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Dear Mr. Domurat:

I would like to express my full support for the inclusion of the San Mateo County portions of the Santa Cruz littoral cell in the Coastal Regional Sediment Management Plan (CRSMP) process proposed for Northern Monterey Bay.

It is my understanding that the Coastal Sediment Management Workgroup has identified the Santa Cruz littoral cell as a priority area for completion of a CRSMP and is planning to include only portions of the Santa Cruz cell that border Santa Cruz County, instead of the whole cell, which stretches north to Pillar Point in San Mateo County.

While I do understand the difficulties raised by having a regional governance cross county lines, I also believe it is important to include San Mateo County because the section would provide information about threatened structures and areas of importance, known sediment sources with relatively straightforward management solutions, and a higher level of local interest and participation.

It is particularly important to include threatened areas in San Mateo County, such as around Pillar Point Harbor where water quality, excessive silting of the inner harbor and beach erosion are cause for growing alarm.

Inclusion of the San Mateo County portions of the Santa Cruz littoral cell is vital to a solution for the sediment management problems that occur throughout the Santa Cruz cell. It would also enhance the validity of a regional governance plan coordinating various independent agencies. The self-evident connectivity of beachfront issues along the Santa Cruz littoral cell makes it clear that San Mateo County should be included in this plan.

I hope you will consider my recommendation and I look forward to your response. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

  
Don Horsley, Vice-President  
San Mateo County Board of Supervisors



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