportunity to bring additional stakeholders to the table. An expanded RWMG may better position the Monterey Peninsula IRWMP for enhanced collaboration across the region. The MRSWMP greatly appreciates the District's consideration of an action to fund this necessary IRWMP update in partnership with BSLT and stakeholders.

Sincerely,

Jeff Condi

Jeff Condit, Program Manager Monterey Regional Storm Water Management Program