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*Solomon Creek*

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What about SOLOMON CREEK MARSH? None of us around here have ever gotten around to discussing it. For a long time I've been meaning to ask you, because I know you have been out in that total Mussel Rock Dunes area (of THE NIPOMO DUNES) - and maybe you've gotten over to the MARSH....

It is the creek which flows past the Gordon (Guadalupe) Sand Mining area. To reach the wide, marshy part of the marsh, you will find it easiest by turning off of the main road (called extension of Main Street from Santa Maria) at a side farm road that goes to a house; I think there are 2 tall old palm trees near it; this location is about half a mile to one mile before reaching the sand mining operation. This marsh is obviously a WETLAND.

I was taken there by Steve Stanley, of the staff of the regional Coastal Commission Office, 925 De La Vina Street, Santa Barbara, CA. 93101 along with John P. ("Jack") Forrest, 4300 Lynhurst Circle, Santa Maria, CA. 93455 (formerly Chairman of People For a Nipomo Dunes National Seashore).

Has anyone you know studied this marsh? Does it have listed biological values? The Leroy Estate cattle were munching in and out of the water and trampling much vegetation the day we were there in 1980 (?) or 1981 (?) or ?? (I can't find my calendars of those years!)

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RALPH:

In this envelope is a stack of stuff I meant to send you long ago ... and meant to ask you - invite you up to my home to glance at my voluminous files on all the dunes and see if any of it would be of help to what you are doing re: the Nipomo Dunes. Now time has caught up with me ... and you've found out plenty with no help from me. Although I did give Don Coppock free access to everything I have - and I believe he took back with him a bunch of stuff, which I told him to keep ... and I would assume that he passed it on to you.

Everything in this envelope is self-evident.

People here who are aware of all the work you have done are VERY APPRECIATIVE! After all, it was our National Seashore Group who, at Don Coppock's suggestion, wrote to the California State Coastal Conservancy, asking them to find a person with the kind of expertise you have, and hire you. We should be very, very, very glad we are so lucky!

Thank you very much!

If, at this tardy date, there is anything I can do to assist you, please ask.

Sincerely,

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