

GENERAL AGREEMENT

Among the

HUFFORD FAMILY

and

ZUBER FAMILY

and

YUROK TRIBE

and

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

and

CALIFORNIA TROUT

and

COUNTY of HUMBOLDT

and

NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE

and

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

and

NORTHCOAST REGIONAL LAND TRUST

and

US FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

for

THE CREATION OF THE REDWOOD CREEK ESTUARY COLLABORATIVE

This GENERAL AGREEMENT (AGREEMENT) is made and entered into as of the date _____, by and among the Hufford Family; the Zuber Family; Yurok Tribe; California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW); California Trout, Inc (CalTrout); County of Humboldt; National Marine Fisheries Service (NOAA Fisheries); National Park Service (NPS); Northcoast Regional Land Trust (NRLT); and US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), each a “PARTY” and collectively the “PARTIES”.

I. RECITALS

Background

WHEREAS:

- The Redwood Creek estuary is a critically important feature in northern coastal California. The watershed hosts Redwood National and State Parks, working agricultural lands, the town of Orick, and critically important populations of salmon and steelhead listed as threatened.
- The estuary and four miles of Redwood Creek are bound by a levee system constructed in 1968 by the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), now operated and maintained by the County of Humboldt, that was installed to provide flood protection to the community.
- The levee system has, since its construction, presented long-term management issues and increasingly undesirable conditions near the estuary.
- The Redwood Creek Estuary Collaborative (“COLLABORATIVE”) was initiated in 2018 on the request of landowner representatives in order to identify areas of agreement to achieve resolution of long-term issues of nuisance flooding on County roadways and private agricultural lands and impairments to salmonid habitat, survival and recovery.
- The PARTIES acknowledge their interdependence for finding feasible and effective solutions related to the Redwood Creek estuary and yet intend to seek common ground to develop shared goals under this collaborative.
- This AGREEMENT reflects the intention and commitment of the PARTIES to share information and ideas, understand and respect each PARTY’s interests, and work together to achieve the shared goals described herein.

Purpose and Vision

WHEREAS:

- The PARTIES acknowledge that opportunities exist to achieve the goals of land use operation protections, restoration of estuary function, and improvement in habitat for listed salmonids.
- The PARTIES acknowledge that efforts toward meeting these goals would benefit from collaborative planning, programming, project management, restoration implementation, operations, and maintenance.
- The PARTIES agree that careful consideration is needed to understand where opportunities or trade-offs exist to protect land use operations and recovery of estuary function that meaningfully contributes to salmon and steelhead recovery.

- The PARTIES acknowledge that a design process which includes hydrodynamic modeling and geomorphic assessment would be beneficial for gaining a better understanding of the future conditions associated with the estuary, its levee system, and its habitats.
- The PARTIES acknowledge that both short-term and long-term actions will be considered to address chronic impacts occurring on private land adjacent to the estuary.
- The PARTIES will strive to develop approaches that would meet applicable USACE requirements as needed in order to support any relevant USACE programs.
- The PARTIES acknowledge the shared goal of developing approaches that will be as self-sustaining as possible to minimize future maintenance responsibilities.
- The PARTIES are authorized by various federal and state laws to enter into this Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, the PARTIES agree to the following:

II. AGREEMENT

Article 1. Statement of Goals

- A. The PARTIES have identified a set of common interests including:
 - 1. Ecosystem function
 - 2. Improvement in estuary habitat for the benefit of listed salmonids, eulachon, and other aquatic species
 - 3. Partnership and collaborative process
 - 4. Economic viability and recreational value of the estuary and surrounding lands
 - 5. Public and private land stewardship
 - 6. Permit assistance
 - 7. Elimination and/or reduction of nuisance flooding
- B. The PARTIES agree that they share the mutual overall goals of recovering estuary function to improve habitat for listed salmon and steelhead in the lower Redwood Creek; and protecting or restoring function for lands and infrastructure adjacent to the estuary. To meet these overarching goals, the PARTIES agree to cooperate in investigation and consideration of actions to achieve the following objectives:
 - 1. Recapture mainstem flow into South Slough/the historic mainstem by modifying levees and channel footprint to restore processes that form a deep estuary embayment and keep the mouth of Sand Cache Creek functionally open.
 - 2. Provide habitat through creation of a deep and complex embayment with connected tributaries and sloughs to promote salmon and steelhead recovery;

consider actions such as slow water velocity refuge, plentiful cover and food resources, and passage for salmon and steelhead.

3. Design restoration actions to achieve complex and diverse wetland vegetation and native riparian corridor along the mainstem and tributaries.
4. Design restoration actions that meet goals for land use operations.
5. Design sustainable restoration actions on northern slough channels and Sand Cache Creek to achieve the following:
 - a) Enhance conditions for land use operations and aquatic habitat benefits by improving Sand Cache Creek as a functional tributary to Redwood Creek.
 - b) Restore drainage and aquatic habitat functions of the northern side slough channels and Sand Cache Creek through sediment, driftwood, and invasive vegetation removal.
 - c) Reduce flooding on County roadways; and provide a stream crossing on Hufford Road over Sand Cache Creek.
6. Design sustainable restoration actions in the southern slough channel/historic mainstem and Strawberry Creek to achieve the following:
 - a) Consider levee modifications along the north bank together with modifications of the levee along the south bank in order to fulfill process-based restoration objectives.
 - b) Enhance or maintain conditions for land use operations; and enhance conditions for aquatic habitat benefits by restoring Redwood Creek channel in the historic footprint called south slough channel.
 - c) Restore drainage and aquatic habitat functions of the restored Redwood Creek channel and Strawberry Creek through sediment, driftwood, and invasive vegetation removal.
 - d) Consider the role and configuration of Strawberry Creek and overbank flooding during the design of a restored Redwood Creek channel and reconfigured estuary.
 - e) Investigate appropriate bank protection of the restored Redwood Creek channel to protect agricultural lands bordering on the south.
7. Assess the impacts and benefits of additional levee setback, removal, and/or bank protection alternatives.
8. Design a connection across the current mainstem flow path from the northern levee to the island, at a lower height to reconfigure Redwood Creek flow into a restored mainstem in the south slough channel.
9. Reconfigure current mainstem channel downstream of the current weir to the South Slough to become an overflow channel that also provides aquatic habitat that minimizes fish stranding.

Article 2. Joint Responsibilities

A. All PARTIES agree to undertake the following responsibilities in carrying out the goals of this AGREEMENT:

1. Work collaboratively to meet each PARTY'S interests.
2. Participate in planning and project teams relevant to achieving the goals of this AGREEMENT.
3. Provide support and guidance as necessary for project and program implementation.
4. Understand that this AGREEMENT is not itself a funding document nor does it commit any PARTY to provide funding in any form, nor to transfer goods or services between any of the PARTIES. The PARTIES shall consider ways that their own resources can advance the AGREEMENT's goals.
5. Support the development and implementation of specific plans, programs, and services to achieve the goals of this AGREEMENT.
6. Pursue, where necessary and appropriate further agreements, studies, or authorizations to achieve the goals of this AGREEMENT.
7. Discuss and coordinate the content and timing of external communications of plans or projects developed under this AGREEMENT to enhance accuracy and consistency in content.
8. Provide interdisciplinary perspectives, including but not limited to, the data, skills, expertise, and specialized knowledge of each PARTY's operations, needs, and history.
9. Provide support, advice, and expertise on compliance with federal, state, and local requirements.
10. Work collaboratively with the PARTIES to consider options for restoring the Redwood Creek estuary consistent with all PARTIES' requirements.
11. Share information and ideas to improve understanding and communication amongst the PARTIES.

Article 3. Key Officials and Contact Information

A list of representatives with contact information for each PARTY is provided in Appendix A. Appendix A may be updated periodically if representatives or contact information changes without requiring an amendment of this AGREEMENT.

Article 4. Individual Entity Authorities, Roles and Responsibilities

A. The Hufford Family, in consultation and cooperation with the other PARTIES, shall undertake the following responsibilities in carrying out the objectives of this AGREEMENT:

Authority/Role/Responsibilities: Central and necessary decision-maker for private property

- B. The Zuber Family, in consultation and cooperation with the other PARTIES, shall undertake the following responsibilities in carrying out the objectives of this AGREEMENT:

Authority/Role/Responsibilities: Central and necessary decision-maker for private property

- C. The Yurok Tribe, in consultation and cooperation with the other PARTIES, shall undertake the following responsibilities in carrying out the objectives of this AGREEMENT:

1. Authority/Role: The Yurok Tribe has inhabited the Redwood Creek Estuary area since time immemorial. The Tribe has a cultural obligation to protect and restore all lands and streams within ancestral territories.
2. Responsibilities: The Yurok Tribe will provide assistance in decision making processes and technical expertise to the project. The Tribe will also provide other forms of support when needed.

- D. California Department of Fish and Wildlife, in consultation and cooperation with the other PARTIES, shall undertake the following responsibilities in carrying out the objectives of this AGREEMENT:

1. Authority: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife is the State's trustee for fish and wildlife resources and has jurisdiction over the conservation, protection, and management of fish, wildlife, native plants, and habitat necessary for biologically sustainable populations of those species.
2. Role: Promote the restoration and enhancement of ecosystem processes to support diverse fish, wildlife, and plant resources and habitats.
3. Responsibilities: CDFW will provide technical support and regulatory compliance expertise pursuant to all appropriate sections of California Fish and Game Code (FGC).

- E. California Trout, Inc, in consultation and cooperation with the other PARTIES, shall undertake the following responsibilities in carrying out the objectives of this AGREEMENT:

1. Authority: California Trout's mission is "ensuring healthy waters and resilient wild fish for a better California." As such, California Trout endeavors to work towards process-based ecosystem restoration that reflects community values and interests.

2. Role: Facilitator and point of contact for Redwood Creek Collaborative and Steering Committee. As needed, California Trout can pursue funding opportunities, administer, and implement grants and contracts, and can advocate for legislative options.
 3. Responsibilities: Ensure conservation and protection of natural resources in alignment with California Trout's mission.
- F. County of Humboldt, in consultation and cooperation with the other PARTIES, shall undertake the following responsibilities in carrying out the objectives of this AGREEMENT:
1. Authority: The Humboldt County Board of Supervisors serves as the legislative and executive body of county government and is comprised of five full-time members elected by their respective districts. The Board of Supervisors enacts legislation governing Humboldt County, determines overall policies for County departments, adopts the annual budget, and approves non-standard agreements with federal, state, and local agencies.
 2. Role: Manager and local sponsor of the Redwood Creek Flood Control Project
 3. Responsibilities: The Department of Public Works is responsible for all County operations in connection with drainage and flood control work (Humboldt County Code Section 246-3). Public Works is responsible for ongoing management, operations, and maintenance of the Redwood Creek Flood Control Project. Public Works will develop a staff report and make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors regarding a potential project to modify the Federal Flood Control Project based on considerations of public benefits, public safety, financial impacts, risk and liability, and other factors. PARTIES to this AGREEMENT may make individual and/or joint recommendations to the Board of Supervisors for consideration.
- G. National Park Service, in consultation and cooperation with the other PARTIES, shall undertake the following responsibilities in carrying out the objectives of this AGREEMENT:
1. Authority *54 U.S.C. § 100101* authorizes the NPS to promote and regulate the use of the National Park System by means and measures that conform to the fundamental purpose of the System units, which purpose is to conserve the scenery, natural and historic objects, and wildlife in the System units and to provide for the enjoyment of the scenery, natural and historic objects, and wildlife in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations.
 2. Role: Federal Agency Landowner

3. Responsibilities: Provide support, advice, and expertise on compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act, the Endangered Species Act, the National Historic Preservation Act, and other regulatory and permitting requirements.

H. National Marine Fisheries Service (NOAA Fisheries), in consultation and cooperation with the other PARTIES, shall undertake the following responsibilities in carrying out the objectives of this AGREEMENT:

1. Authority: NOAA Fisheries is responsible for the stewardship of the nation's ocean resources and their habitat. NOAA Fisheries is entering into this agreement pursuant to authorities including the Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. §§ 1531-1544), the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. §§ 1801-1891d), and the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (16 U.S.C. §§ 661-666c). These authorities provide regulatory and program authorities to conserve and recover fishery resources and habitat, including and for ESA-listed species and the habitat and ecosystems upon which these species depend. The project supports high priority recovery actions identified in NOAA Fisheries recovery plans for coho salmon, Chinook salmon, steelhead, and eulachon.
2. Role: Implement agency authorities and programs relating to listed salmonids and eulachon protection, conservation, and recovery.
3. Responsibilities: NOAA Fisheries will provide technical support, ESA guidance, and work collaboratively regarding recovery of ESA listed salmonids and eulachon. NOAA Fisheries participation in this process is dependent on annual Federal appropriations.

I. Northcoast Regional Land Trust (NRLT), in consultation and cooperation with the other PARTIES, shall undertake the following responsibilities in carrying out the objectives of this AGREEMENT:

1. Authority: Necessary decision maker for adjacent private property (which may or may not be part of the project)
2. Role: Supporting organization and owner of the McNamara Dairy property located in the project vicinity. NRLT is a California nonprofit public benefit corporation dedicated to the conservation of northwestern California's wild and working lands.
3. Responsibilities: Upon request and time permitting, NRLT will provide expertise relating to conservation easements that may be considered as part of this project.

J. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), in consultation and cooperation with the other PARTIES, shall undertake the following responsibilities in carrying out the objectives of this AGREEMENT:

1. Authority: USFWS is entering into this agreement pursuant to authority contained in section 1 of the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, 16 U.S.C. 661, and section 7 of the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956, 16 U.S.C. 3771 et seq. This project supports high priority actions identified in the Pacific Southwest Region Coastal Program Strategic Plan by conserving habitat for the benefit of Federal trust species.
2. Role: Implement agency authorities and programs relating to listed species protection, conservation, and recovery.
3. Responsibilities: USFWS will provide technical support, ESA guidance, and work collaboratively regarding high priority actions identified in the Pacific Southwest Region Coastal Program Strategic Plan. USFWS participation in this process is dependent on annual Federal appropriations.

Article 5. Reserved Authorities

- A. The PARTIES acknowledge that this AGREEMENT does not alter the legal authority of the USACE and the County of Humboldt for the management of the Redwood Creek Federal Flood Control Project. Notwithstanding any other provision of this AGREEMENT, the County of Humboldt Board of Supervisors and the USACE together retain the responsibility for decisions regarding potential modifications to the Federal Flood Control Project.
- B. The PARTIES acknowledge that this AGREEMENT does not alter the legal authority of the Hufford Family to manage and authorize restoration activities and other improvements on property owned by the Hufford Family in fee.
- C. The PARTIES acknowledge that this AGREEMENT does not alter the legal authority of the Zuber Family to manage and authorize restoration activities and other improvements on property owned by the Zuber Family in fee.
- D. The PARTIES acknowledge that this AGREEMENT does not alter the legal authority of the National Park Service to manage and authorize restoration activities and other improvements on its property owned in fee.
- E. The PARTIES acknowledge that the AGREEMENT does not alter the legal authority of the State Lands Commission to authorize restoration activities and other improvements on state sovereign lands.

Article 6. Term

- A. This AGREEMENT shall be in effect for ten (10) years from the effective date, unless terminated earlier according to the provisions of Article 6.B below, with the option of a 10-year extension. The PARTIES contemplate a productive, long-term relationship. Therefore, no later than 180 days prior to the end of the term the PARTIES agree to commence discussions regarding an extension of this AGREEMENT.
- B. Any PARTY may terminate their status as a PARTY to this AGREEMENT prior to the termination date by providing at least sixty (60) days written notice to the other PARTIES. If issues arise, the PARTIES will make every effort to address and resolve them in a timely manner to continue the Redwood Creek Estuary Collaborative. If one PARTY terminates their participation in the AGREEMENT, such termination shall have no effect on the party status of any other PARTY in the AGREEMENT.
- C. This AGREEMENT may only be modified in writing with mutual consent and signatures of all PARTIES. Request for modification will be forwarded in writing by one PARTY to the others, enclosing the proposed form of modification, at least sixty (60) days prior to the proposed date of said modification(s).
- D. Nothing in this Article shall restrict the ability of the PARTIES to enter into additional agreements among all or between two or more PARTIES of this AGREEMENT and termination of this AGREEMENT does not terminate additional agreements.

Article 7. Steering Committee Formation and Process

- A. The PARTIES agree to establish a Steering Committee with membership from a majority of the PARTIES. The composition of the Steering Committee is indicated in Appendix A. The purpose of the Steering Committee is to coordinate and manage the proceedings of the COLLABORATIVE; and to develop recommendations to the County of Humboldt and USACE regarding potential modifications to the Federal Flood Control Project.
- B. The PARTIES members in the Steering Committee will discuss and review elements of potential restoration projects. During planning and study efforts, the committee will collaborate on identifying elements of a restoration project design that satisfies each individual PARTIES' objectives and constraints.
- C. The Steering Committee will meet about monthly to develop recommendations through an iterative process designed to meet all PARTIES interests. The Steering Committee discusses and evaluates work performed or proposed under this AGREEMENT, including identification of values and interests, modeling, data analysis, agreement-seeking, proposing use or tracking expenditures of funds for project implementation, and/or progress towards meeting these and/or other goals/objectives.

Article 8. Reports

- A. The PARTIES shall provide for regular updates of progress in keeping minutes and notes of key meetings and agreements.
- B. California Trout will organize the meetings, keep meeting notes and record of key meetings and agreements.
- C. The Collaborative shall provide restoration metrics and summaries of accomplishments on progress towards the AGREEMENT goals on an annual basis. CalTrout will compile the summary into an annual or bi-annual summary.
- D. On an annual basis (from the Effective Date), California Trout will complete a report documenting key accomplishments resulting from this AGREEMENT and provide it to the other PARTIES.
- E. Reports shall provide for a mechanism to be inclusive with sharing information to Parties outside this AGREEMENT.
- F. Any reports, emails and documents that are shared with the Federal agencies (USFWS, NPS, and NMFS), may be subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Similarly, documents and email created or received by the County of Humboldt or the California Department of Fish and Wildlife may be subject to the California Public Records Act.

Article 9. Property Utilization and Disposition

- A. The PARTIES may, as is advantageous and necessary to achieve the goals and objectives of this AGREEMENT, provide access to property and facilities insofar as landowner policies and directives allow such use, and insofar as consistent with public agencies' authorities and scope of legal discretion.
- B. Access to private property provided under subpart A may be terminated at any time. PARTIES will not be liable for any alleged or actual damages resulting from such termination.
- C. All property supplied for the purposes of this AGREEMENT by any Party to this AGREEMENT will remain the property of that Party.
- D. Terms and Conditions related to the access to and use of each PARTY's property, equipment, and facilities shall be detailed separately by the PARTIES seeking and approving access. Any PARTIES' access to private property is at the PARTIES' own risk and each non-Federal agency PARTY may be required to indemnify private landowners from claims arising from their access.

Article 10. Non-Discrimination and Compliance with Applicable Laws

All activities pursuant to this Agreement shall be in compliance with the requirements of Executive Order 11246, as amended; Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, (78 Stat. 252; 42 U.S.C. §§2000d et seq.); Title V, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, (87 Stat. 394; 29 U.S.C. §794); the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (89 Stat. 728; 42 U.S.C. §§6101 et seq.); and with all other federal laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination on grounds of race, color, sexual orientation, national origin, disabilities, religion, age, or sex, as applicable.

This Agreement shall be construed consistent with all applicable laws, and activities undertaken in connection with this Agreement, and shall be undertaken in a manner consistent with all otherwise-applicable laws.

This Agreement is a voluntary initiative. It does not create any legally binding rights or obligations and creates no legally cognizable or enforceable rights or remedies, legal or equitable, in any forum whatsoever. In addition, the pledges in this Agreement are not conditioned upon reciprocal actions by other Parties; each Party retains full discretion over implementation of its pledges in light of the Party's individual circumstances, laws, and policies; and each Party is free to withdraw from the Agreement upon sixty (60) days written notice as discussed in Article 6.B.

Article 11. Anti-Deficiency

This Agreement does not involve the exchange of funds, nor does it represent any obligation of funds by any Party. All costs that may arise from activities covered by, mentioned in, or pursuant to this Agreement will be assumed by the Party that incurs them, unless otherwise expressly agreed in a future written arrangement in accordance with applicable laws. All activities undertaken pursuant to this Agreement are subject to the availability of funds, personnel and other resources of each Party.

Article 12. Lobbying Prohibition

All activities pursuant to this Agreement shall be in compliance with the requirements of 18 U.S.C. §1913, Lobbying with Appropriated Moneys, as amended by Public Law 107-273, Nov. 2, 2002 or the related restrictions on the use of appropriated funds found in Div. F, § 402 of the Omnibus Appropriations Act of 2008 (P.L. 110-161).

Article 13. Agency

Each PARTY shall perform its obligations described herein independently. Each PARTY shall be solely responsible for the acts and omissions of its officers, agents, employees, contractors, and subcontractors, if any.

Article 14. Partial Invalidity

If any term, covenant, condition, or provision of this AGREEMENT be held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void, or unenforceable, it shall be severable from this AGREEMENT and the remaining terms, covenants, conditions, and/or provisions shall remain in full force and effect and shall in no way be affected, impaired, or invalidated thereby.

Article 15. No Employment Relationship

This AGREEMENT is not intended to and shall not be construed to create an employment relationship between PARTIES to the AGREEMENT or their representatives. No representative of the PARTIES shall perform any function or make any decision properly reserved by law or policy to the Federal government.

The personnel designated by a Party for the implementation of this Agreement will work under the orders and responsibility of that Party and any other organization or institution to which the personnel already belongs, at all times maintaining any preexisting employment relationship only with that Party and organization or institution, and not with any other Party.

Article 16. No Third-Party Rights

This AGREEMENT does not create any enforceable obligations between the PARTIES. It is not intended, nor shall it be construed to create any right of enforcement by or any duties or obligation in favor of persons or entities not a party to this Agreement.

Article 17. Agency Authorities

None of the provisions of this Agreement requires any action or decision by a government agency PARTY that is contrary to its legal authorities, nor will the terms of this Agreement be construed to limit the scope of agency discretion provided by law. This Agreement does not by its own terms commit or bind any Federal agency to authorize, fund, or carry out any particular Federal action as defined by the Endangered Species Act or the National Environmental Policy Act.

Article 18. Interpretation

This AGREEMENT, as well as its individual provisions, shall be deemed to have been prepared equally by each of the PARTIES hereto, and shall not be construed or interpreted more favorably for one or more PARTIES on the basis that one or more PARTIES prepared the AGREEMENT.

Article 19. Sovereign Immunity

Nothing in this Agreement shall be interpreted or construed to waive the sovereign immunity of the Yurok Tribe or officials or employees thereof acting in their official or individual capacities.

Article 20. Counterpart Execution

This AGREEMENT, and any amendments hereto, may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original and all of which, when taken together, shall be deemed to be one and the same agreement. This AGREEMENT, and any amendments hereto, may be signed by manual or electronic signatures in accordance with any and all applicable local, state and federal laws, regulations and standards, and such signatures shall constitute original signatures for all purposes.

Article 21. Approval Signatures

This AGREEMENT is effective as of the date of the final signature below:



Gregory Hufford, PE
Landowner Representative

3/4/24


Date



Marla Zuber Mora
Zuber Family Landowner Representative

4/15/24

Date



Joseph L. James
Chairman, Yurok Tribe

4/16/24

Date

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Tina Bartlett
Northern Region Regional Manager, California Department of Fish and Wildlife

4/24/2024

Date



Curtis Knight
Executive Director, California Trout, Inc

4/26/2024

Date

Rex Bohn
Chair, Board of Supervisors, County of Humboldt

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Regional Director, National Park Service, Interior Regions 8, 9, 10, 12

Date

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Regional Administrator, National Marine Fisheries Service, West Coast Region

Date

Dan Ehresman
Executive Director, Northcoast Regional Land Trust

Date

Paul Souza
Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Southwest Region

Date

Appendix A - Key Officials and Contact Info:

Redwood Creek Estuary Steering Committee members are essential to ensure coordination and communication between the parties and the work being performed. Contact information for Collaborative members who are not represented on the Steering Committee is included at the end of the list. The list is in alphabetical order within the groups: private landowners, tribal representation, and agency/organization representation respectively:

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