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Water Quality Control Board



Leslie Ferguson c/o SF Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board 1515 Clay St, Suite 1400 Oakland, CA 94612

Re: Marin Conservation League Annual Environmental Awards

Dear Leslie:

On behalf of the Marin Conservation League's Board of Directors, **I'd like to congratulate you for being selected by the Board to receive Marin Conservation League's Ted Wellman Award for 2018**. The Ted Wellman Award is presented annually to honor the high standard that Ted Wellman, former President of MCL, set in working to preserve and protect water resources in Marin County and throughout the state. Previous recipients of this award include Roger Roberts, for his collaborative citizen activism; Laurette Rogers, founder of STRAW; Point Blue Conservation Science; Trout Unlimited; and the Giacomini Wetlands Restoration Project.

MCL is deeply grateful for your lifetime of dedication to the health of our streams. We particularly honor your tireless commitment to face-to-face contact with community members, one of the qualities that allowed you to earn from them a level of trust not easily given. While helping the community to comply with applicable water quality standards, you created and inspired genuine stewards of the environment. You went far beyond the role of "bureaucrat," creating true partnerships. We also recognize the impact of the grant funding you brought to the community through the Resource Conservation District, Pt. Reyes National Seashore, MMWD, and SPAWN. Your willingness to fight for deserving projects far exceeded the efforts of a typical government employee.

This year's awards will be presented at MCL's Annual Dinner, Friday, April 6, from 5:30 to 9:00 p.m. Please join us in The Key Room, a program of Homeward Bound of Marin at the New Beginnings Center, 1385 N. Hamilton Parkway, in Novato. In addition to your complimentary ticket, MCL will be holding an additional complimentary ticket at the door.

We ask that you send us a photo and brief bio. This photo should be of high resolution, 320 dpi or greater. We will post photos of the awardees at the dinner. We look forward to our awardees' acceptance speeches and allow three minutes each in order to keep to a tight schedule. If you have any questions, please contact our office manager, Holly Smith, at 415-485-6257 or via email to mcl@marinconservationleague.org.

Congrats -

Sincerely,

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