

Martha Poyatos, Executive Officer

San Mateo LAFCo

455 County Center, 2nd Fl.

(Received via e-mail May 16, 2013)

Redwood City, CA 94063

Martha,

After attending the Granada Sanitary District Meeting on April 18th and presenting my concerns to the GSD board of directors about eminent domain if they become a Community Services District. Their President (Leonard Woren) assured me that they would only purchase property from willing sellers.

One of their board members (Ric Lohman) attended the Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting on May 13th and the question was raised by the Ag Committee about eminent domain and he also stated that they would only purchase property from willing sellers. The Agricultural Committee is also concerned about park lands adjacent to agricultural lands and the problems that could arise; like what is happening now on farm lands that were sold by POST to Ag operators with POST trails going through the Ag land.

I would like to see the Granada Sanitary District enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the San Mateo County Farm Bureau that the proposed Granada Community Services District will only purchase agricultural property (PAD lands) from willing sellers and that in the event that they put park land next to agricultural land that a proper buffer zone be implemented to protect the agricultural operation from any park activities, this would include trails, picnic areas or any other activity that could be detrimental to agricultural.

Thank you

Louie Figone

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Half Moon Bay, CA 94019

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San Mateo County Harbor District

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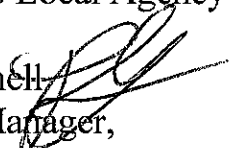
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MEMORANDUM

May 14, 2013

TO: Martha Poyatos
Executive Officer,
San Mateo Local Agency Formation Commission

FROM: Peter Grenell 
General Manager,
San Mateo County Harbor District

SUBJECT: Comments regarding LAFCo File 13-05: Proposed Reorganization of
Granada Sanitary District into Granada Community Services District

CC: Board Of Harbor Commissioners
Jean B. Savaree, District General Counsel

Following are comments regarding the application of the Granada Sanitary District to reorganize into a Granada Community Services District.

1. The map of the proposed new Granada Community Services District (GCSD) shown in Proposal Exhibit A overlaps and includes area and properties owned, administered, or otherwise the responsibility of the San Mateo County Harbor District (SMCHD). The GCSD boundary should be redrawn to be outside of and exclude area and properties owned, administered, or otherwise the responsibility of the Harbor District.
2. SMCHD's area and properties include the following parcels: AP 047-390-020, 047-390-030, 047-083, 047-252-380, 047-252-370, 047-252-350, 047-252-340, 047,263,010, 047,261-030, 047-313-030, and 047-313-040 (see attached map).



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3. The Midcoast Park & Recreation Governance Alternatives Study notes that: “Both the Cortese Knox Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act and San Mateo LAFCo policies discourage....overlapping public service responsibilities”.
4. The GCSD proposal highlights a perceived need for “community and neighborhood parks and recreation services and opportunities”. The proposal makes no mention of SMCHD in its proposed plan for providing such services and opportunities.
5. The Governance Alternatives Study also notes that Pillar Point Harbor, owned and operated by the Harbor District, is a regional facility that attracts non-local visitors and also helps satisfy local demand for passive recreation such as beach combing, picnicking and hiking.”
6. The San Mateo County Midcoast Local Coastal Program (LCP) Update include a policy statement to: “Encourage the San Mateo County Harbor District to continue its efforts developing and maintaining public shoreline access on the District’s coastal properties;” and to “...continue its efforts providing public recreation and visitor-serving facilities on the District’s coastal properties, including provision of shoreline access and trails.”
7. SMCHD was created in 1933 by the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors, which by resolution called for a special election to form the Harbor District as a County-wide agency with jurisdiction coterminous with the County boundaries. It initially began planning for a new harbor in Redwood City. SMCHD currently operates Pillar Point Harbor and Oyster Point Marina/Park in the City of South San Francisco. It is also exploring the potential for SMCHD to work with the County Office of Emergency Services (OES), local Bayside municipalities, the Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA), and the Coast Guard on provision of water-based emergency preparedness and response facilities, a possibility noted in LAFCo’s municipal services review of SMCHD. From time to time SMCHD has been approached by various communities or community groups regarding



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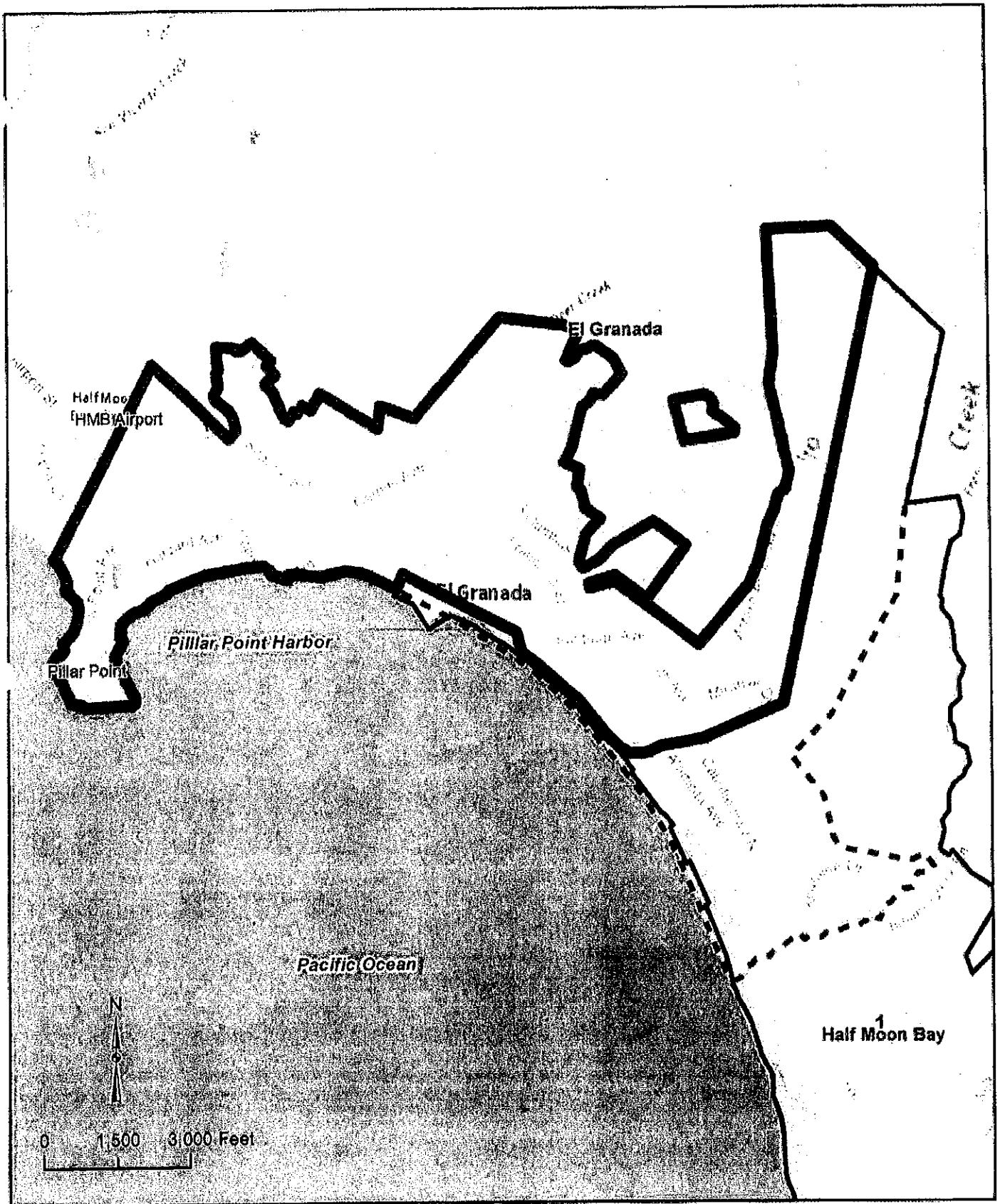
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possible SMCHD involvement in harbor development, operations, or related activities. Most recently SMCHD was approached by tenants of Pete's Harbor in Redwood City regarding potential for participation in harbor operations there.

8. The California Legislature, by Chapter 68 of the Statutes of 1960, granted to SMCHD a tidelands grant for navigation, commerce and fisheries and for structures and facilities for public recreational purposes (see attachments).
9. SMCHD holds an active Permit (No. SPCPIL-2-92-0002 between SMCHD and the U. S. Air Force for the right to use part of a government road situated on Pillar Point Air Force Station. This road, which also traverses SMCHD property, enables public shoreline access from SMCHD's vehicle parking lot adjacent to the County's Pillar Point Marsh to the so-called Mavericks Beach at the base of the west arm of the federal (outer) breakwater protecting Pillar Point Harbor.
10. To conclude, the GCSD boundary in the map of the proposed new Granada Community Services District (GCSD) shown in Proposal Exhibit A should be redrawn to render the area of the proposed new CSD to be outside of and not overlapping any area and properties owned, administered, or otherwise the responsibility of the Harbor District. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions or desire additional information.



Legend

-  City of Half Moon Bay
-  District Boundary (Proposed)
-  Parks & Rec Boundary (Proposed)

Granada Sanitary District Reorganization - MND Proposed Project

Figure 3



STATUTES OF CALIFORNIA

CHAPTER 68

An act to convey certain tide and submerged lands to the San Mateo County Harbor District, in furtherance of navigation, commerce, and fisheries upon certain trusts and conditions, and providing for the government, management, use, and control thereof.

In effect
July 7, 1960

[Approved by Governor May 2, 1960. Filed with
Secretary of State May 3, 1960.]

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

San Mateo
County
Harbor
District:
Grant of
Tidelands

SECTION 1. There is hereby granted to the San Mateo County Harbor District, hereinafter called "district," a political subdivision of the State of California, and to its successors, all the right, title and interest now held by the State of California by virtue of its sovereignty, in and to all tidelands

and submerged lands of the northerly portion of Half Moon Bay, whether filled or unfilled, situated and lying within boundaries described as follows:

- Beginning at a point on the intersection of the 1959 Ordinary High Water Mark of Halfmoon Bay as surveyed by the State Lands Division with a line parallel to and 80 feet westerly (measured at right angles) of the center line of the West Breakwater of Halfmoon Bay, as said center line is shown upon the U.S. Corps of Engineers drawing No. 15-55-3, Sheet 1 of 1, entitled "Halfmoon Bay, Harbor Improvements, Land for Breakwaters", dated 16 December 1958; said point of beginning is further described as bearing S. 44° 29' 10" E., 1,371.40 feet and N. 83° 17' 21" W., 95.07 feet from California State Lands Commission Triangulation Station "Pillar Point 2, 1959"; thence from said point of beginning S. 26° 00' E., 6,634.95 feet and N. 57° 00' E., 8,717.62 feet to a point on the 1959 Ordinary High Water Mark of Halfmoon Bay, being S. 48° 51' 58" E., 4,706.45 feet from Station 0+00 of the East Breakwater of Halfmoon Bay as shown upon the aforementioned U.S. Corps of Engineers drawing No. 15-55-3, and being S. 36° 30' 36" E., 1,442.91 feet from California State Lands Commission Triangulation Station "Miramar 2, 1959"; thence along said 1959 Ordinary High Water Mark in a northerly and westerly direction to the point of beginning. Containing 1,235 acres more or less.

Bearings and distances used are grid, and conform to the California Coordinate System, Zone 3.

To be forever held by said district, and its successors, in trust for the uses and purposes and upon the express conditions following, to wit:

- (a) That said lands shall be used by said district, and its successors, only for the establishment, improvement and conduct of a harbor, including any marine airport or marine aviation facilities, and for the construction, maintenance and operation thereon of wharves, docks, piers, slips, quays and other utilities, structures, facilities and appliances necessary or convenient for the promotion and accommodation of commerce and navigation, and for the construction, maintenance and operation thereon of structures and facilities for public recreational purposes, and said district, or its successors, shall not at any time, grant, convey, give or alien said lands, or any part thereof, to any individual, firm or corporation for any purposes whatsoever; provided, that said district, or its successors, may grant franchises thereon for limited periods (but in no event exceeding 50 years), for wharves and other public uses and purposes and may lease said lands, or any part thereof, for limited periods (but in no event exceeding 50 years), for purposes consistent with the trust upon which said lands are held by the State of California, and with the requirements of commerce and navigation at said harbor, and collect and retain rents from such franchises, leases and privileges, including, without prejudice to leases made prior to the

Powers

effective date of this act pursuant to completed applications pending before the State Lands Commission on or before March 15, 1960, those certain leases:

- (1) Between the State of California and Henry Doelger Builder, Inc., dated May 13, 1947, (P.R.C. 184.1),
- (2) Between the State of California and Henry Doelger Builder, Inc., dated May 13, 1947, (P.R.C. 325.1),
- (3) Between the State of California and Princeton Properties, Inc., dated March 4, 1947, (P.R.C. 242.1),
- (4) Between the State of California and The Romeo Company, dated November 5, 1949, (P.R.C. 720.1).

(b) That said lands shall be improved by said district within 10 years of the effective date of this act without expense to the State, and shall always remain available for public use for all purposes of commerce and navigation, and the State of California shall have at all times the right to use, without charge, all wharves, docks, piers, slips, quays, and other improvements and facilities constructed on said lands, or any part thereof, for any vessel or other watercraft, owned or operated by the State of California. If the State Lands Commission determines that the district has failed during said 10-year period to improve said lands as herein required, all right, title, and interest of said district in and to all lands granted by this act shall cease and said lands shall revert and vest in the State.

(c) That in the management, conduct or operation of said harbor, or of any of the utilities, structures, appliances or facilities mentioned in paragraph (a), no discrimination in rates, tolls, or charges or in facilities for any use or service in connection therewith shall ever be made, authorized or permitted by said district or its successors.

(d) There is hereby reserved, however, in the people of the State of California the absolute right to fish in the waters of said harbor with the right of convenient access to said waters over said lands for said purposes together with the right of navigation.

(e) There is hereby excepted and reserved to the State of California all deposits of minerals, including oil and gas, in said land, and to the State of California, or persons authorized by the State of California, the right to prospect for, mine and remove such deposits from said land.

(f) The lands herein described are granted subject to the express reservation and condition that the State may at any time in the future use said lands or any portion thereof for highway purposes, without compensation to the district, its successors or assigns, or any person, firm or public or private corporation claiming under it, except that in the event improvements have been placed upon the property taken by the State for said purposes, compensation shall be made to the person entitled thereto for the value of his interest in the improvements taken or the damages to such interest.

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Sec. 2. The State Lands Commission shall, at the cost of the grantee, survey, monument, plat, and record in the Office of the County Recorder of San Mateo County, the area of state lands described in this act. Said district shall enter into a contract with the State Lands Commission for surveying, monumenting and platting the area of state lands described in this act, and shall, upon submission of invoices by the State Lands Commission, pay said costs. Survey, etc.

Sec. 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are severable. Severability of provisions

Sec. 4. Nothing contained in this act shall preclude the district from accepting and retaining any grant of funds from the State made available for the purpose of aiding in the development of said lands for any public purpose not inconsistent with the promotion and accommodation of commerce and navigation. Development for other purposes

CHAPTER 69

An act authorizing the Division of Beaches and Parks to exchange property belonging to the State for property belonging to the City of Capitola, declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

[Approved by Governor May 2, 1960. Filed with Secretary of State May 3, 1960.]

In effect immediately

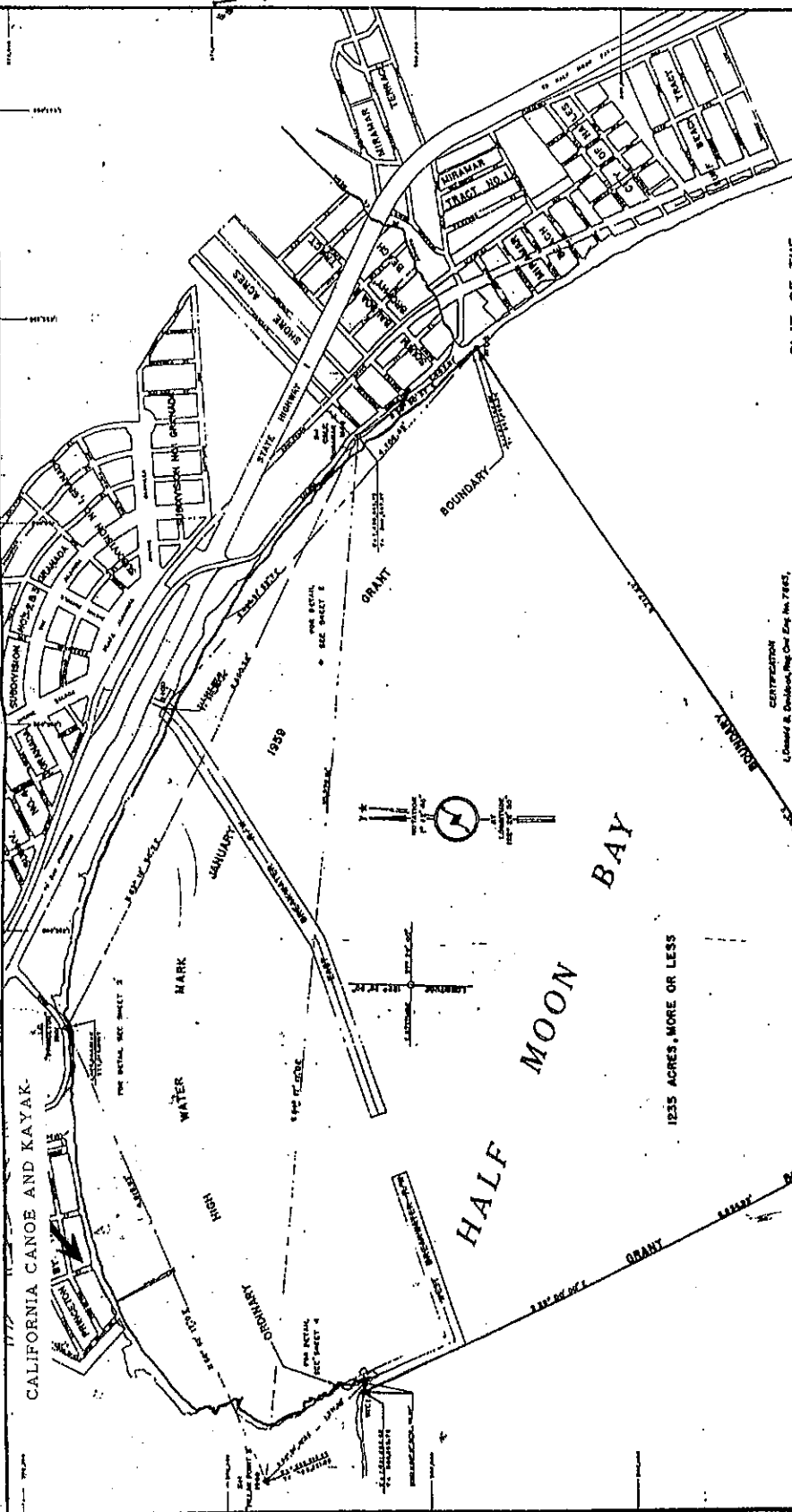
The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. The Division of Beaches and Parks of the State Department of Natural Resources is authorized to convey to the City of Capitola all right, title and interest of the State in and to certain parcels of land located in the Rio Del Mar Section of Seacliff State Park, in exchange for and upon there being conveyed to the State by the City of Capitola all right, title and interest of the City of Capitola in property belonging to that city, known as the Saba property, located at the corners of Esplanade and Monterey Streets in that city.

The state lands authorized to be conveyed by this act are more particularly described as follows:

All that real property in the County of Santa Cruz, State of California, described as follows:

Lots 28, 29, 30 and 31, in Block 94, as numbered and designated upon the map entitled, "Subdivision No. 8, Aptos Beach Country Club Properties, Aptos, Santa Cruz County, California," filed September 20th, 1928, in Volume 24 of Maps, Page 29, Records of Santa Cruz County.



PLAT OF THE
GRANT TO THE
SAN MATEO COUNTY HARBOR DISTRICT
CHAPTER 68, STATUTES OF 1960
VICINITY OF HALF MOON BAY
SAN MATEO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

SCALE: 1 INCH = 600 FEET
SHEET 1 OF 4 SEPTEMBER, 1960
R. S. BATHURST JR., CIVIL ENGINEER, REGISTERED CIVIL ENGINEER
C. S. BATHURST, ASSOCIATE CIVIL ENGINEER

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
STATE LANDS COMMISSION STATE LANDS DIVISION

CERTIFICATION
I, David L. Doolittle, being duly sworn, depose and say that the foregoing plat of the grant to the San Mateo County Harbor District, in the vicinity of Half Moon Bay, San Mateo County, California, is a true and correct copy of the original plat on file in the office of the State Lands Commission, and that the same was prepared under my supervision and that all measurements shown on the same were made by me or by a duly qualified and licensed surveyor, and that the same are correct and true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

David L. Doolittle
Civil Engineer, State Lands Division

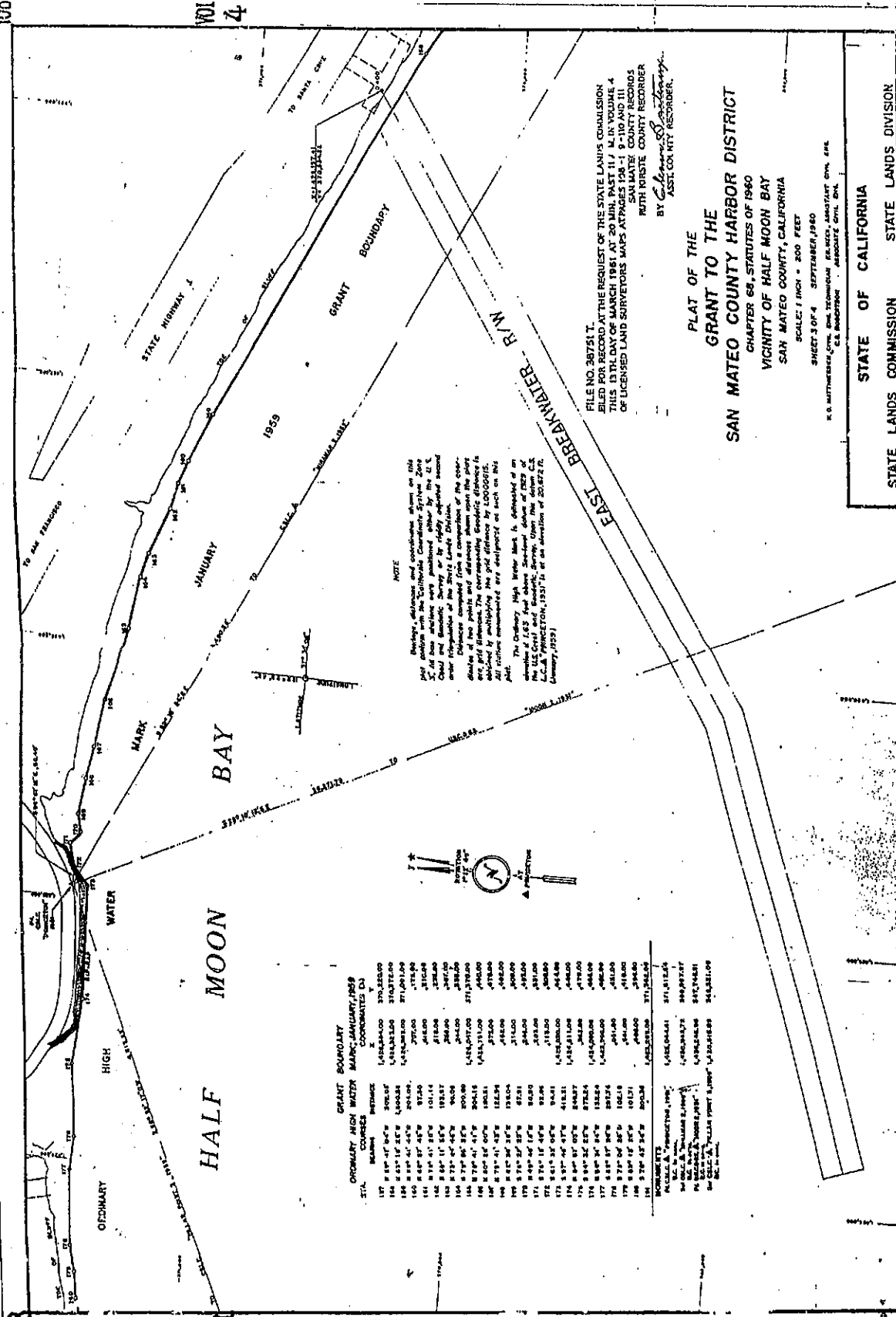
Approved: *R. March 1961*
STATE LANDS COMMISSION
By: *J. H. Heston*
Deputy Attorney General

NOTE
Any party claiming an interest in the land shown on this plat is hereby notified that the same is being offered for sale by the State Lands Commission, and that the same will be sold to the highest bidder at a public auction to be held at the State Lands Commission, San Francisco, California, on the 15th day of September, 1960, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. The State Lands Commission reserves the right to reject any bid or bids and to sell the land in such manner as it may deem proper.

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WITH KATIE COUNTY RECORDER
BY *Charles S. Salas*
ASST. COUNTY RECORDER.

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October 15, 2013

Local Agency Formation Commission
4554 County Center, 2nd Floor
Redwood City, CA 94063
ATTN: Martha Poyatos, Executive Officer

RE: Comments on Proposed Reorganization of Granada Sanitary District

To whom it may concern:

I am writing you on behalf of the San Mateo County Resource Conservation District (RCD) regarding the proposed reorganization of Granada Sanitary District (GSD) into Granada Community Services District to provide parks and recreation services in El Granada, Princeton, and Miramar pursuant to the discussion on this topic at the August 15, 2013 meeting of the RCD Board of Directors with Martha Poyatos (LAFCO), Leonard Woren (GSD), Gael Erickson (GSD), and Lisa Ketcham (Midcoast Community Council) in attendance.

Division 9 of the California Public Resource Code authorizes resource conservation districts to be formed for the purpose of addressing local resource conservation needs "to secure the adoption of conservation practices including but not limited to farm, range, open space, urban development, wildlife, recreation, watershed, water quality, and woodland, best adapted to save the basic resources, soil, water, and air of the state from unreasonable and economically preventable waste and destruction." The districts are authorized to work with the consent of the owner of public or private lands to conduct work for watershed restoration and enhancement and are enabled to conduct operations on public lands with the cooperation of the agency administering and having jurisdiction thereof.

San Mateo County's RCD was formed in 1939, the first of 99 that now provide comprehensive resource conservation services on public and private lands across the state. The RCD's boundaries include approximately 245 square miles generally in the western half of the county from the San Francisco-San Mateo County boundary to the Santa Cruz-San Mateo County boundary. The RCD collaborates with landowners and managers, technical advisors, area jurisdictions, government agencies, and others to protect, conserve and restore natural resources in coastal San Mateo County and includes all watersheds draining into the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary.

Recognizing LAFCO's jurisdiction over the boundaries and organization of special districts and pursuant to the discussion with GSD representatives at the August meeting of the RCD Board of Directors, the RCD would like to offer three primary comments on GSD's proposal for reorganization:

1. There is no apparent plan or budget for resource management or conservation practices outside of standard maintenance activities. Resource management may be necessary or desirable to protect or enhance ecosystem function and wildlife habitat, reduce erosion, manage stormwater and runoff, protect or enhance water quality, minimize the risk of catastrophic fire,

plan for and adapt to climate change, and otherwise protect or improve soil, water, air, wildlife, and other watershed resources. It should also be noted that the potential addition of recreational trails and the impacts of recreational use may require mitigation to protect and enhance habitats and other valuable natural resources.

2. As the special district in this geographic area with expertise and responsibilities for resource conservation and a staff of resource professionals on hand, we recommend that GSD enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the RCD to contract with the RCD to collaboratively identify and develop beneficial projects on lands (trails, parks, etc.) acquired or operated by GSD and to contract with the RCD to conduct resource management work in an ongoing fashion. We recommend that such an MOU be a LAFCo condition of approval if the reorganization is approved.
3. We further recommend that GSD enter into an MOU with the RCD to offset any financial impacts to the RCD from reductions in property taxes due to GSD acquisitions or activities, and that this be a LAFCo condition of approval if the reorganization is approved. The RCD was formed prior to implementation of Proposition 13 and receives approximately 0.0475 of the 1% property tax, \$58,717 in the 2012/2013 fiscal year. Any lands that are eligible for reduced or lowered property taxes further erode this limited operating base.

The RCD accomplishes all of its resource protection work in partnership with others. We appreciate the productive partnership we have had with GSD over the years and look forward to expanding that collaboration as GSD pursues reorganization.

Sincerely,



Kellyx Nelson
Executive Director

Cc: Chuck Duffy, Granada Sanitary District
Leonard Woren, Granada Sanitary District
Lisa Ketcham, Midcoast Community Council
Supervisor Don Horsley, San Mateo County



The Burnham Strip Committee

of Midcoast Park Lands

P.O. Box 1754 El Granada, CA 94018

Our mission is to help preserve the historic Burnham Strip in El Granada as a community park and open space for present and future generations.

November 11, 2013

Ms. Martha Poyatos
Executive Officer
San Mateo County LAFCo
455 County Center -2nd Floor
Redwood City, CA 94063-1663

Re: Support for Granada Sanitary District Application for Reorganization to a Community Services District

Dear Ms. Poyatos and Honorable Commissioners:

The Burnham Strip Committee strongly supports the reorganization of the Granada Sanitary District (GSD) into a Community Services District (CSD) and urges LAFCo to approve sending the proposal to a public vote.

Our Community Plan of 1978, as approved by the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors, reflects the vision of Granada as originally designed includes numerous community parks.

We believe the reorganization of GSD to a CSD is the only logical and is the least expensive means of finally gaining the parks and recreational services necessary for a thriving, happy, healthy community. This is not a luxury, it is an urgent need and is long overdue.

Thank you for your careful consideration.
Sincerely,

Leni Schultz and Fran Pollard, Co Chairs Burnham Strip Committee





Midcoast Park Lands
PO Box 1754
El Granada CA 94018

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October 16, 2013

Ms. Martha Poyatos
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RE: Support for Granada Sanitary District Application for Park Powers as a
Community Services District

Dear Ms. Poyatos:

The Board of Directors of Midcoast Park Lands, which established Quarry Park, strongly supports the reorganization of the Granada Sanitary District into a Community Services District (CSD) with park and recreation powers. The County's Recreational Needs reports in 2002 and 2007 both concluded that the Midcoast lacks sufficient park and recreational services. The proposed CSD would provide an effective local resource for Midcoast parks and recreation. It would be able to work effectively with other parks and recreation providers and provide funding to support neighborhood parks development and recreation services.

We urge you support the reorganization of the Granada Sanitary District into a CSD. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Len Erickson
Vice-President Development/Secretary



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Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District

GENERAL MANAGER
Stephen E. Abbors

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July 1, 2013

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RE: Granada Sanitary District Application for Park Powers as a Community Services District

Dear Ms. Poyatos:

We wholly support the application from the Granada Sanitary District (GSD) to acquire Park Powers through a Community Services District. Numerous County studies have reported the need for additional parks and recreational facilities on the Coastside.

The Granada Sanitary District, as a local agency with an elected Board of Directors, can help fulfill that need. GSD already owns acres of land in the Burnham Strip and can coordinate efforts to restore and beautify traffic medians throughout El Granada.

Since the Coastside is a recreational area for the entire county, this will benefit all citizens of San Mateo County.

The MROSD understands, but would like to confirm and maintain and keep current our understanding, should this change, that the Granada Sanitary / Community Services District would not be adding any new taxes, charges or fees in association with this reorganization. According to the application, the plan is to re-direct the existing property tax monies currently going to the Granada Sanitary District for this newly expanded purpose. If there is any other additional proposal, e.g. competition for property taxes, in the longer-term plans, we would very much like to be apprised of that and involved in discussions of how that might play out.

Thank you for consulting with us on this. We look forward to working with you collaboratively on increasing the level of open space and recreational options available to the region. Please add our voice to other Districts and Agencies that support this application.

Sincerely,

Jed Cyr, President

Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District, Board of Directors

cc: MROSD Board of Directors
Stephen E. Abbors, General Manager



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The MROSD understands, but would like to confirm and maintain and keep current our understanding, should this change, that the Granada Sanitary / Community Services District would not be adding any new taxes, charges or fees in association with this reorganization. According to the application, the plan is to re-direct the existing property tax monies currently going to the Granada Sanitary District for this newly expanded purpose. If there is any other additional proposal, e.g. competition for property taxes, in the longer-term plans, we would very much like to be apprised of that and involved in discussions of how that might play out.

Thank you for consulting with us on this. We look forward to working with you collaboratively on increasing the level of open space and recreational options available to the region. Please add our voice to other Districts and Agencies that support this application.

Sincerely,

Jed Cyr, President

Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District, Board of Directors

cc: MROSD Board of Directors
Stephen E. Abbors, General Manager

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Ms. Martha Poyatos, Executive Officer
San Mateo County LAFCO
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(via email)

Subject: **Granada Sanitary District Application for Park Powers as
Community Services District**

Dear Ms. Poyatos:

The Midcoast Community Council (MCC) wholly supports the application from the Granada Sanitary District (GSD) to acquire park powers through a Community Services District (CSD).

Numerous County studies have determined the need for community parks and recreational facilities on the Coastside. GSD, as a local agency with an elected Board of Directors, staff, and economic base, can help fill that need. Adding park and recreation powers to GSD aligns with LAFCO's stated goal of encouraging multi-purpose districts.

GSD already owns acres of land in the Burnham Strip and can coordinate efforts to restore and beautify traffic medians throughout El Granada. The CSD could partner with the County for additional services at Quarry Park and/or Mirada Surf. Potentially, the CSD might be able to assist with maintenance of the El Granada School playing field.

Please add the MCC to the other districts and agencies that support this application.

Sincerely,

s/Laura Stein, Chair
Midcoast Community Council