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Sierra Club California Condemns Chamber-led PAC's Deceptive Use of Logo

SACRAMENTO—A political action committee, JobsPAC, co-chaired by the California Chamber of Commerce, has mailed campaign literature to voters in Senate District 7 that prominently displays the Sierra Club logo.

The SD 7 race would fill the state senate seat vacated by Marc DeSaulnier after he was elected to Congress in November.

Sierra Club California Director Kathryn Phillips released the following statement:

"The mailer from JobsPAC to Senate District 7 voters is deceptive. It implies that Sierra Club has endorsed one of the candidates for the Senate District 7 seat.

"In fact, Sierra Club has not endorsed any candidate in that race.

"The irony is that one of the long-time barriers to environmental policy progress, the California Chamber of Commerce, has used the Club's logo on its JobsPAC mailing to try to win votes for its favored candidate.

"Is this the start of a trend? Has the Chamber decided environmental groups are correct after all? Can we now expect the California Chamber to actually support good environmental legislation?

"I doubt it. But hope springs eternal."

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Sierra Club California is the legislative and regulatory advocacy arm of the Sierra Club's 13 chapters and more than 150,000 members in California.