

## Memorandum

To : The Conservancy  
The Advisory Committee

Date : December 6, 2004

From :   
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Subject: **Agenda Item 12: Consideration of resolution amending grant agreement SMM-0482, a grant to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, to specify funding grant from FY 2003-04 Proposition 40 funds.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Conservancy adopt the following resolution authorizing an amendment of grant agreement SMM-0482, a grant to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, to specify funding grant from Proposition 40 as appropriated in the Budget Act of 2003.

Legislative Authority:

Section 5096.605 (c) of the Public Resources Code provides:

"Development includes, but is not limited to, improvement, rehabilitation, restoration, enhancement, preservation, protection, and interpretation."

Section 5096.605 (j) of the Public Resources Code provides:

"Preservation means identification, evaluation, recordation, documentation, interpretation, protection, rehabilitation, restoration, stabilization, development, and reconstruction, or any combination of those activities."

Section 5096.650 (b) of the Public Resource Code provides:

The sum of... to the conservancies in accordance with the particular provisions of the statute creating each conservancy for acquisition, development...of land and water resources; for grant..., and in accordance with the following schedule: (3) To the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy... \$40,000,000.

Section 33204.27 (a) of the Public Resources Code provides, in part, as follows:

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The Conservancy may award grants to school districts or other local agencies for any of the purposes for which it may award grants to nonprofit organizations pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 33204.2

Background: At the September 27, 2004 meeting of the Conservancy a grant of Proposition 40 funds was authorized to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for interpretation of land, air and water resources. Though neither the staff report nor the resolution referenced the fiscal year of the funding source, an attachment erroneously referenced Proposition 40 fiscal year 04-05. This grant is in fact from Proposition 40 as appropriated in the Budget Act of 2003. The scope of work and funded amount of \$278, 212 remains the same.