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# Foothills Forever Campaign

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### San Marcos Foothills West Mesa Purchase and Preservation

### **SAN MARCOS FOOTHILLS**

le are working on purchase of the San Marcos Foothills West Mesa which is a privately-owned 101-acre property next to the County-owned San Marcos Foothills Preserve. The San Marcos Foothills Preserve is a 200-acre nature preserve managed by the County Parks Department. Habitat restoration on the Preserve is directed by Channel Islands Restoration, Inc. ("CIR") (https://cirweb.org/grassland-restoration).

### PLANNED DEVELOPMENT

The West Mesa property is in Santa Barbara, accessed by "the bridge to nowhere" over the Chumash Highway (Hwy 154), at the north end of Via Gaitero Road. The owners are currently in the process of securing final County approval to build 8 new homes, guest houses, and associated development and landscaping.

### **AGREEMENT TO BUY THE PROPERTY**

We have an agreement with the owners to purchase the property for \$18 million and protect it forever. This is less than its market value. We need to raise \$20 million to cover the cost of acquisition plus the costs of the campaign and an endowment for maintenance and management of the property.

### **OUR VISION**

Our vision is to permanently protect and preserve the 101-acre property and add it to the 200-acre San Marcos Foothills Preserve. Channel Islands Restoration, Inc. ("CIR") and conservation partners in Santa Barbara intend to purchase the property and protect it as a nature preserve forever. We envision managing the property in concert with the existing Preserve, inviting people to walk and



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### WHAT'S NEXT

Foothills Forever Fund, a fiscal sponsorship fund at the Santa Barbara Foundation is collecting tax- deductible donations from the community. The vision is to purchase the property, place a permanent restriction on the deed that prohibits development, establish an interest-bearing endowment that will fund long-term habitat restoration and management, and then convey title of the property to Santa Barbara County or another appropriate entity. The property will be managed as part of the San Marcos Foothills Preserve.

### WHY BUY THE 101-ACRE SAN MARCOS FOOTHILLS WEST MESA PROPERTY?

1. Help Create 300 Acres of Contiguous
Wildlife Habitat. The San Marcos Foothills
are home to wild animals including hawks,
kites, owls, kestrels, songbirds, coyotes,
bobcats, deer, and many others. Many
native birds and other wildlife utilize
this grassland. The San Marcos Foothills
are recognized as being important
grassland habitat in Santa Barbara



and Goleta. Buying the West Mesa will expand the existing San Marcos Foothills Preserve, preserve the native grasslands in perpetuity, and allow restoration to improve its wildlife habitat values.

- Honor Chumash Heritage. Enable future Chumash stewardship, ritual and ceremony on this property.
- Maintain Open Space. The foothills are an open space buffer that is visible from throughout Santa Barbara and Goleta. The West Mesa provides a beautiful visual backdrop for Santa Barbara at the base of the Santa Ynez Mountains.
- Provide Environmental Education
   Opportunities. Public access to this land will allow children and adults to explore and learn in nature close to home.
- Protect the Trail Experience of walking in nature.

# A Legacy of Protection & Preservation

1960: Shoreline Park



1996: The Douglas Preserve



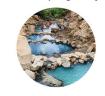
1998: Carpinteria Bluffs



2005: Sperling Preserve



2012: Hot Springs Canyon



2015: Veronica Meadows



Continue the Legacy
2021: San Marcos
Foothills West Mesa



#### **CONTRIBUTE**

To make a tax-deductible contribution to the Foothills Forever Fund, a fiscal sponsorship fund at the Santa Barbara Foundation:

**Checks** payable to: *Santa Barbara Foundation*, with *Foothills Forever Fund* in the memo line. Mail to: Santa Barbara Foundation, 1111 Chapala St #200, Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Donate on-line at FoothillsForever.org

**To donate gifts of stock or other assets**, please contact the Santa Barbara Foundation staff for further details:

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## FOOTHILLS FOREVER



# San Marcos Foothills West Mesa Naming Opportunity

s the Foothills Forever campaign enters the final days of its 90-day effort to permanently preserve 101 acres of the West Mesa of the San Marcos Foothills as community open space, a once in a lifetime opportunity to name the West Mesa is available now.

We are working to raise the \$18.6 million needed by June 1st to purchase the land from the developer and pay initial campaign and closing costs. This will prevent the possibility of imminent development.\*

We are offering the opportunity for a donor to attach a family name or other appropriate place name to the iconic West Mesa forever by committing to a \$5 million pledge for the final amount needed to protect the land from development. The campaign, with the community's support, would commit to closing the remaining \$4.5 million gap between the donor's pledge and the current amount of funding raised. We expect that the community will positively respond to knowing that the final \$5 million is already pledged and quickly fill the intermediate need.

This opportunity to preserve the San Marcos Foothills continues Santa Barbara's legacy of permanently saving threatened open space lands for the community's use. The Douglas Family Preserve, Carpinteria Bluffs, Sperling Preserve at Ellwood, Veronica Meadows and many of the open spaces important to our community are testimony to the vision and commitment of Santa Barbara's philanthropic community.

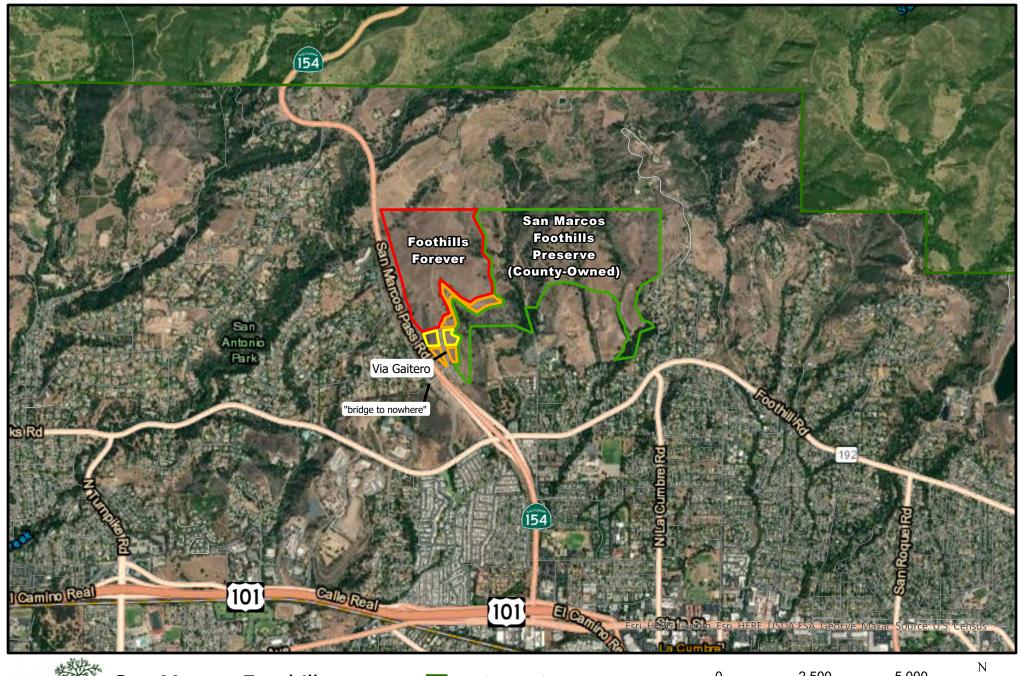
**To act on this opportunity or get more information**, please contact Peter Schuyler at (805) 450-2613 or Nancy Weiss at (805) 895-9211. Additional information on the campaign can be found at **foothillsforever.org** 



<sup>\*</sup> Following the June 2nd date, a second smaller phase of the campaign with a two-year timeframe will raise an endowment, pay final campaign expenses and retire a long-term bridge loan.

### Foothills Forever Fund

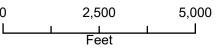
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San Marcos Foothills

Los Padres National Forest
San Marcos Foothills Preserve (200 acres)
SB County Parks
SB Soaring Association
Foothills Forever (101 acres)







### **Donate by Check:**

If you would like to make a contribution by check, please send to the address below and include "Foothills Forever Fund" in the memo line

Foothills Forever Funds c/o Santa Barbara Foundation, 1111 Chapala St, ste. 200 Santa Barbara, CA 93101

### **Donate on line:**

You can contribute on line at the <u>Santa Barbara Foundation</u> (https://www.sbfoundation.org/give-now/foothills-forever)

If you <u>prefer paypal you can donate here</u> (or link from the homepage at <a href="http://FoothillsForever.org">http://FoothillsForever.org</a>

### **Donation of stock/securities gifts**

To make a gift of stock/securities, please contact the Santa Barbara Foundation staff for further details:

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If you would still like to make your commitment in the form of a pledge, please contact Mary Rose, Campaign Director at <a href="mailto:info@foothillsforever.org">info@foothillsforever.org</a> or 805-448-0663.



## Cash Wire Transfer Instructions for the Santa Barbara Foundation

The following directions are necessary for making cash wire transfers to the Santa Barbara Foundation.

Wire instructions into Montecito Bank and Trust

Wire instructions must include the following: All amounts must be in US \$\$.

Routing ABA#: 122234783 Account Name: Santa Barbara

Foundation Account #: 192087651

Please Reference: Foothills Forever Fund

To: Montecito Bank & Trust 1000 State Street Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Note: Please notify Andrea Light, Interim Investment Manager,

when a wire in or ACH is initiated.

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# IRREVOCABLE PLEDGE AGREEMENT SAN MARCOS FOOTHILLS WEST MESA ACQUISITION

THIS IRREVOCABLE PLEDGE AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is made as of , 2021, by and between (the "Pledgor")
BACKGROUND
This Agreement is being provided in connection with CIR's campaign to preserve for the public in perpetuity that portion of land identified on the Final Map 14,585 as Lots 1-5 and 12-14, more commonly known as the West Mesa of the San Marcos Foothills (the " <i>Property</i> "). Under the terms of that certain Conditional Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release, dated March 4, 2021, between CIR and Save San Marcos Foothills, as Petitioner, and Santa Barbara Preserve, LLC, Chadmar Santa Barbara Preserve, LLC, and Santa Barbara Foothills, LLC, as owner (the " <i>Settlement Agreement</i> "), CIR has the option to purchase the Property for a sum certain, paid in three tranches. The first and second tranche payments may be satisfied, in part, by the written binding pledge agreements of qualified donors.
AGREEMENT
NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual covenants contained in this Agreement, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt, adequacy and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Pledgor and CIR agree as follows:
1. Pledge. Pledgor understands and agrees that CIR intends to rely on this Agreement and the amounts pledged pursuant hereto for the acquisition of the Property. Such reliance will be to the material detriment of CIR absent the enforcement of this Agreement and the pledge set forth herein. Pledgor understands that CIR is a tax-exempt corporation under Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code, and that the pledge set forth herein constitutes a "charitable donation" under that Section. Such "charitable donation" is made for good and valuable consideration, of benefit to Pledgor, and is intended to induce reliance and action on the part of CIR. It is the express agreement and intention of the parties hereto that this Agreement and the pledge set forth herein be enforceable at law and in equity and is supported by due consideration.
Pledgor hereby irrevocably pledges and agrees to pay to CIR the sum of \$\\

Pledgor intends that this Agreement shall create obligations that are binding and enforceable against Pledgor and his heirs, successors, trustees, assigns and estate. Pledgor covenants and agrees that the Pledge constitutes an enforceable obligation of Pledgor and will be fulfilled.

### DONOR PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION BELOW:

☐ <u>Non-Refundable</u> . The Pledge to CIR and is non-refundable.	becomes the sole and exclusive property of CIR upon delivery
	OR
sufficient to purchase the Property ( as is identified in the Settlement Agr Price is not received in accordance v preserved using Pledgor's funds, P	dge is given conditioned upon CIR successfully raising funds the " <i>Purchase Price</i> ") within such time and on such schedule reement, or as may otherwise be accomplished. If the Purchase with the Settlement Agreement or the Property not acquired or ledgor has the right to reimbursement in full, less costs and e parties to the Settlement Agreement alter the terms of the
to and held in escrow by First Ame fund the acquisition of the Prope acquisition fails to close on or befor acquisition, or is cancelled for any exclusive of costs and fees, within	CIR and, at their election, presented to developer or delivered crican Title Company, as escrow agent, and disbursed only to erty in accordance with the Settlement Agreement. If the re June 2, 2021, or any such extended date for the close of the reason whatsoever, the Pledge will be returned to Pledgor, in a commercially reasonable time. The Pledge will not be unless Pledgor waives in writing any right to a refund of the
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, executed as of the day and year first	, the Pledgor and CIR have caused this Agreement to be above written.
	<u>PLEDGOR</u> :
	By:
Please return form to:  Foothills Forever Fund	Print Name:
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