

Bolsa Point Farms

PIGEON POINT ROAD, PESCADERO



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CONSERVATION HIGHLIGHTS

Bolsa Point Farms has 3,100 feet of ocean frontage, which is comprised of a large sandy pocket beach with rocky outcroppings, and coastal bluffs. It provides habitat for several rare threatened and endangered species, including the Hickman's cinquefoil (a federally endangered plant), the San Francisco garter snake, and the California red-legged frog.

The waters adjacent to Bolsa Point Ranches are part of the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary. This area supports a thriving marine community. It is possible to spot sea lions, seals, sea otters, and humpback whales from the property's beaches.

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY

The area to the east of the bluffs is flat agricultural land with 180 acres of farmland, which have been cultivated since the 1950's. The farm grows a variety of row crops, including sprouts, leeks, artichokes, and fava beans. There are several barns and agricultural outbuildings on the property, including a processing facility.

POST'S IMPACT

Bolsa Point Ranches was once one of the largest remaining unprotected properties on the San Mateo Coast. POST purchased the initial 340 acres in 2001. After several more acquisitions POST then transferred a 414-acre portion of the ranch property to Bolsa Point Farm LLC in 2007, subject to a traditional conservation easement. This easement removes development rights on the property and provides for future trail connections, including potentially a future segment of the California Coastal Trail.

Protecting the farms has also helped to preserve the viewshed around the iconic Pigeon Point Lighthouse.

HIGHLIGHTS

414

Total acres protected

180

Total farmland acres

3100

Feet of ocean frontage

PROTECTION

Owned by farmer, subject to conservation easement.



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