



MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: April 3, 2013

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item VI(b): Consideration of resolution authorizing a budget augmentation to the grant to the Los Angeles Conservation Corps for the Compton Creek-Washington Elementary School Natural Park project.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing a budget augmentation to the grant to the Los Angeles Conservation Corps for the Compton Creek-Washington Elementary School Natural Park project in the amount of \$40,206.

Background: The first phase of the four acre Compton Creek-Washington Elementary School Natural Park project converts two acres behind Washington Elementary School into a public park with native riparian plantings, stormwater best management practices, interpretative signs, an amphitheater, walking trails, and multi-purpose areas. Future phases of the project will include construction of a public restroom, a facility for LACC's at-risk youth programs, and active play elements. The project is a partnership between Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA), Compton Unified School District (CUSD), City of Compton, Los Angeles Conservation Corps, and County of Los Angeles.

The project is being constructed by the Los Angeles Conservation Corps. The Corps have requested additional funding to complete the fencing and paving. The amount requested at this time exceeds the amount previously authorized by the Board for this project, so approval of the budget augmentation in the amount of \$40,206 is needed.