

December 6, 2004; Agenda Item No. 15

Resolution No. 04-101

RESOLUTION OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY AUTHORIZING A GRANT
OF PROPOSITION 40 FUNDS TO THE MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION
AUTHORITY FOR VERDUGO MOUNTAINS-MAJORS PROPERTY ACQUISITION
(APN 2545-016-005; 2545-017-007, 2545-019-001,-004,-008,-010,-011;
2545-020-001; 2546-009-006; 2546-010-011; 2546-011-002,-004),
LOS ANGELES

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 40, the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for capital outlay and grants for the acquisition, development, rehabilitation, restoration, and protection of land and water resources (Section 5096.650(b)); and

WHEREAS, The MRCA has made a request for a grant from Proposition 40, Article 5, Section 5096.650 (b); and

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

WHEREAS, The proposed project is consistent with the Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project is consistent with the Conservancy's Strategic Objectives to implement the Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor Master Plan and link key habitat areas strategically to protect species and ecosystems through acquisition and cooperation with other resource management agencies; and

WHEREAS, The proposed action is exempt from 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 Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor Master Plan and the Conservancy's Strategic Objectives.

2. FINDS that the proposed action will protect land and water resources and is eligible for funding under Proposition 40, Article 5, Section 5096.650(b).
3. FINDS that the proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
4. ADOPTS the staff report and recommendations dated December 6, 2004 for this item.
5. AUTHORIZES a grant of Proposition 40 funds to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority in the amount of \$1,005,000.00 for the Verdugo Mountains-Majors property acquisition.
6. 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 6th day of December, 2004 at Glendale, California.

Dated:

Executive Director