



July 24, 2019

Wildlife Conservation Board
ATTN: 2019 Public Access PSN
PO Box 944209
Sacramento, CA 94244-2090

Dear Wildlife Conservation Board,

I write this letter to express support for Friends of the San Pablo Bay National Wildlife Refuge's application for a grant from the Wildlife Conservation Board. This shade structure to be funded by the grant will benefit Sonoma Land Trust's Bay Camp program, which is a bilingual Spanish/English summer day camp that offers children environmental education and recreation opportunities along the restored tidal marshes of the Bayshore of Sonoma County, at the San Pablo Bay National Wildlife Refuge.

The Baylands are a great place for the children to explore and observe wildlife, yet the natural landscape provides very little in the way of shade. To keep the children protected from the sun during the heat of the summer days, this shade structure will be of immense benefit. The views from the planned location are fantastic, and it will be a great addition to our ability to support the children being close to nature and in view of wildlife.

Thank you for considering funding Friends of the San Pablo Bay National Wildlife Refuge's application.

Sincerely,

Dave Koehler
Executive Director
Sonoma Land Trust