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## Ten Partnerships Signed to Support State Parks

California State Parks has finalized 10 matching fund partnership agreements to keep 11 State Parks open and operating for the next two years. The agreements are made possible by the AB 1478 Match Program, which appropriated \$10 million back to the department to be used for matching funds in donor and operating agreements.

“State Parks’ partners and supporters are our strongest allies, and we thank their commitment to helping us to continue to serve the people of California and parks visitors by providing them with the best experience possible,” said Major General Anthony L. Jackson, Director of California State Parks. “We are encouraged by the positive outcome of these negotiations, and with the collaborative efforts of all parties involved to support parks across the state.”

The 10 agreements for the 11 parks are as follows:

<b><u>Partner</u></b>	<b><u>Unit</u></b>	<b><u>Donation/Match</u></b>
Coe Park Preservation fund	Henry Coe SP	\$279,000
Friends of China Camp	China Camp SP Tomales Bay SP Olompali SHP	\$1,044,361
Committee to Reopen Mitchell Caverns	Providence Mt. SP	\$10,000
Friends of Antelope Valley Indian Museum	Antelope Valley Indian Museum	\$84,575
Save Saddleback Fund	Saddleback Butte SP	\$20,000
Shasta Historical Society	Shasta SHP	\$82,500

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Golden Gate National Park Conservancy	Samuel P. Taylor SP	\$475,000
Friends of Santa Cruz State Parks	Santa Cruz Mission SHP	\$45,939
Malakoff Diggins Interpretive Assoc.	Malakoff Diggins SHP	\$22,000
Town of Shasta Interpretive Assoc.	Shasta SHP	\$12,000
	<b><u>Total 11 Units</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,075,375</u></b>

Key: SP – State Park  
SHP – State Historic Park

Through AB 1478, the parks that were on the original list for closure receive priority for matching funds. Director Jackson noted the plan to close the 70 parks is in the past, saying: “If a future budget situation should require a reduction plan, I assure all that we will develop a new plan in an open and transparent fashion. The 70 park closure plan is not our plan for moving forward.”

In addition to the above, 10 more agreements are pending and could be finalized soon.

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