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**Subject: Proposal for *Acmispon prostratus* and Rare Dune Plant Restoration**

Dear Proposal Review Committee:

I am writing this letter to express my full support of the project proposed by Nature Collective to restore 16.9 acres of rare dune habitat in addition to implementing conservation efforts for Nuttall's acmispon (*Acmispon prostratus*).

The *Acmispon prostratus* and Rare Dune Plant Restoration Project (Project) will introduce, maintain, and expand Nuttall's acmispon occurrences by creating a comprehensive dune plant community to attract shared species-specific pollinators. Selected sites are at San Elijo Lagoon Ecological Reserve, Batiquitos Lagoon Ecological Reserve, and Cardiff Living Shoreline. By focusing this project on not just one species but an entire community of rare and common pollinator attractive plants, *Acmispon prostratus* is more likely to be sustainable, successfully pollinated, and produce viable seed. Restoration activities for this project will include seed collection, invasive species treatments, outplanting and seeding, and monitoring.

Please contact Tim Dillingham at (858) 354-9915 or [Tim.Dillingham@wildlife.ca.gov](mailto:Tim.Dillingham@wildlife.ca.gov) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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