

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION UNITED STATES COAST GUARD Commander (oan)

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Museum of Natural History ATTN: Vernal L. Yadon, Director 165 Forest Avenue Pacific Grove, CA 93950

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Dear Mr. Yadon:

Please excuse my delay in responding to your request for assistance in maintaining the Point Pinos Light Station property. I wanted to thoroughly investigate the situation before replying.

I regret that we will not be able to assist you at this time. Before I can determine if we can assist you I will need to resolve which portions of the property will be declared excess to the needs of the Coast Guard. This is an internal matter that could take up to a year to resolve. Additionally, should we be legally able to assist you, I will have to program funds for the project. The earliest that funds will be available is October 1980, the beginning of our next fiscal year.

I certainly appreciate the enormous amount of work that your organization has done in restoring the Point Pinos Lighthouse, and I sincerely want to help in your continuing program of restoration. However, I will first need to know if (and how) we can assist. Then I will need to program the funds. I will keep your request on my "tickler" file and would request that you write again, or call, this coming September.

Sincerely,

W.C. WHEELER

Chief, Aids to Navigation Branch (Acting) By direction of the District Commander

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