



December 29, 1999

Bill Ambrosi Smith
City of Half Moon Bay
Planning Department
City Hall
501 Main Street
Half Moon Bay, Calif. 94019

*Re: Pillar Point RV facility
City Council agenda item for January 4, 2000*

Dear Mr. Ambrosi Smith:

As manager of the California Coastal Commission's statewide public access program, I am writing to support the City staff's recommendation for protecting public use at the RV facility in Pillar Point Harbor. The two issues, protection of day use parking and limiting RV parking to a maximum of 30 days stay in one year, are consistent with the Coastal Act policies to protect and protect public access for the general public.

We have been contacted by members of the general public who have been concerned about this area, in particular about the need to protect the day use parking area. This area has long been used by the general public and serves to support general public use of the Surfer's Beach area. Additional demand for this day use lot will be generated in the near future as Caltrans will be completing a link in the Coastside Trail at Surfer's Beach. Therefore, there is a continuing need to provide day use parking in this area.

In summary, the staff of the California Coastal Commission supports your staff's recommendation and urge the Council to protect this public use area for day use parking and limited RV parking.

Sincerely,

Linda Locklin


Manager, Coastal Access Program

Cc: Chris Kern, North Coast