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August 3, 2010

Honorable Janet Wolf, Chair
Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
105 E. Anapamu Street, Fourth Floor
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Re: Proposed Amendments to the Coastal Land Use and Development Code.

Dear Honorable Supervisors:

South Coast Habitat Restoration would like to thank you for your decision to continue your discussions on the Coastal Commission's proposed amendments to the Land Use Development Code. This is an extremely important matter which will undoubtedly affect various aspects of how the County operates as well as the livelihood of many in the County.

In addition to the previously submitted comments by SCHR (letter dated July 1, 2010), we would like to share information with you on how the proposed amendments have not been presented to organizations which will be affected by them. We refer to the fact that some organizations which work on environmental restoration projects have not heard of the proposed changes until we contacted them. For example, Channel Islands Restoration, a non-profit organization we partner with on habitat restoration projects just heard about the proposed Coastal Commission amendments on Friday July 30, 2010. After speaking with them on a separate matter I asked them their opinion on the proposed changes and they were unaware of them.

We feel this directly points to the lack of public process by which the proposed amendments have gone forward. Had there been a series of well publicized public workshops, we feel the process would have greatly benefitted all involved and in the end would have provided for opportunity to provide comments and ask questions regarding the proposed amendments.

We respectfully request that you consider the above as you move forward with this process.

Sincerely,

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