

April 27, 2006

Secretary Mike Chrisman  
California Resources Agency  
1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1311  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**Re: Comments on Coastal Impact Assistance Program (CIAP) Draft Guidelines**

Dear Mr. Chrisman,

Staff has reviewed the Draft Coastal Impact Assistance Program (CIAP) Draft Guidelines and find the procedures and authorized use of funds for the program will remain substantially the same as the previous CIAP. We are in support of this approach. We strongly support retention of section 4.1. (5) Onshore Infrastructure Projects. Funding under the previous CIAP has allowed our County to make significant strides towards energy conservation and alternative energy resources. In addition, significant progress has been made in identifying the County's wetlands resources for future conservation and protection.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (805) 654-2465, [Nancy.Settle@ventura.org](mailto:Nancy.Settle@ventura.org), or Lorraine Rubin, Grants Program Coordinator, at (805) 654-2466, [Lorraine.Rubin@ventura.org](mailto:Lorraine.Rubin@ventura.org), if you need further information or have any questions. Thank you for apprising us of the deadline for response on the Draft Guidelines. We look forward to working with you and Chris Potter on this program.

Sincerely,

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