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**CATTLE GRAZING LEASE
ZONE 4 OF MARKS RANCH
COUNTY OF MONTEREY
AND
BIG SUR LAND TRUST**

This Cattle Grazing Lease Agreement (“Lease”) is made by and between the County of Monterey, a political subdivision of the State of California (“County”), and the Big Sur Land Trust, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation (“BSLT”), (sometimes collectively referred to as the “Parties” and singularly as the “ Party”) .

RECITALS

Whereas, County is the owner of certain property formerly known as a part of the Marks Ranch, referred to herein as the "Park".

Whereas, BSLT desires to continue to lease a portion of the Park from County for the purpose of grazing cattle as a component of BSLT's larger Marks Ranch stewardship program.

Whereas, County and BSLT desire to enter into a Cattle Grazing Lease to ensure appropriate use and management of the portion of Park that is the subject of this Lease.

Whereas, County and BSLT agree that this Lease supersedes any prior Lease Agreement.

COVENANTS

1. The Leased Premises is approximately 624 acres of grassland which is a portion of the former Conner Marks Ranch Property obtained by County from BSLT on or about November 23, 2010, and is more specifically detailed on **Exhibit A**, subject to the terms of this Lease, referred to herein as the "Premises" or "Leased Premises". In the event that County acquires additional portions of Marks Ranch from BSLT then the parties agree said portions will be managed as a part of BSLT's larger Marks Ranch stewardship program and this Agreement will be amended accordingly, including without limitation (a) adding said portion to the Premises, (b) increasing Rent and offset amounts referenced in paragraph 3, and (c) increasing the maximum AUM, all in proportion to the additional acreage.
2. Term of Lease: Cancellation. The term of this Lease shall be for ten (10) years, beginning July 1, 2026 and ending on June 30, 2036. The parties shall consider further extensions of the Lease prior to its termination in 2036 and negotiate and enter an amendment or new lease if mutually desirable at that time.

3. Rent. In addition to compliance with the attached **Exhibit B**, Responsibility/Stewardship Objectives, BSLT shall pay to County the amount of \$4,700.00 (or proof of offset as provided herein) per year, payable in arrears in one lump sum payment on June 1 of every year following the year of tenancy. BSLT is permitted to offset a maximum of \$4,700.00 (100.0% of annual rent) per year in improvements, expenses, and additional services (collectively "offset costs") generally as set forth in the attached **Exhibit E** upon providing reasonable documentation of said offset costs; County will approve such offset costs provided that said offset costs are within the reasonable range of market value taking into account all surrounding circumstances and conditions. BSLT may carry over offset costs that exceed \$4,700.00 in a year to any subsequent year, provided that in no event may BSLT claim a rebate for said excess from County.
4. At the end of year five (5) of the initial Lease Term, and any one-year period after, it shall be increased by the fixed amount of two and a half percent (2.5%). Once adjusted in accordance with the foregoing, the annual rent will remain in effect until the next such adjustment.
5. Cancellation.
 - A. Cancellation of Lease Due to Non-Payment of Rent. If the rent is not paid in full when due (or equivalent offset as provided herein), then at any time after the due date, while the rent or any portion thereof remains unpaid for 30 days, County may revoke this Lease, may re-enter the Premises, and may occupy the same upon giving 60 days advance notice of such revocation, re-entry of the Premises, and/or occupation of the Premises. Such action by County shall not relieve BSLT of the obligation to make all rental payments as are then due and unpaid (or to provide equivalent offset as provided herein). BSLT shall remove all livestock from the Premises by the termination date.
 - B. Cancellation Of Lease Due To Breach Of Lease. If BSLT fails to comply with a material term of this Lease, unless a provision of this Lease states otherwise, County shall give BSLT 30 days to cure such breach. If the breach is not cured within that time period, County may thereafter give immediate effective notice of cancellation of the Lease.
6. Joint and Several Liabilities. If more than one tenant is named in this Lease, or if there is a sublease of the tenancy, the obligation of each such Tenant or the tenant and subtenant shall be joint and several. Any Lease provision that refers to "BSLT" includes in that reference BSLT and any of its permitted assigns, agents, employees, or subtenants under a sublease.
7. Responsibility Stewardship Objectives. BSLT's activities shall be undertaken subject to the terms and conditions of this Lease and in accordance with County's land management objectives set forth in **Exhibit B** attached hereto and incorporated by reference. Further, it is hereby mutually agreed by and between County and BSLT that

the provisions of this Lease shall be interpreted conservatively so as to ensure that public access, natural resource management, and responsibility/stewardship objectives take precedence over grazing.

8. Minimum Standards. Grazing shall be undertaken in a manner so as to maintain low fuel loads, reduce fire danger, and mitigate against catastrophic wildfire. Additionally, grazing operations will aim to maintain or control, as feasible, invasive plant species, enhance native plant species, and remove thatch within the Grassland and in accordance with the Minimum Standards set forth in **Exhibit C**. BSLT may utilize existing livestock facilities, if any. The number of cattle grazing on the Premises during the term of the Lease shall not exceed seventy-five (75) animal units per month (AUMs) as set forth in the Minimum Standards.
9. Use of Premises.
 - A. Reasonable overnight use to facilitate working with livestock or to protect the Premises may be permitted, provided that prior written approval is obtained from the Chief of Parks.
 - B. BSLT may not use or permit the use of any of the Premises for camping, picnicking, hunting, or overnight occupancy except as otherwise provided herein.
 - C. BSLT may use the following methods of stock management on the Premises: foot; horseback; light trucks and ATV's limited to Premises for maintenance and inspection/feeding of stock. Motorized vehicles (land or air) may not be used to gather or "drive" stock without the prior written consent of the Chief of Parks.
10. Fire Precautions. In addition to the use of due care, BSLT will take whatever fire prevention and control measures are required on the Premises by duly constituted authorities.
11. Clearing Land. BSLT shall not clear any portion of the land, and shall not cut any trees on the land, without first obtaining the written consent of the Chief of Parks.
12. Stock Management. BSLT shall not suffer or permit livestock, especially bulls, to harass or endanger humans or property. Steers are not allowed on the Premises. Livestock shall be easily identified by means of visible markings such as, but not limited to, ear tags. BSLT shall remove any aggressive or dangerous stock from the Premises, as soon as BSLT becomes aware that such animal(s) possess such tendencies. BSLT shall provide notice to the County within 48 hours of identifying the specific animal(s) and the date of removal. BSLT may place safety signage upon the Premises, subject to reasonable County approval, for the purpose of preventing the general public from approaching, feeding or handling livestock.
13. Improvements to Premises. BSLT shall make no improvements to the Premises, including, but not limited to, fences, cattle guard, stock ponds, roads, and/or habitable structures,

without first obtaining prior written consent of the Chief of Parks; BSLT shall have the right, but not the obligation, to maintain, repair and replace said improvements in the event that they are damaged or destroyed. The improvements set forth in **Exhibit E** are hereby consented to and approved by County. All permanent improvements shall become the property of County upon termination of the Lease. County will not unreasonably withhold its consent to improvements for ecosystem stewardship and enhancement or as otherwise required by this Lease.

14. Fencing. BSLT shall contain all stock within the Premises by fences or suitable enclosures, or by providing riders. Where necessary to contain stock, BSLT shall build new fences where none presently exist and shall repair or upgrade existing fences. BSLT shall provide reasonable fencing around Park facilities (e.g., restrooms, picnic tables, barbeque facilities), if any, where needed to prevent stock from entering said Park facilities. BSLT shall maintain all fences in "stock tight" condition equivalent to 4 strand barbed wire fencing which allows for wildlife movement.
15. Premises Subject to Recreational Use by Monterey County Parks Department. Parks or its authorized agent may construct or maintain trails, gates, or other Park and Recreation programs allowed by County over the Premises, provided that such improvements shall not unreasonably interfere with the use of the Premises for grazing purposes, provided further that BSLT shall not be obligated to incur any costs in connection with such improvements.
16. Water. BSLT may use such water sources as are presently available on the Premises for the Watering of stock, if any. County makes no representation as to the reliability of the quality or quantity of these sources, if any. If these sources at any time are inadequate, BSLT must provide any water needed for stock at BSLT's own expense. No new wells or water system shall be constructed on the Leased Premises without obtaining the prior written consent of County; County hereby approves the water system described in **Exhibit E**. If BSLT completes the water system improvements set forth in **Exhibit E**, and such improvements are supplied by water from the existing well located on BSLT owned land, then upon the termination of this Lease BSLT agrees to grant to County an appurtenant easement to receive water from said well in order that County may continue operating the water system improvements to water livestock, provided that:
 - A. County shall pay BSLT market rate for said water supply which supply shall be metered separately and County shall pay for installation of said separate meter, and
 - B. County shall pay its fair share of upkeep, maintenance, repair and replacement of said well in proportion to relative use, up to and including all such costs in the event that County is the sole user of said well; and
 - C. BSLT shall have no obligation to share in the costs of upkeep, maintenance, repair and replacement of said well if BSLT is no longer using said well.

17. Overgrazing.

- A. BSLT shall not suffer or permit the overgrazing of any portion of the Premises, except with the prior written consent of the Chief of Parks. Overgrazing occurs when, in the opinion of the Chief of Parks, accessible forage has been utilized to the extent where further grazing would be detrimental to the land or vegetative resources. County shall determine whether overgrazing has occurred using any method that fairly determines the amount of forage remaining on the Premises or on any portion thereof and taking into account all surrounding circumstances and relevant information or data which may be provided by BSLT. The decision by the Chief of Parks that overgrazing has occurred shall be conclusive and final. In determining whether overgrazing has occurred, the Chief of Parks may refer but shall not be bound to standards set forth in University of California Publications 8092 "California Guidelines for Residual Dry Matter (RDM) Management on Coastal and Foothill Annual Rangelands", 8034 "Livestock Management During Drought", and the BSLT prepared "Marks Ranch Stewardship Grazing Management Plan (May 2010)."
- B. If the Chief of Parks determines that overgrazing has occurred, the Parks Chief of Parks may take any or all of the following actions: the Chief of Parks may direct that the stock be removed from all or part of the affected Premises; may direct that the herd be reduced in number, even down to zero if necessary to protect the premises; and, if the Chief of Parks directs that stock be removed from a portion of the Premises, may direct that BSLT install appropriate fencing or take other protective measures needed to keep the stock off the affected portion of the Premises. BSLT shall comply promptly with any such direction by the Chief of Parks, and BSLT shall continue to comply with such directions and any modifications thereof, until BSLT receives written notification from the Chief of Parks releasing such directions.

18. No Rent Reduction During Periods of Reduced Grazing. There will be no reduction in rent during any period during which overgrazing restrictions, remedies, or protective measures have been put in force by County under paragraph 16 above. There will be no rent reduction on account of drought. It is BSLT's responsibility to ensure that good range management practices are utilized at all times, including during the drought as well as during normal and wet years, so as to avoid the need for County to direct reductions in the number of animals allowed on the Premises or to direct other reductions in the use of the Premises as described in paragraph 16 above. Notwithstanding the above, if the Premises or significant portion thereof is lost or destroyed by a *force majeure* event, such as by fire or landslide, through no fault or control of BSLT, then upon BSLT's request the rent will be reduced in proportion to the reduction in usable acreage. BSLT shall have the right, but not the obligation, to repair and replace any fencing or other improvements which may be destroyed in such event.

19. No Assignment or Subletting. BSLT shall not assign this Lease or sublet the Premises without the prior written consent of the Public Works, Facilities and Parks Director, (herein referred to as "PWFP Director").
20. Prohibition Against Involuntary Assignments. Any involuntary assignment of BSLT's interest in this Lease shall constitute a material default by BSLT under this Lease and shall give County the right to immediately terminate this Lease by giving written notice of termination to BSLT or to BSLT's successor or personal representative. For purposes of this paragraph, "involuntary assignment" shall mean any of the following:
 - A. Transfer of this Lease or any interest in this Lease by order of a court or authorized regulatory agency;;
 - B. The appointment of a receiver, trustee, or other like official to take possession of substantially all of BSLT's assets located at the Premises or of BSLT's interest in the Lease, when possession is not restored to BSLT within forty (45) days;
 - C. The attachment, execution, or other judicial seizure of substantially all of BSLT's personal property located at the Premises or of BSLT's interest in this Lease, when such seizure is not discharged within thirty (30) days;
 - D. The making by BSLT of any general assignment or general arrangement for the benefit of creditors;
 - E. The commencement of a federal bankruptcy proceeding by or against BSLT;
or
 - F. The insolvency of BSLT.
21. Hold Harmless/Indemnification. BSLT shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County, its officers, agents and employees from and against any and all claims, liabilities, and losses whatsoever (including damages to property and injuries to or death of persons, court costs, and reasonable attorney's fees) occurring or resulting to any and all persons, firms or corporations furnishing or supplying work, services, materials, or supplies in connection with the performance of this Lease, and from any and all claims, liabilities, and losses occurring or resulting to any person, firm, or corporation for damage, injury, or death arising out of or connected with the BSLT's performance of this Lease, unless such claims, liabilities, or losses arise out of the negligence or willful misconduct of County. "BSLT's performance" includes BSLT's action or inaction and the action or inaction of BSLT's officers, employees, agents, subleases, and subcontractors.
22. Insurance Coverage Requirements. Without limiting BSLT's duty to indemnify, BSLT shall maintain in effect throughout the term of this Lease a policy or policies of insurance with the following minimum limits of liability:

- A. Commercial general liability insurance, including but not limited to premises and operations, including coverage for Bodily Injury and Property Damage, Personal Injury, Contractual Liability, Broadform Property Damage, Independent Contractors, Products and Completed Operations, with a combined single limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage of not less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence and \$4,000,000 in the aggregate.
- B. Business automobile liability insurance, covering all motor vehicles, including owned, leased, non-owned, and hired vehicles, used in providing services under this Lease, with a combined single limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence.
- C. Professional liability insurance, if required for the professional services being provided (e.g., those persons authorized by a license to engage in a business or profession regulated by the California Business and Professional Code), in the amount of not less than \$1,000,000 per claim and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate, to cover liability for malpractice or errors or omissions made in the course of rendering professional services. If professional liability insurance is written on a "claims-made" basis rather than an occurrence basis, the BSLT shall, upon the expiration or earlier termination of this Lease, obtain extended reporting coverage ("tail coverage") with the same liability limits. Any such tail coverage shall continue for at least three years following the expiration or earlier termination of this Lease.
- D. Workers' Compensation Insurance. If BSLT employs others in the performance of this Lease, in accordance with California Labor Code section 3700 and with Employer's Liability limits not less than \$1,000,000 each person, \$1,000,000 each accident and \$1,000,000 each disease.
- E. Other Insurance Requirements and Commercial General Liability. All insurance required by this Lease shall be with a company acceptable to County and issued and executed by an admitted insurer authorized to transact Insurance business in the State of California. Unless otherwise specified by this Lease, all such insurance shall be written on an occurrence basis, or, if the policy is not written on an occurrence basis, such policy with the coverage required herein shall continue in effect for a period of three years following the date BSLT completes its performance of services under this Lease.

Each liability policy shall provide that County shall be given notice in writing at least thirty days in advance of any endorsed reduction in coverage or limit, cancellation, or intended non-renewal thereof. Each policy shall provide coverage for BSLT and additional insureds with respect to claims arising from each subcontractor, if any, performing work under this Lease, or be accompanied by a certificate of insurance from each subcontractor and/or each sublease showing each subcontractor/sublessee has identical insurance coverage to the above requirements.

Commercial general liability and automobile liability policies shall provide an endorsement naming the County of Monterey, its officers, agents, and employees as Additional insured's with respect to liability arising out of BSLT's work, including ongoing and completed operations, and shall further provide that such insurance is primary insurance to any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County and that the insurance of the Additional Insured's shall not be called upon to contribute to a loss covered by BSLT's insurance. The required endorsement form for Commercial General Liability Additional Insured is ISO Form CG 20 10 11-85 or CG 20 10 10 01 in tandem with CG 20 37 10 01 (2000). The required endorsement form for Automobile Additional Insured endorsement is ISO Form CA 20 48 02 99.

Prior to the execution of this Lease by County, BSLT shall file certificates of insurance with County's contract administrator and County's Contracts/Purchasing Division, showing that BSLT has in effect the insurance required by this Lease. BSLT shall file a new or amended certificate of insurance within five calendar days after any change is made in any insurance policy, which would alter the information on the certificate then on file. Acceptance or approval of insurance shall in no way modify or change the indemnification clause in this Lease, which shall continue in full force and effect.

BSLT shall at all times during the term of this Lease maintain in force the insurance coverage required under this Lease and shall send, without demand by County, annual certificates to County's Contract Administrator and County's Contracts/Purchasing Division. If the certificate is not received by the expiration date, County shall notify BSLT and BSLT shall have five calendar days to send in the certificate, evidencing no lapse in coverage during the interim. Failure by BSLT to maintain such insurance is a default of this Lease, which entitles County, at its sole discretion, to terminate this Lease immediately.

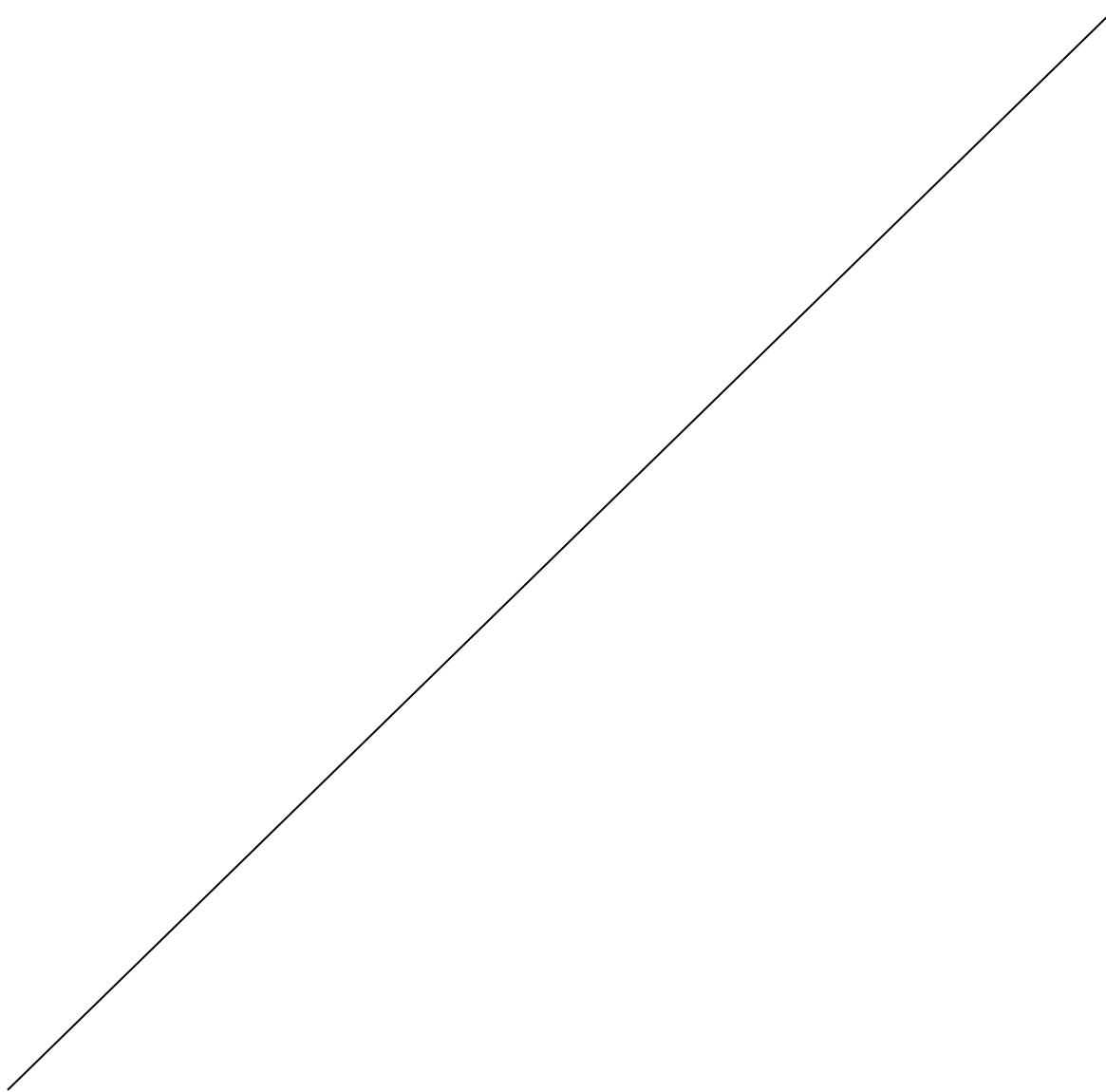
23. Right to Enter and Inspect. County and its officers, agents and employees, shall have the right at all times to enter upon the Premises to inspect the same or for other proper purposes.
24. Duties on Expiration of Lease. At the expiration or termination of this Lease, BSLT will quit the Premises, will remove all of BSLT's stock and personal property from the Premises, and will leave the Premises and all improvements thereon in good condition and repair, ordinary wear and tear excepted. As to the condition of the range, "good condition" means that the range is not overgrazed.
25. Compliance with Laws. BSLT shall comply with all laws applicable to the conduct of its operations on the Premises and to the management and disposition of all livestock grazed on the Premises. BSLT's use of the Premises is subject to all County Park rules and regulations set forth in Monterey County Code Chapter 14.12 or established by the Monterey County Parks Department or Board of Supervisors.

26. No Waste, Nuisance, or Unlawful Use. BSLT shall not commit or permit others to commit waste on the Premises. BSLT shall not maintain, commit, or permit on the Premises, the maintenance or commission of any nuisance as defined by the California Civil Code Section 3479. BSLT shall not use or permit the use of the Premises for any unlawful purpose.
27. County's Lease Administrator. The PWFDP Director, or his designee, shall act as the Lease administrator for County.
28. Entire Lease. This written Lease, together with all exhibits attached hereto and incorporated by reference, is the complete and exclusive statement of the mutual understanding of the parties. This Lease supersedes and cancels all previous written and oral Leases and communications relating to the subject matter of the Lease.
29. Modifications to Lease. No modification or amendment to this Lease shall be made and no Lease pertaining to this Lease that is inconsistent with or different from the terms of this Lease shall be binding upon either party, unless such modification, amendment, or Lease is made in writing and duly signed by the parties hereto.
30. Taxable Possessory Interest. The property interest created by this Lease may be subject to property taxation and BSLT may be subject to the payment of property taxes levied on such interest. The imposition or payment of such possessory interest tax shall not give rise to an entitlement on BSLT's part to an off set for any portion of the rent due and owing attributable to such possessory interest tax liability.
31. Counterparts: This Lease may be executed in two (2) or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one (1) and the same Lease.
32. Consent to Use Electronic Signatures: The Parties to this Lease consent to the use of electronic signatures via DocuSign to execute this Lease. The Parties understand and agree that the legality of electronic signatures is governed by state and federal law, 15 U.S.C Section 7001 et seq.; California Government Code Section 16.5; and, California Civil Code Section 1633.1 et. seq. Pursuant to said state and federal law as may be amended from time to time, the Parties to this Lease hereby authenticate and execute this Lease, and any and all Exhibits to this Lease, with their respective electronic signatures, including any and all scanned signatures in portable document format (PDF) which may be delivered by mail, E-Mail, or Facsimile.
33. Notice. Notice under this contract shall be sent to the parties at the addresses as set forth below. Notice shall be deemed effective upon delivery if personally delivered, upon transmission if sent by facsimile, and on the third day after mailing.

County of Monterey
County of Monterey
Public Works, Facilities and Parks
1441 Schilling Place, 2nd Floor South
P O Box 5249
Salinas CA 93901
Phone: (831) 755-4895
Fax: (831) 755-4914

BSLT
The Big Sur Land Trust
ATTN: Conservation Team
P O Box 4071
Monterey CA 93942
Phone: (831) 625-5523

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Lease on the day and year written below.

COUNTY OF MONTEREY

BIG SUR LAND TRUST

By: _____
Name
Title

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Jeannette Tuitele-Lewis
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(Signature of Chair, President or Vice President)

Date: _____

Its: Jeannette Tuitele-Lewis, President/CEO
(Insert Name and Title)

Approved as to Form
Office of the County Counsel
Susan K. Blicht, County Counsel

Date: 6/3/2026 | 2:39 PM PDT

Signed by:
By: Michael Whilden
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Signed by:
By: Peter Eigen
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(Signature of Secretary, Asst. Secretary, CFO,
Treasurer, or Asst. Treasurer.)

Its: Deputy County Counsel

Name, Deputy County Counsel

Its: Peter Eigen, OOO/CFO
(Insert Name and Title)

Date: 6/3/2026 | 3:59 PM PDT

Date: 6/3/2026 | 3:24 PM PDT

Approved as to Indemnity and Insurance Provisions
Office of the County Counsel Risk Management
Susan K. Blicht, County Counsel

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By: David Bolton
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Date: 6/3/2026 | 4:52 PM PDT

Approved as to Fiscal Provisions
Rupa Shah, Auditor/Controller

By: _____

Its: _____
(Insert Name; Title)

Date: _____

*INSTRUCTIONS: If COMPANY is a corporation, including non-profit corporations, the full legal name of the corporation shall be set forth above together with the signatures of two (2) specified officers per California Corporations Code Section 313. If COMPANY is a Limited Liability Corporation (LLC), the full legal name of the LLC shall be set forth above together with the signatures of two (2) managers. If COMPANY is a partnership, the full legal name of the partnership shall be set forth above together with the signature of a partner who has authority to execute this Agreement on behalf of the partnership. If COMPANY is contracting in an individual capacity, the individual shall set forth the name of the business, if any, and shall personally sign the Agreement or Amendment to said Agreement.

EXHIBIT A

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Real property in the unincorporated area of the County of Monterey, State of California, described as follows:

PARCEL ONE:

All that real property in the unincorporated area of the County of Monterey, State of California, and being a portion of Parcel 1 and Parcel 3 as described in that certain grant deed from Agnes K. Marks to St. John's College filed for record in the office of the county recorder of County of Monterey on May 2, 1973 in Reel 844 at page 542, and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a $\frac{3}{4}$ " iron pipe with a yellow plastic plug stamped 'RCE 15310' on the southwesterly boundary of Las Palmas Ranch, Phase II, Unit XI at the corner common to parcels 16 & 17 as shown upon that certain map of Tract #1359 filed for record in the office of the county recorder of the County of Monterey on December 15, 2000 in Volume 21 of Cities and Towns at Page 26; thence running along said southwesterly boundary of Las Palmas Ranch

- (1) S. 62°43'40" E., 688.31'; thence
- (2) S. 78°30'41" E., 997.72'; thence
- (3) N. 80°36'22" E., 2641.79'; thence
- (4) S. 50°29'14" E., 3412.16', to the corner of Toro County Park numbered 'TP125' as shown upon that certain map filed for record in the office of the county recorder of the County of Monterey on October 14, 1970 in Volume 9 of Surveys at Page 115; thence leaving said boundary of Las Palmas Ranch and running along the boundary of Toro County Park
- (5) S. 39°34'09" W., 4320.45'; thence
- (6) N. 88°13'23" W., 2642.82'; thence
- (7) N. 47°13'56" W., 1983.88'; thence
- (8) N. 11°24'39" W., 1523.62'; thence leaving said boundary of Toro County Park
- (9) N. 36°48'38" E., 2358.51' to a point in a wood post barbed-wire fence; thence running along said fence
- (10) N. 44°42'41" W., 84.73'; thence
- (11) N.23°50'19" W., 101.03'; thence
- (12) N.22°20'44" W., 109.32'; thence leaving said wood post barbed-wire fence
- (13) N.89°52'25" W., 221.59'; thence running more or less along the top of slope
- (14) N. 69°25'41" W., 177.27'; thence
- (15) N. 50°15'15" W., 138.54'; thence
- (16) N. 63°46'47" W., 82.34'; thence
- (17) S. 74°22'01" W., 192.06'; thence
- (18) N. 13°08'38" W., 165.75' to a point in a steel picket and barbed-wire fence; thence leaving said top of slope and running along said fence
- (19) N. 78°26'45" W., 240.12' to a point of intersection of a steel picket

barbed-wire fence running south-easterly and north-easterly with a wood post and barbed-wire fence running north-westerly, thence more or less running along a steel picket and barbed-wire fence
(20) N. 24°05'34" E., 190.92' to the point of beginning.

PARCEL TWO:

A non-exclusive easement for a right of way over an existing roadway approximately 12 feet in width as shown as Exhibit C attached to the Administrative and Emergency Purposes Access Easement Deed and Agreement recorded November 23, 2010, Instrument No. 2010069108, Official Records of Monterey County.

APN: 139-012-012-000 (portion), 415-011-010-000 (portion), and 415-011-011-000

EXHIBIT B

Responsibility/Stewardship Objectives

1. Preservation of open space for recreation, scenic beauty and education, and preservation of native plants and animals, and biotic communities; all or portion of the Park, including the Premises, will be made open to the public subject to reasonable restrictions determined by County.
2. Maintenance of rich and productive grassland communities with healthy populations of rare, threatened or endangered vertebrates, significant native grass, and forb components, and minimal exotic pest plants.
3. Preservation of streambed areas, and healthy, regenerating riparian woodlands.
4. Minimization of fire hazards through vegetative fuel management and responsible livestock management.
5. Restoration of degraded vegetation and wildlife habitat.
6. Maintenance of livestock distribution over the Premises, to achieve uniform range utilization, minimize forage areas, reduce overall fire hazard, and meet responsibility stewardship objectives.

EXHIBIT C

Minimum Grazing Standards

The following conditions and requirements shall constitute the minimum resource management of Toro Park lands:

Stocking Levels and Animal Unit Equivalents (AUE). BSLT hereby agrees that this Lease provides for cattle grazing only and only on the Premises defined herein. The BSLT is solely responsible for containment of livestock. The stocking level shall be assessed in animal units per month (AUMs). The number of AUMs per month shall not exceed (seventy-five) 75, depending on site conditions. AUM levels shall be determined in accordance with the following table:

<u>Type/age of Animal</u>	<u>Animal Unit</u>
Equivalent	
Brood Cow (mature female, two (2) years old and above)	1.00
Brood Cow with Calf at side (not to exceed eight (8) months old)	1.00
Bull (mature male, two (2) years old and above)	1.50
Replacement Cattle (up to 500 pounds)	0.50
Replacement Cattle (500 to 1,000 pounds)	0.75

BSLT shall report to County the number of AUE on the Premises, by field, in each of the above categories on a monthly basis or upon County's request. The report shall include the number of increases and decreases, including, but not limited to occurrence of births, when calves become replacement cattle (for AUM calculation), purchased cattle, shipped cattle (including inoculation records), and deaths since the previous report and shall include the dates of cattle purchases and shipping.

BSLT shall notify County immediately upon discovery of dead livestock. BSLT shall remove dead livestock within two (2) days of discovery or receipt of notification from County, whichever occurs first. If a carcass is not in close proximity to residential activities and bad weather or steep terrain requires an environmentally unsound or physically unreasonable effort to remove, BSLT may, with the prior written approval of County bury the livestock. BSLT shall immediately report any case of infectious livestock disease to County and shall, at BSLT's sole cost and expense, take all steps required to isolate, control and eliminate any such disease.

BSLT shall provide a contact person and methodology for someone who is available 24/7 to respond within one hour of contact to address emergency problems and issues involving the grazing, livestock, and/or the premises that are the subject of this Lease.

EXHIBIT D

Definitions

Animal Unit Equivalent:	Considered to be one mature cow, two years old above, may include calves, not to exceed eight months old, at a side or their equivalent. Abbreviation "(AUE)".
Animal Unit Month:	One animal unit equivalent for thirty days. In the plural, a multiple of AUE X Months= Animal Units Months. Abbreviation "(AMUs)".
Carrying Capacity:	The maximum number of specific kinds and classes of animals that graze a separate field for a specific time for optimum results.
Field:	An area enclosed and separated from other areas by fencing or other barriers.
Indigenous:	Born, growing, or produced naturally in an area or region (native).
Livestock:	Domestic animals (cattle) kept or raised for use or profit.
Monitoring:	The systematic collection, analysis and interpretation of data to evaluate progress toward meeting Toro Parks Resource Management Plan goals.
Residual Dry Matter:	The amount of dried, dead plant matter left on the soil at the end of the grazing season, which is measured in pounds per acre.
Monitored Grazing:	A resource management practice where animals are moved between two or more fields based on monitoring resource conditions.
Stock Rate:	The number of specific kinds and classes of animals grazing or using a unit of land for a specified period of time.
Supplemental reeding:	The practice of supplying concentrated or harvested feed, within restricted sites, to correct deficiencies of the range diet.

EXHIBIT E **MARKS RANCH STEWARDSHIP GRAZING PROGRAM**

In May 2010, David Amme, Wildlands Vegetation Manager of the East Bay Regional Parks System developed a sustainable livestock grazing program described in the Marks Ranch Stewardship Grazing Management Plan (hereinafter "**Amme Plan**") at the 816-acre Marks Ranch property.

In May 2007, the Big Sur Land Trust (BSLT) purchased the 816-acre Marks Ranch property in Salinas, which is adjacent to the 4900-acre Toro County Park. In November 2010, the Monterey County Parks Department (MCPD) purchased approximately 625 acres of the Marks Ranch property, adjacent to Toro Park, which includes a significant portion of viable grazing land on the entire property known as Marks Ranch.

The Marks Ranch property has been utilized as grazing land for nearly 100 years, and both BSLT and MCPD agree that a grazing program at the site offers important natural resources management benefits for the site and the associated lands in the area. After consultation with Monterey County Parks Department staff, The Big Sur Land Trust plans to employ the Amme plan as a guideline for a long-term grazing program at the site that also enables and enhances public use of the portions of the property owned by the Monterey County Parks Department.

GOALS FOR THE STEWARDSHIP GRAZING MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The primary goal of the Amme Plan at Marks Ranch focuses on ecosystem restoration: to enhance and restore the health, diversity and productivity of native grassland plant and wildlife communities. BSLT also considers maintaining the historic use of grazing the property as an important goal.

Primary objectives for the grazing program at Marks Ranch include:

- maintaining a viable wildlife corridor by promoting diversity,
- minimizing fuel loads and wildfire potential through brush encroachment,
- enhancing the diversity and expansion of native perennial grasses and herbaceous plants,
- protecting and enhancing riparian and wetland habitat values,
- controlling invasive, non-native weed species in grassland and woodland habitat
- encouraging a sustainable livestock grazing operation compatible with public recreational uses

STEWARDSHIP GRAZING

The Marks Ranch Amme Plan is an adaptive management document under the general title of Stewardship Grazing, which employs livestock grazing practices as the primary tool to achieve its objectives. The Big Sur Land Trust plans to manage livestock grazing at the site under the general recommendations outlined in the Amme Plan.

In order to be able to effectively implement a sustainable livestock grazing program at Marks Ranch, BSLT anticipates installing infrastructure (primarily fencing, gates and water troughs) on the entire 816-acre site that delineates separate pastures as described in the Amme plan. BSLT estimates a 2-year timeframe to install infrastructure at tile site. Any new infrastructure installed at the site, including fencing and gates, will be installed after approval from the Monterey County Parks Department has been obtained.

Once the infrastructure is in place, BSLT will implement proper stocking rates (numbers) consistent with resource conservation objectives. The Amme Plan analyzed grazing productivity and capacity and provided recommendations for stocking rates for the new pastures at Marks Ranch. BSLT will work from the 3-year grazing plan described on pages 9 to 11 of the Amme Plan.

BSLT estimates that it will take a minimum of 5 years (2 for infrastructure implementation and 3 years of grazing plan implementation and monitoring) to complete the initial or startup phase of the livestock grazing program. Given the adaptive nature of the program, the first three years of monitoring the grazing program will offer critical information that will determine appropriate stocking rates and resting periods into the future.

The timeline below depicts a projection of the first 5 years of implementation of the grazing program with two years devoted to infrastructure and 3 years for rotational grazing.

ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT AND MONITORING

The Amme Plan is a natural resource management document that requires oversight by qualified resource management professionals. Observation and monitoring are critical components to a successful grazing program. Thus, BSLT will lead the oversight, observation and monitoring of this grazing program. This information will provide the basis for regular review and adaptation of the grazing plan to meet the evolving resource conservation objectives and grazing productivity and capacity.

The goal of the monitoring program at Marks Ranch is to record vegetation change related to management timing, season and duration. The basic premise for grazing and resting grasslands is that it will gradually increase density and cover of native perennial grasses and perennial herbaceous species over the long run. Thus, once the livestock grazing program is in place, BSLT will observe and monitor and record relevant data every year. BSLT will use this data to review the grazing plan at least once a year and determine necessary changes to the annual

grazing plan.

BSLT will meet with MCPD staff once each year in early fall (October/November) to review the monitoring report and review the yearly goals for the following grazing year.

TIMELINE

BSLT will develop and establish a grazing and monitoring plan for the livestock grazing program upon execution of the Lease Agreement.

Proposed Grazing Infrastructure

The following proposed infrastructure improvements to the property were developed from the recommendations of the Amme Plan and several field visits to the property by BSLT staff, the current ranchers at Marks Ranch and staff from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). A detailed map of the proposed infrastructure follows this list:

- 20 acres of Medusahead control for 3 years
- Replace 3 culverts (with a diameter of 24 inches or less) along Hay Road to Chalk Rock Rd and 4 rolling dips/water bars over 1000ft plus 739 feet+ 5 rolling dips/water bars
- 2 wildlife guzzlers
- 1 new 4,995-gallon water tank to backcountry in Hay Field Pasture (836ft elevation)
- 3 new cross fences to delineate pastures as referenced in the Amme Plan
- 8,000 feet of new water pipeline to provide water to new tank in the backcountry and replace lines
- Replace existing troughs and add new troughs as follows:
 - Hay Field= 3 total
 - 1-4x8ft
 - 2- 2x2ft
 - Bolton House Field= 2 total
 - 1- 4x8ft
 - 1-2x2ft
 - Radio Tower Field= 2 total
 - 1- 4x8ft
 - 1- 2x2ft
- Add solar pump to existing water tank (483ft elevation)

EXHIBIT E

Proposed Stewardship

