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Ms. Kim Cordell, Director
The Laguna de Santa Rosa Foundation
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Dear Ms. Cordell,

I am writing this letter in support of the Coordinated Resource Management Planning (CRMP) process proposed by the Laguna de Santa Rosa Foundation.

The CRMP process is an appropriate means for addressing the many issues facing the lands and resources of the Laguna de Santa Rosa. The process convenes individuals representing a diversity of groups and interests, and is locally driven. The ability of the CRMP process to build on common concerns ensures an efficient, effective long term plan for a resource which is key to the health of the Sonoma County environment and economy.

In developing our Russian River Resource Enhancement and Public Access Plan, we have found that regular advisory meetings including representatives from public agencies, agriculture, landowner groups, business interests and environmental groups pave the way for greater understanding and resolution of the issues.

It is imperative that this type of broad based planning process be utilized for the Laguna de Santa Rosa. Difficult issues will be addressed in a pro-active manner by all individuals affected. Coordinated Resource Management Planning may provide the additional benefit of attracting Federal funding for implementation of plan concepts.

The Laguna de Santa Rosa Foundation has many years of experience dealing with complex resource management issues in the Laguna, and has devoted hundreds of volunteer hours to enhancing the resource for all of its users - humans and wildlife. The Foundation is the most appropriate group to coordinate the CRMP process.

Sincerely,

Karen Gaffney
Environmental Projects Manager

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environmental and human resources . . ."*