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June 20, 2014

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San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC)

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Re: Sonoma Creek Marsh Enhancement Project; BCDC Consistency Determination C2014.004.00

Dear Mr. Batha,

As the Education Director of Golden Gate Audubon and a Bay area resident, I am writing to urge you to approve the Sonoma Creek Enhancement Project at San Pablo Bay National Wildlife Refuge currently under review by the Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC).

This project will restore 270 acres of heavily degraded tidal marsh habitat in the San Pablo Bay, home to populations of federally Endangered California Clapper Rail and Salt Marsh Harvest Mouse, as well as the state Threatened Black Rail. Creating a healthy, functional marsh system will also improve water quality and reduce flooding, significantly reduce mosquito populations, and improve shoreline resiliency against sea level rise and intensified storms due to climate change.

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Don't let this important project be delayed another year. Please support a healthier San Pablo Baylands now!

Thank you,

Anthony DeCicco  
Education Director  
Golden Gate Audubon



# Napa-Solano Audubon Society

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Re: Sonoma Creek Marsh Enhancement Project; BCDC Consistency Determination C2014.004.00

Dear Mr. Batha,

I am writing to you today in behalf of the Napa-Solano Audubon Society's (NSAS) 956 members as a member of its conservation committee to urge you to approve the Sonoma Creek Enhancement Project at San Pablo Bay National Wildlife Refuge currently under review by the Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC).

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Thank you,

  
Robin L. C. Leong  
Member of NSAS conservation committee.

Napa Solano Audubon is a 501(c)(3) Nonprofit organization.

**Subject:** FW: URGENT: Please Approve Sonoma Creek Restoration at San Pablo Bay without delay

**Date:** Friday, June 20, 2014 9:18:20 PM Pacific Daylight Time

**From:** Bob Batha

**To:** Brad McCrea, Ellie Knecht, Michelle Levenson

More support for Sonoma Cr project from Audubon

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Dear Mr. Batha,

As a member of Mount Diablo Audubon Society and Bay area resident, I am writing to urge you to approve the Sonoma Creek Enhancement Project at San Pablo Bay National Wildlife Refuge currently under review by the Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC).

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C2014.004.00

Dear Mr. Batha,

On behalf of the 2000 members of Sonoma County's Madrone Audubon chapter and as North Bay area residents, I am writing to urge you this year to approve the Sonoma Creek Enhancement Project at San Pablo Bay National Wildlife Refuge currently under review by the Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC).

The north bay is important habitat for many species. This project will restore 270 acres of heavily degraded tidal marsh habitat in San Pablo Bay. This is home to populations of the Federally Endangered California Clapper Rail and Salt Marsh Harvest Mouse, as well as the State Threatened Black Rail. Creating a healthy, functioning marsh system will also improve water quality, reduce flooding, significantly reduce mosquito populations, and an increasingly important aspect will be to improve shoreline resiliency against sea level rise and from intensified storms due to climate change.

Audubon California has raised all the necessary funds and permits are nearly complete that are needed to move forward with this hugely beneficial project. All are awaiting BCDC approval. Quick action on this proposal will allow Audubon California and the San Pablo Bay National Wildlife Refuge to start construction this fall! Delaying the project may jeopardize funding and staffing for the project. Delays will further imperil marsh wildlife.

Our members urge you to NOT let this important project be delayed another year. Please support healthier San Pablo Baylands now!

Thank you very much for doing all that you can to move this project forward,  
Sincerely,

Diane Hichwa, Conservation Chair,  
Madrone Audubon Society, PO Box 1911, Santa Rosa, CA 95402

**Subject:** FW: Please see attached letter

**Date:** Friday, June 20, 2014 4:40:14 PM Pacific Daylight Time

**From:** Bob Batha

**To:** Brad McCrea, Ellie Knecht, Maureen Gaffney, Steve Ehret

More support.

On 6/20/14 4:37 PM, "Paul Schorr"

Dear Mr. Batha,

I have attached a letter urging you to approve the Sonoma Creek Enhancement Project at San Pablo Bay National Wildlife Refuge. Thank you for your commitment to wildlife in the Bay area.

Sincerely,

Paul Schorr  
Vice President, Mt. Diablo Audubon Society

Date: June 20, 2014

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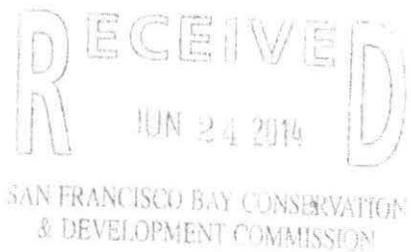
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Thank you,

Paul Schorr



Date: June 21, 2014

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*Sylvia Klenz*

June 23, 2014

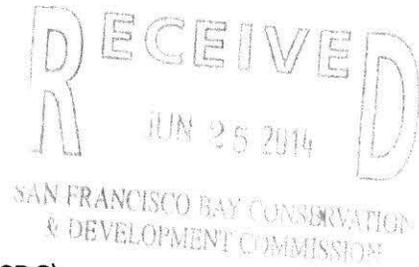
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Thank you,

Betty A. Mosher  
425 Moorland St.  
Vallejo, CA 94589



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Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Betty A. Mosher". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid and connected.

Betty A. Mosher

RECEIVED  
JUN 30 2014

Date: 6/25/14

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Dear Mr. Batha,

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resident, I am writing to urge you to approve the Sonoma  
Creek Enhancement Project at San Pablo Bay National Wildlife  
Refuge currently under review by the Bay Conservation and  
Development Commission (BCDC).

This project will restore 270 acres of heavily degraded tidal marsh  
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