Bolsa Chica Land Trust
Preserving All of Bolsa Chica

Dear Friends,

As 2025 comes to a close, we look back at a difficult year, with more challenges for our environment ahead. A year of attacks on our national parks, environmental protections and wildlife rattled those who care about and value our beautiful landscapes and the amazing creatures that make up California's unique biodiversity. However, there was a glimmer of light as we also saw California move closer to protecting 30% of its lands and waters by 2030. California stands strong and is working to protect the state's iconic landscapes and fragile wildlife.

Bolsa Chica also continues to improve. Your support kept our projects and programs running at full speed, and we are grateful. Now, we need to plan for 2026 to not only continue what we do but increase our efforts. Our work at Bolsa Chica helps not only the wildlife but our community, by ensuring that a healthy habitat is there for future generations of animals, and a beautiful, tranquil landscape is there for everyone to visit. With your support, we have the power to continue to heal the habitats at Bolsa Chica. In 2026 we will focus substantial effort inside the fence on the Mesa. Thousands of plants being grown at our nursery right now will be planted by hundreds of community volunteers this spring. This is our first major boots-on-the-ground planting inside the fence, and we are so excited to begin this next chapter of our habitat restoration project!

Your support will help us take these next large steps to restore the Mesa, and your support will help us educate 2,000 students who will participate in our Miracles of the Marsh program this spring. Your gift will help as we continue to work with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and State Lands Commission to plan for the future of our wetlands, so that Bolsa Chica will survive the threats of sea-level rise and climate change. Your support now will provide the energy that enables us to run far in 2026.

Thank you for your support, for caring about Bolsa Chica and its wildlife, and for nurturing our local natural landscapes. We hope to see you at our virtual town hall this December 17th!

On behalf of us all at BCLT, we wish you a peaceful holiday season.

Warm regards,

Dan Kalmick
President

Join us at the Bolsa Chica Land Trust's virtual Town Hall Meeting, on **Wednesday, December 17th at 6:30 PM via Zoom.**

We are thrilled to have as our presenter the Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve's Manager, Melissa Borde. Melissa is an Environmental Scientist who works for the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. She will talk about the current condition of Bolsa Chica, research projects currently underway, challenges and success, enforcement issues, 2025's nesting results, and plans for the future of Bolsa Chica. **Please register on our website, www.bclandtrust.org, or use this QR code, and at the bottom of the registration form please send us your questions for Melissa!**

This Zoom town hall will have a limited audience of 100.

SO, REGISTER TODAY!!

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our **2026 Wings Over Bolsa calendar.** Osprey or Poppy baseball caps are wonderful ways to show you care about Bolsa Chica, and they make great gifts too! Order today through the enclosed envelope or on our website.

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Thank you for your support and Happy Holidays!

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