



Protecting the lands of the San Mateo County Coast

2021 Annual Report



*Long-tailed weasel
photo: Donna Pomeroy*

From the Executive Director

Acquisitions Report

Coastside Land Trust brought in three major properties on the ocean bluffs. The pictures on this page show views of the properties. Even though donated, these properties had significant costs associated with the property transfer and legal costs. Donations to our acquisition program make this possible. We graciously thank these donors.



Jo Chamberlain



From the President

The Coastside Land Trust continues to have wonderful support from our donors allowing us to increase the amount of protected land to 431 parcels. These parcels provide a healthy open space experience for all of our community members and many visitors. Some enjoy walking, running, bird watching, biking, or just being able to rest their eyes on the distant horizon. We are so lucky to live in such a beautiful and unique place.

Each of these parcels must be monitored every year and an extensive report written that details the animals and plants present and any changes in the properties. We are fortunate to have a team of Stewardship Advisory Committee members who monitor and write reports for all of our properties every year. These reports are vital to tracking the health of the habitat, visitor use and conditions of each property.

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Barbara Lohman

Social Media Report 2021

■ *Kate Dickey, Social Media Manager*



It has been another year of rich community learning for the Coastside Land Trust community and friends through our CLT Free Community Webinar Series. We have had fascinating, and well established presenters joining us each month to share in a collective community education program, educating all of us about our local ecosystem—from a variety of vantage points.

Pelican, photo: Alvaro Jaramillo

January: Kim Young of Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation discussed the biology, behaviors and migratory patterns of the Monarch butterfly, sharing strategies to help mitigate the decline of the Western Monarch.

February: Año Nuevo Reserve Director Patrick W. Robinson led us on a virtual tour of the reserve while it was still closed to the public (due to COVID-19 restrictions). This included an introduction to the site, a walk through the colony, show-and-tell of the electronic tags, and a summary of research being done.

March: Aimee Murillo, Interpretive Park Ranger at Lava Beds National Monument, talked about how she examines wildlife through the understanding of tracks and scat.

April: Dr. Gary Griggs, Distinguished Professor of Earth and Planetary Sciences at the University of California Santa Cruz, discussed the geological evolution of the Santa Cruz/San Mateo Coast, including tectonic history, geological evolution as recorded in the rocks and fossils of the region, and hazards presented by our geological setting.

May: Jasmine Standez of the Youth Climate Ambassadors Leadership Program shared the details of her carbon sequestration project at Wavecrest Open Space.

June: local meteorology expert Jan Null delighted us with an exploration into many of the San Mateo Coast's weather phenomena.

August: the renowned international bird guide Alvaro Jaramillo returned to share a great deal about our local raptor population, living at the Wavecrest Open Space.

September: Dave Revell, coastal geomorphologist, discussed sea level rise as it relates to the the San Mateo Coast—examining risk, adaptation strategies and tradeoffs, and the work being done by the San Mateo Resource Conservation District and Integral Consulting.

October: Nat Goodby of Bat Conservation International explored the ecology of bats in California, emphasizing bats of the San Mateo coastal region, and the vital niche they fill.

November: Zara McDonald, Founder of Felidae Conservation Fund, presented the wildcats of coastal San Mateo, discussing the impacts of habitat fragmentation, and current research and conservation efforts.

Finally, in December we all came together in celebration for the “Coastside Land Trust in Review,” celebrating our shared properties and accomplishments of this year.

Please take a peek at the “Upcoming Webinars” in the News and Events section of our website to see what is happening in 2022. <https://www.coastsidelandtrust.org/webinars> You can also view the recordings of all of these presentations in the past webinars section of our website, as well. <https://www.coastsidelandtrust.org/past-webinars>



November Wildcats of Coastal San Mateo, Mountain Lion, photo: Boone Smith

Junior Land Stewards 2021/2022

■ *Haley Peterson, Junior Land Stewards Program Manager*

The 2021/22 school year brought JLSP back into the classroom and out into the field at both Alvin Hatch Elementary and El Granada Elementary. The 4th graders at these coastside schools accomplished so much...

■ Invasive plant identification and removal...



■ California endemic plants grown from seed...

■ 6 habitat restoration gardens completed with over 350 native plants...



- 2000+ nature journals entries from field observations and science labs...
- Hiked over 40 miles collectively...
- 4 field trips led by 36 Half Moon Bay High School field guides from the Environmental AP and Agricultural Programs...

The Junior Land Stewards developed understanding and skills to teach others about our local open spaces and continue to care for the environment around them.



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COASTSIDE LAND TRUST
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 2021

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$1,182,492 |
| Grants and contributions receivable | 4,306 |
| ERTC receivable | 55,933 |
| Merchandise inventory | 179 |
| Prepaid expenses | 7,191 |

TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS 1,250,101

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|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Security deposits | 1,380 |
| Certificates of deposit | 75,744 |
| Property and equipment, net | 7,487,263 |

TOTAL ASSETS \$8,814,488

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Current Liabilities

| | |
|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | 17,025 |
|---------------------------------------|--------|

TOTAL LIABILITIES 17,025

COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

NET ASSETS

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|---------------------------|-----------|
| Without donor restriction | |
| General fund | 547,521 |
| Board designated | 252,077 |
| With donor restriction | 7,997,865 |

TOTAL NET ASSETS 8,797,463

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS \$8,814,488



How You Can Help Preserve Open Space

Donation of Land: Since CLT is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, the full market value of any land donated may be tax deductible.

Bargain Sale of Land: Sell your property to CLT for less than its fair market value (FMV). This provides you with cash, helps decrease capital gains tax, and may entitle you to an income tax deduction based on the difference between the land's FMV and its sale price.

Stock and Real Estate Gifts: By donating appreciated assets, you can make a lasting contribution, while potentially receiving tax deductions and savings.

Bequest: Make a planned gift naming CLT as a beneficiary of your will or trust.

Charitable Trust: By contributing your appreciated assets to a Charitable Trust, you obtain a tax deduction as part of the market value, no tax on any assets sold in the Charitable Trust (except to the extent the gain is withdrawn), and receive all the income for the life of the trust. At death, the remainder of the assets would pass to CLT.

IRA: If you are over 70 1/2, you can reduce the taxable amount of your Individual Retirement Account (IRA) annual Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) in years where required by donating part of it directly to CLT from your IRA. This Qualified Charitable Deduction (QCD) can reduce your Adjusted Gross Income (AGI). Reducing your AGI could then increase your other personal deductions, versus taking the RMD first into your AGI, then donating it. The annual limit for a QCD is \$100,000.

Matching Gifts: Many companies will double (and sometimes triple) the value of their employees' gifts. To see if your company participates, contact your Human Resources Department.

Sustainer: Become a CLT Sustainer and donate monthly, quarterly, or biannually via credit card or through a bank. To sign up, please contact us. Please consider donations of \$20, \$50, (\$83 per month makes \$1,000 annual donation easy), \$100 or more.

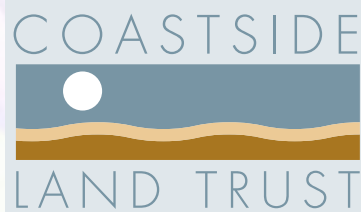
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Vehicle Donation: It's easy. We have a contract with Charitable Auto Resources. They do everything, including pick up the vehicle and handle the paperwork. You can arrange a pickup through our website.

Volunteer: Last year our dedicated volunteers donated hundreds of hours planning and running events, supporting administrative operations, restoring protected land, fundraising and much more.

*The Coastside Land Trust is a
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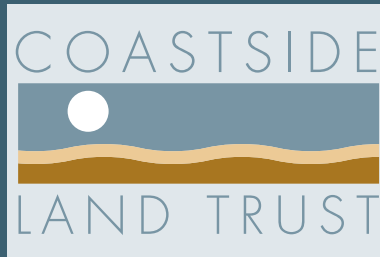
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Wavecrest Trail, photo: Eric Rutledge



Coastside Land Trust is dedicated to the preservation, protection and enhancement of the open space environment including the natural, scenic, recreational, cultural, historical, and agricultural resources of Half Moon Bay and the San Mateo County coast for present and future generations.



Bluff Lettuce, photo: Barbara Dye



Lindley's Varied Lupin, photo: Barbara Dye