



Yolo Habitat Conservancy

County of Yolo • City of Davis • City of Winters • City of West Sacramento
City of Woodland • University of California, Davis

May 15, 2023

The Honorable Bill Dodd
California State Senate
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: SB 256- Support

Dear Senator Dodd,

The Yolo Habitat Conservancy (“Conservancy”) is a joint powers agency comprised of the County of Yolo and the cities of Davis, West Sacramento, Winters, and Woodland. The Conservancy is pleased to submit this letter for support for SB 256 which would modify terms of a voter-approved bond act, Proposition 70 of 1988 which provided the City of Davis with \$1.97 million to purchase the eight properties along the South Fork of Putah Creek to preserve and enhance the sites. These modified terms would allow Yolo Habitat Conservancy and the City of Davis to explore placing conservation easements on these properties.

In to meet the Yolo HCP/NCCP conservation strategy biologic goals and objectives, the Conservancy is depends upon close collaboration and partnership with our member agencies. We thank you for your authoring SB 256 and the proposed restriction removal so that the City of Davis can continue exploring enrolling the eight properties along the South Fork of Putah Creek into the Yolo HCP/NCCP reserve system of conserved properties.

Sincerely,

Gary Sandy, Chair
YHC Board of Directors