



# MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM:   
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DATE: April 16, 2015

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item VI : Consideration of resolution authorizing a donation to the California Trails Conference Foundation for the 2015 Trails and Greenways Conference.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing a donation to the California Trails Foundation for the 2015 Trails and Greenways Conference.

Background: The Trails and Greenways Conference is an important annual gathering of park professionals which provides the premier state forum for in-depth information on every aspect of open space, trails, and greenways creation, preservation, accessibility, management, stewardship, maintenance, and education interpretation. The mission of the California Trails Conference Foundation is to inspire recreational trail leadership through the annual California Trails and Greenways Conference. To achieve this mission, the Foundation, in collaboration with California State Parks, creates venues that will enable trail professionals and advocates to learn from a broad range of high quality educational sessions.

The Conference has been an important professional development for MRCA staff as well as providing an opportunity to share MRCA projects and best practices with our colleagues from around the state. This year MRCA will participate on three panel discussions. The Conference is supported by California State Parks and the donations to the California Trails Foundation.

Consideration: Staff is proposing a donation of \$5,000 from unrestricted revenue.