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Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy
Attn: Board of Directors
42-600 Cook Street, Suite 219
Palm Desert, CA 92260

RE: Support for City of Indian Wells Low Flow Channel Project (Proposition 1)

Dear Board of Directors:

On behalf of the City of Palm Desert, I am pleased to express our support for the City of Indian Wells' application for Proposition 1 grant funding through the Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy for the Low Flow Channel Capital Improvement Project.

The Whitewater River Stormwater Channel is a critical regional asset that provides flood protection and stormwater conveyance for communities throughout the Coachella Valley. Improvements to this system within Indian Wells will deliver measurable benefits to neighboring jurisdictions by strengthening the overall performance and resilience of the shared watershed.

If funded, the proposed project would:

- Improve water quality by reducing sediment transport and channel scouring through better-managed low-flow conditions.
- Enhance erosion control by stabilizing channel slopes and protecting adjacent regional infrastructure.
- Support long-term watershed health by maintaining natural hydrologic function consistent with the California Water Action Plan.

The City of Palm Desert values regional collaboration on infrastructure investments that protect public safety, improve environmental outcomes, and promote sustainable water management. We view this project as an important component of those shared objectives and respectfully urge the Conservancy's favorable consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Evan Trubee
Mayor, City of Palm Desert