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DALEY RANCH CONSERVATION BANK CREDITS PURCHASE APPLICATION

PURCHASER:				
Name (print):				
Contact Person:				
Address:				
City/State/Zip:				
City/State/Zip:				
Email:				
Signature:				
SITE INFORMATION:				
Property Address:				
Assessor's Parcel Number(s):				
Cizo:				
Public Agency Requiring Mitigation:				
File Number:				
NUMBER AND TYPE OF CREDITS REQUEST	ED:			
CREDIT TYPE		NUMBER	LOCATION OF PROJECT	
Chaparral / Coastal Sage Scrub			Escondido	
Coast Live Oak Woodland			Unincorporated County	
Englemann Oak Woodland			Other Municipality	
Non-Native Grassland				
Water – Dependent Habitat				
Total				
Has this project been approved by: Local Jurisdiction (Name):				
CA Dept. of Fish & Game:				
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service:				
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:				
BRIEF PROJECT DESCRIPTION:				
COMMENTS:				

REQUESTS TO PURCHASE CREDITS FROM THE DALEY RANCH CONSERVATION BANK

Credit sales are governed by Section 4 of the Conservation Bank Implementation Agreement for the Daley Ranch Conservation Bank, dated January 23, 1997. An <u>Information Packet</u> provides answers to the most frequently asked questions. The City Council has adopted a sales price for each type of credit (<u>see brochure</u>). The minimum transaction is \$1,000, regardless of the number of credits purchased.

Special Considerations

Water Dependent Habitat credits are reserved for City Capital Improvement Projects, unless authorized by the City Council.

Water Dependent Habitat credits are generally not suitable as the total mitigation for wetland impacts, since the credits are for **preserved** habitat, not created or enhanced wetlands, and hence would not meet the federal "no net loss" policy. Additionally, these credits may not satisfy mitigation requirements triggered by an ACOE permit, since no wetland delineation was done for Daley Ranch.

Non-native grassland sales are reserved for development projects within the City. Projects outside the City may be able to substitute CSS credits for Non-native Grassland mitigation as a higher value habitat type, subject to approval of the local jurisdiction.

Coastal Sage Scrub credits are **not** considered occupied by the California gnatcatcher.

Purchasers are encouraged to contact the local jurisdiction, California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG), U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), and Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) if appropriate, to verify that the requested credits will be acceptable mitigation for the purchaser's intended project.

The City does not "reserve" credits for private development projects.

Procedures

- Full price purchases are processed administratively by the Planning Division upon submittal of a
 complete <u>Application Form</u>. The City Council shall consider all requests to purchase for less than
 the asking price; for example, requests to purchase a large number of credits at a reduced rate
 may be considered. Staff monitors the availability of remaining credits and provides periodic
 reports to the City Council.
- Staff prepares the <u>Purchase Agreement</u> and provides two copies to the applicant. A copy of the sample agreement is attached. The applicant executes two notarized copies of the purchase agreement, and submits both to the Planning Division for signature by the City Attorney and Director of Community Development along with full payment. Checks are made payable to the City of Escondido.
- 3. When the signed agreements and payment have been submitted, and upon request, the City will prepare a letter to the applicant or agency documenting the transaction. One signed agreement is mailed to the applicant and the other original is forwarded to the City Clerk for retention.
- 4. The City maintains a ledger and provides annual notification to CDFG and USFWS regarding all purchase transactions.