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David Hogan
Director
The Chaparral Lands Conservancy
P.O. Box 141
Mount Laguna, CA 91948

Dear Mr. Hogan:

I write you today in support of a grant application by The Chaparral Lands Conservancy (TCLC) to the California State Parks Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division (OHMVRD) for four local habitat restoration projects: Dennery Canyon Uplands Habitat Restoration Project; Otay Mesa Vernal Pool & Uplands Habitat Restoration Project; Proctor Valley Vernal Pool & Uplands Habitat Restoration Project; and Proctor Valley Vehicle Barriers Project.

I understand that the unifying purpose of these projects is to repair past damage from off-road vehicles to sensitive habitats, endangered species, and watershed values. As such, these projects would significantly advance both the statewide goals of the OHMVRD to restore areas damaged by off-road vehicles as well as regional goals to protect sensitive habitats, wildlife, and plants under the San Diego Multiple Species Conservation Plan. The projects would also support the goals of multiple resource agencies and private property owners to protect and restore their properties.

On behalf of my constituents, I support these projects and TCLC's grant application to the OHMVRD. The projects include important measures to educate and engage the public and help ensure long-term success including fencing, signing, nature walks, and volunteer work parties. It would bring our community great pride to have our precious habitats restored for current and future generations.

If there is any way we may assist in bringing this project to fruition, please contact me or my District Director, Francine Maigue, at (619) 338-8090 or francine.maigue@asm.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

LORENA GONZALEZ
Assemblywoman 80th District