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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: July 7, 2010

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item IX: Consideration of resolution authorizing augmentation of contract with Dudek and Associates, Inc. for work on the Malibu Parks Public Access Enhancement Plan – Public Works Plan and associated Environmental Impact Report.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing augmentation of contract with Dudek and Associates, Inc. for work on the Malibu Parks Public Access Enhancement Plan – Public Works Plan and associated Environmental Impact Report in an amount not to exceed \$550,000.

Background: Dudek and Associates, Inc. has been the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority's principal consultant on the preparation of the Malibu Parks Public Access Enhancement Plan-Public Works Plan and Environmental Impact Report since 2007. At its February 10, 2010 meeting, the Governing Board authorized a contract augmentation to Dudek for \$425,000 based on various Final EIR alternatives assumptions and timelines for getting to the California Coastal Commission in June 2010. Those FEIR alternatives assumptions changed substantially, a California Coastal Commission hearing will not occur until this fall, and the volume and depth of DEIR comments were greater than anticipated. The FEIR is expected to be circulated in the first week of August 2010.

To address the growth of Dudek's scope of work, Dudek submitted the attached proposal for a contract augmentation dated June 22, 2010 (the letter has a typo saying July 22nd) for the amount of \$478,950. It is a highly detailed proposal with extensive background. It continues the framework of separating the costs for PWP and FEIR preparation. The \$478,950 encompasses a few tasks that staff anticipates will not happen, which ideally will result in less cost. However, given the public investment to date it is prudent to be contractually prepared. Staff is recommending authorization adding \$71,050 to this base amount to allow Dudek to subcontract with consultants that may be deemed necessary to fortify findings in the FEIR and PWP.

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On June 28th the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy approved the Chair's request to augment SMM-0776 by \$1.1 million. This proposed Dudek contract augmentation is within the budget submitted to the Conservancy. SMM-0776 also now includes Malibu Bluffs Park in its scope.