## Midcoast Community Council P.O. Box 64 Moss Beach, CA 94038

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Ms. Mary Burns, Director
Parks and Recreation Division
County of San Mateo Environmental Services Agency
455 County Center, 4th Floor
Redwood City, CA 94063

Dear Ms. Burns,

The MidCoast Community Council very much appreciates the time and effort of Sam Herzberg in visiting our Parks and Recreation Committee on February 5 and our regular MidCoast Community Council meeting on February 14. Mr. Herzberg presented the County's response to public comments on the Fitzgerald Marine Reserve Draft Master Plan, explained the significant changes in the Addendum and answered questions from Council members and the public. We would like to thank Mr. Herzberg for his cooperation in making these revisions known to the community.

After reviewing the Addendum, we would like to congratulate San Mateo County Parks and Recreation Division on a thorough response with careful attention the diverse comment submitted. The revised Master Plan has significant improvements, including the table showing all agencies that have some level of jurisdiction over the Reserve and their appropriate roles and responsibilities.

Many community members also appreciate the changes to the specific language in the Master Plan that provide guidance, rather than more absolute statements, regarding the level of visitors and appropriate fishing activities within the Reserve. Futher study seems appropriate to ensure that the marine resources are protected without being put completely off limits.

We look forward to working cooperatively with your Division on other projects affecting the MidCoast, particularly the current Parks and Recreation Needs Assessment.

Sincerely yours,

Laura Stein, Chair MidCoast Community Council

cc: Sam Herzberg Supervisor Richard Gordon