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## Campaign to Preserve Cultural Sites in Cambria Sunday, March 31 at 3 PM – 5 PM

Join us at Rabobank on Sunday March 31st from 3 - 5 pm, when Greenspace hosts Cory Wilkins, the Western Regional Director of The Archaeological Conservancy. This educational presentation kicks off the campaign to raise funds for both the maintenance of current archaeological sites, as well as for the acquisition of new sites that need protection here in Cambria. Archaeologists say that the particular properties under consideration hold a wealth of cultural resources, ones that can give us insight into the past lives of the nearly 30,000 Native Americans who once populated the Central Coast, as well as their descendants who still call this area home.

Wilkins truly believes in this mission, and writes, "Our work makes a difference. It makes a difference to Native American Tribes who can freely visit their sacred places. It makes a difference to the science of archaeology, which will have places to research in the future. It makes a difference to children and adults learning about different cultures at our preserves across the United States. And, it makes a difference to me, because I have come full circle and am now working to preserve those things I found so fascinating during my childhood."

The Archaeological Conservancy is the only national, nonprofit organization that identifies, acquires, and preserves the most significant archaeological sites in the United States. Since its beginning in 1980, the Conservancy has now preserved 500 sites across the nation, ranging in age from the earliest habitation sites in North America to a 19th-century frontier army post. We are building a national system of archaeological preserves to ensure the survival of our irreplaceable cultural heritage.

Wilkins will further elucidate Greenspace and The Archaeological Conservancy's joint efforts to protect these heritage sites in Cambria. He plans to talk about his organization's efforts throughout California and the West, as well as what you can do to help!

There is a suggested donation of \$10 at the door. All proceeds will go to the campaign to preserve these sites. Rabobank is located at 1070 Main St, Cambria, California 93428

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