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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM: 
Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Officer

DATE: September 3, 2008

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item VIII: Consideration of a resolution authorizing a contract with Environ to prepare a Phase I Environmental Assessments for properties on Compton Creek.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing a contract in the amount of \$15,200 with Environ to prepare a Phase I Environmental Assessments for properties on Compton Creek.

Background: The MRCA was previously awarded funds from the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District (Prop A) for projects along Compton Creek. A number of potential project locations along Compton Creek have been identified. MRCA is responsible for planning and construction of projects, and the City of Compton is responsible for on-going maintenance. The proposed action would allow Environ International Corporation to prepare a Phase I environmental Assessments of four potential sites adjacent to Compton Creek to determine their suitability as parks.

A Phase I Environmental Assessment report identifies potential and existing environmental contamination liabilities. The report describes potential contamination to soil, groundwater, and surface water.

The contract conforms with MRCA's Purchasing and Contracting Procedures with a bidding process not needed for professional services contracts less than \$25,000. Environ has previously completed satisfactory Phase I Environmental Assessments for the MRCA.