

October 25, 2004; Agenda Item No. 11

Resolution No. 04-85

RESOLUTION OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY AUTHORIZING A GRANT OF PROPOSITION 50 FUNDS TO THE MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY FOR ACQUISITION OF PACOIMA WASH-SAN FERNANDO AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT PROPERTY (APN 2513-033-006, 2513-033-007, 2513-033-008), CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, CONTINGENT UPON ATTORNEY GENERAL APPROVAL.

WHEREAS, The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy is authorized to award grants to government agencies pursuant to Section 33204(c) of the Public Resources Code; and

WHEREAS, The State of California has authorized expenditure of funds from Proposition 50, the Water Quality, Supply and Safe Drinking Water Projects. Coastal Wetlands Purchase and Protection Act to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for capital outlay and grants to acquire and protect coastal wetlands and watersheds; and

WHEREAS, The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority has made a request for a grant from Proposition 50, specifically Water Code Section 79570(c) in compliance with Section 79508; and

WHEREAS, The proposed project is consistent with the Santa Monica Mountains Comprehensive Plan, the Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor Master Plan and the San Gabriel and Los Angeles River Watershed and Open Space Plan as adopted by the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy; and

WHEREAS, The proposed project is located within the Upper Los Angeles River Watershed; and

WHEREAS, The proposed project is consistent with the Conservancy's Strategic Objective to expand efforts to integrate nature into the urban environment; and

WHEREAS, The proposed project protects land and water resources; and

WHEREAS, The proposed project will be reviewed by the Attorney General to determine if it is in compliance with the General Obligation Bond Law; and

WHEREAS, The proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); Now

*Therefore Be It Resolved*, That the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy hereby:

1. FINDS that the proposed action is consistent with the Santa Monica Mountains Comprehensive Plan and the Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor Master Plan.
2. FINDS that the proposed project is consistent with the San Gabriel and Los Angeles River Watershed and Open Space Plan as adopted by the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy.
3. FINDS that the proposed project is located within the Upper Los Angeles River Watershed.
4. FINDS that the proposed action is consistent with the Conservancy's Strategic Objectives.
5. FINDS that the proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
6. ADOPTS the staff report and recommendations dated October 25, 2004 for this item.
7. AUTHORIZES a grant to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority in the amount of \$560,000 for acquisition of Pacoima Wash-San Fernando Airport Development property, contingent upon Attorney General approval.
8. FURTHER AUTHORIZES the Chairperson to execute the grant agreement and to perform any and all acts necessary to carry out this resolution; without limiting the generality of the foregoing, such authority shall include those provisions that he shall determine in the exclusive exercise of his discretion are necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution and to comply with the policies of the Conservancy, and to otherwise carry out the provisions of state law and regulations.

*~ End of Resolution ~*

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, duly noticed and held according to law, on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2004 at Beverly Hills, California.

Dated:

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Executive Director