

## Gaviota Overlook is permanently conserved and protected from development!

Thursday, November 16, 2023

We recently celebrated the acquisition of the Gaviota Overlook—a breathtaking 48-acre expanse of rolling coastal grassland along the iconic U.S Route 101 State Scenic Highway. It stands as one of the most magnificent examples of rural, coastal Southern California and among the last undeveloped areas in the southern region.



Through efforts by Senator Monique Limon and Assemblymember Gregg Hart, we are thrilled to share that the State of California has generously contributed \$500,000 to the acquisition, restoration, and trail planning of the Gaviota Overlook. We also received a generous \$500,000 from the Santa Barbara Coastal Resources Mitigation Fund that went directly towards the acquisition. These important investments, combined with yours, will allow us to improve the habitat, aid in climate resilience, and expand the trail system at Arroyo Hondo Preserve.

We knew our efforts on acquiring the beloved Gaviota Coast would be well supported, and are humbled that our \$3 million campaign evolved into a \$3.5 million success, enabling us to take immediate steps to enhance the conservation values and improve the land's role in wildfire resilience and stormwater recapture.

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