

January 14, 2020

Dianne Einstein, President Marin State Parks Association P.O. Box 1400 Novato. CA 94948

Dear Ms. Einstein:

The Marin Conservation League (MCL) is concerned and disappointed the Marin State Parks Association's (MSPA) cooperative agreement was not renewed, and has now been terminated. The work the organization has done since its founding in the 1980's has been very beneficial to the programs and facilities of the smaller state parks located in Marin County. The work accomplished at Samuel P. Taylor has been for and at the request of Rangers assigned to that park. The Environmental Living Programs at Tomales Bay State Park were facilitated by MSPA funding, even providing scholarships for teachers.

We laud the work done by the volunteers on the MSPA board over the years. The efforts of MSPA to coordinate the needs of the parks, volunteers and staff have been exemplary. It would be damaging for our parks to not have the source of funding, attention and support of Marin State Parks Association.

Marin Conservation League initially provided support for the preservation of both Tomales Bay State Park and Samuel P. Taylor State Park before they became state parks. MCL provided some funding for the acquisition of Tomales Bay State Park. MCL is very interested in the long term preservation of these parks and feels it is essential that MSPA continues to provide support and enhancement for state parks in Marin.

Marin Conservation League supports the reinstatement of Marin State Parks Association as a State Park Cooperating organization

Yours truly,

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