

## GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

April 18, 2008

Mr. Steve Thompson Regional Director California-Nevada Regional Office United States Fish and Wildlife Service 2800 Cottage Way, W-2606 Sacramento, California 95825

Subject: Agency Designations for National Coastal Wetlands Conservation Grant Applications

Dear Mr. Thompson,

I am designating the following State of California agencies as eligible to apply for National Coastal Wetlands Conservation grants and any future such grants from the United States Department of the Interior:

State Coastal Conservancy Wildlife Conservation Board Rivers and Mountains Conservancy California Conservation Corps California Resources Agency Department of Fish and Game Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy San Diego River Conservancy California Coastal Commission

These agencies work with other federal, state and local government agencies and nonprofit organizations to preserve, protect and restore California's unique and abundant natural resources. Over the past several decades, these agencies have helped to complete hundreds of coastal wetlands and fisheries restoration projects.

Thank you for offering the State of California the opportunity to apply for grants through this program.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger

cc: Ms. Carrie Thompson, Habitat Restoration Division