

# **MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY**

## **Governing Board Meeting April 2, 2014**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** pursuant to Government Code § 54954 that the Governing Board of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority will hold a regular meeting on Wednesday, April 2, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. at the Conejo Recreation and Park District, 403 West Hillcrest Drive, Thousand Oaks, California.

### AGENDA

- I. Call to order.
- II. Roll call.
- III. Public Testimony on all agenda items and public comment on matters not on the agenda.
- IV. Approval of Minutes.
- V. Reports from Staff:
  - (a) Legal;
  - (b) Ranger Services;
  - (c) Fire Division;
  - (d) Natural Resources and Planning;
  - (e) Interpretation;
  - (f) Developed Resources;
  - (g) Construction;
  - (h) Finance.
- VI. Consent Calendar:
  - (a) Consideration of resolution adopting the MRCA Warrant Disbursements for the period of March 1, 2014 to March 21, 2014.
  - (b) Consideration of resolution authorizing a professional services contract for external audit services with Moss, Levy, and Hartzheim, LLP.
  - (c) Consideration of resolution authorizing a contract with Michael Burke for solar energy consulting services.

- (d) Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of conservation easements over portions of APN 4379-030-020 (14730 Mulholland Drive), approximately 3.96-acres combined, in Upper Stone Canyon, City of Los Angeles.
  - (e) Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant to the InterEnvironment Institute, a 501(c)3 organization, for the ten-month project "Introducing more Urban People to the Natural World: Cross Promotion between Urban Protected Areas and Natural History Museums and Similar Institutions.
  - (f) Consideration of resolution authorizing staff participation in the NAI International Heritage Interpretation Conference in Suncheon Bay, South Korea.
  - (g) Consideration of resolution authorizing MRCA staff participation in the 2014 World Parks Congress in Sydney, Australia.
- VII. Consideration of resolution authorizing the use of mitigation funds to acquire APN 3212-004-017 approximately 5.8 acres in Agua Dulce Canyon, unincorporated Los Angeles County.
- VIII. Consideration of resolution authorizing acquisition of and accepting funding for the following 24 APNs: 4457-004-056 through 072, 4457-005-012, 015, 017, 027, 028; 4458-031-001 and 002, totaling approximately 703 acres located in Puerco Canyon in unincorporated Los Angeles County and the City of Malibu. Negotiators: Joseph T. Edmiston and Stan Lampert and Steve Wiseman for Oklahoma State Realty 1, LLC, Watercrest Property 1, LLC, Pan Pacific Realty 1, LLC, Western Real Estate Company 1, LLC, and Wind Realty 1, LLC. Under consideration: price and terms. (This item may be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code section 54956.8.)
- IX. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant application to and acceptance of grant funds from the Wildlife Conservation Board for the purchase of the following 24 APNs: 4457-004-056 through 072, 4457-005-012, 015, 017, 027, 028; 4458-031-001 and 002, totaling approximately 703 acres located in Puerco Canyon in unincorporated Los Angeles County and the City of Malibu.
- X. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant application to and acceptance of grant funds from the State Coastal Conservancy for the purchase of the following 24 APNs: 4457-004-056 through 072, 4457-005-012, 015, 017, 027, 028; 4458-031-001 and 002, totaling approximately 703 acres located in Puerco Canyon in unincorporated Los Angeles County and the City of Malibu.

- XI. Consideration of resolution authorizing application to and entering into a project agreement with the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District for the acquisition of the 703-acre Puerco Canyon property, incorporated and unincorporated Malibu.
- XII. Consideration of resolution authorizing the acceptance of fee simple or conservation easement interests on APNs 2064-005-011 (27.43 acres) and 2064-005-015 (2.62 acres) along the 101 freeway corridor and associated funding in cooperation with the City of Calabasas, unincorporated Los Angeles County. (
- XIII. Consideration of resolution assigning the right to apply for First Supervisorial Big Five Excess Funds to the City of Los Angeles for the Vertical Park Project in Chinatown.
- XIV. Consideration of resolution assigning the right to apply for First Supervisorial Big Five Excess Funds to the Little Tokyo Service Center for the Budokan Project.
- XV. Consideration of resolution assigning the right to apply for First Supervisorial Big Five Excess Funds to the County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation for the Whittier Narrows – San Gabriel Foothills County Trails Signage Project.
- XVI. Consideration of resolution assigning the right to apply for First Supervisorial Big Five Excess Funds to The Performing Arts Center of Los Angeles County, commonly known as The Music Center, for the Grand Park Playground Project.
- XVII. Consideration of resolution supporting AB 1767 (Holden).
- XVIII. Closed Session.

The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority may hold a closed session on the following items pursuant to Government Code §§ 54956.8 and 54956.9 Confidential memoranda related to these items may be considered during such closed session discussions.

Conference with legal counsel. Number of cases: nine (9). (1) *Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority v. City of Malibu*, Case No. SC092212 and related actions; (2) *Malibu-Encinal Homeowners Association v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority*, Case No. BC431798; (3) *Morris v. City of Los Angeles, et al.*, Case No. BC448511; (4) *Everett v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority*, Case No. BC466880; (5) *Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority v. City of Whittier, Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, Los Angeles County*

*Regional Park and Open Space District, et al.*, Case No. BS136211, and related cases, (6) *Friends of the Hastain Trail, et al. v. Coldwater Investments, et al.*, Case No. BC469573; (7) *Prop "A" Protective Association, LLC v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, et al.*, Case No. BS 145771 and related cases; (8) *Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District, The Trust for Public Land, et al. v. City of Whittier, Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, et al.*, Case No. BS146670 and related cases; (9) *Ball v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority*, Case No. BC530090.

XIX. Announcement of future meetings and adjournment.

Public comment is welcome on any agenda item and matters not on the agenda. During the meeting, the Governing Board may hold a closed session on any item pursuant to Government Code §§ 54956.8 and 54956.9. Unless otherwise ordered, individuals will be allowed three minutes to speak and representatives and organizations/agencies will be given five minutes. For further information on any agenda item please contact Rorie Skei, Chief Deputy Executive Officer, at (310) 589-3230, extension 112.

Note: In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, if you require a disability-related modification or accommodation to attend or participate in this meeting, including auxiliary aids or services, please call James Yeramian at 310-589-3230, extension 118, at least 10 hours prior to the meeting.

Note: The entire agenda package and any meeting related writings or documents provided to a majority of the Board members after distribution of an agenda package, unless exempt from disclosure pursuant to California Law, will be available at the Conejo Recreation and Park District offices, 403 West Hillcrest Drive, Thousand Oaks, California.