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Stewardship Council Announces July 30, 2010 Closing Date for Registering Interest in Fee Title to Round 2 Planning Units

San Mateo, Calif., July 20, 2010 – The Pacific Forest and Watershed Lands Stewardship Council (Stewardship Council) is inviting public entities, 501(c)3 non-profit conservation organizations, and recognized tribal organizations to register their interest in receiving a donation of fee title to lands available in Round 2 planning units. These lands, currently owned and managed by Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E), will be permanently protected as part of PG&E's Land Conservation Commitment. The planning units containing lands available for donation in fee in Round 2 are as follows:

Pit-McCloud River Watershed Area Feather River Watershed Area

Pit River
Tunnel Reservoir
Butte Creek
North Fork Feather River
Oroville

Yuba-Bear River Watershed Area Eel River

Bear River
Fordyce Lake
Lake Spaulding
Lower Drum
Narrows
Eel River

Stanislaus River Watershed Area Willow Creek Watershed Area

Lyons Reservoir
Kerckhoff Lake
Manzanita Lake
Willow Creek

Reports and maps for the Stewardship Council's planning units may be found on the Stewardship Council's website.

Registration of interest does not imply a commitment between the Stewardship Council and the interested party with respect to the future conveyance of any parcel(s) of land.

To register interest in donation of fee title to available lands in the 18 planning units listed above, organizations must complete the Interested Donee Registry application on the Stewardship Council's website. Interested organizations must register no later than **5 p.m. Pacific Time, July 30, 2010.**

Following the closing date, the Stewardship Council will invite registered organizations to prepare and submit a Statement of Qualifications. Eligible and sufficiently qualified organizations will then be invited to submit a Land Stewardship Proposal. This process will lead to a recommendation by the Stewardship Council of the best suited organizations to own and manage lands for the purpose of preserving and enhancing its beneficial public values. This fee donation process will be coordinated with a parallel process to select donees to hold conservation easements on these same lands.

For more information, please refer to the Stewardship Council website:
www.stewardshipcouncil.org.

The Pacific Forest and Watershed Lands Stewardship Council (Stewardship Council) is a private, nonprofit foundation. Established in 2004, its mission is to protect and enhance more than 140,000 acres of watershed lands, and invest in efforts to improve the lives of young Californians through connections with the outdoors. The Stewardship Council brings together the expertise of leading conservation, natural resource management, business, and public officials to undertake this historic conservation effort for California. A unique and collaborative endeavor, the Stewardship Council's Board of Directors unites a broad range of interests to guide the development and execution of a Land Conservation Program and a Youth Investment Program to benefit current and future generations of Californians. Our core values are collaboration, stewardship, discovery, sustainability and leadership. For more information about the Stewardship Council please visit the website: www.stewardshipcouncil.org.

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