

Project: Humboldt Lagoons State Park/Save-the-Redwoods League/Broussard Property

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Approving Board: Public Works Board

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Anticipated approval date: May 9, 2008

Actual Acquisition date: Pending

This notice relates to a possible authorization from the State Public Works Board to acquire an approx. 40 acre parcel as an addition to the Humboldt Lagoons State Park. Humboldt Lagoons State Park, with this addition, is important for the protection of the State's coastal and wildlife habitats.

Bond selection providing funding: Public Resources Code Section 75063(a).

The proposed acquisition would be funded by the allocation provided in Section 75063 and satisfies the criteria of PRC Section 75063, subsection (a)(3) as the property would contribute to the protection of important, representative natural resources of the Lagoon from development that would interfere with the existing habitat, watershed and water quality. The acquisition would also benefit the existing state park (criteria Section 75063(a)(1)) by protecting the watershed of existing park land.

Fulfillment of PRC section 75071:

This project is being undertaken for its potential for enhancement of the characteristics outlined in PRC Code Section 75071 (a) and (b). The property is located in Humboldt County and situated between Humboldt Lagoons State Park and Redwood National Park. Acquisition of this property is a priority because it will:

- (a) Link and contribute to linking existing protected habitat areas.* Purchase of this property for transfer to California State Parks will further connect Humboldt Lagoons State Park to Redwood National Park and consolidate the borders of each
- (b) Contribute to the long-term protection and enhancement of the watershed for Freshwater Lagoon.* This property sits on a steep and hillside overlooking Freshwater Lagoon and the Pacific Ocean. Since any development will undoubtedly increase the sediment loading in the Lagoon, the acquisition would increase watershed protection for Freshwater Lagoon, which is listed as a high priority for coho salmon in the Department of Fish and Game Commission's Recovery Strategy for California Coho Salmon, 2004.