## The Friends of Madrona Marsh

## **Mission Statement Including Objectives and Policies**

The Friends of Madrona Marsh (FOMM) is a non-profit, community-based volunteer organization with the mission of *creating*, *sponsoring*, and conducting activities to promote and support the preservation, restoration, education, and aesthetics of the Madrona Marsh Preserve. In order to achieve this mission, the following **Objectives** have been established:

- A. Provide the City of Torrance with guidance and assistance in its management and maintenance of the Preserve and the associated Nature Center
- B. Provide for the preservation and restoration of the Preserve's unique natural habitat and native flora and fauna
- C. Establish appropriate uses of the Preserve and protect it from degradation
- D. Provide environmental, scientific, and cultural information to the community

The following **Policies** will be pursued to accomplish these objectives:

- 1. FOMM shall pursue the restoration and enhancement of the Preserve habitat, including the vernal marsh, vernal pool, back-dune, riparian, and coastal grassland areas
- 2. FOMM shall conduct restoration and enhancement programs including water management, the reintroduction of native species, and removal of non-native species
- 3. FOMM shall have programs to educate the community about the natural history of the South Bay region and, in the particular, the Madrona Marsh Preserve
- 4. FOMM shall maintain a volunteer program and provide docents and other volunteers to implement these policies
- 5. FOMM shall conduct fundraising to provide financial support for the Preserve, the Nature Center, and the realization of these policies
- 6. FOMM shall advocate these policies to the City of Torrance and the community