

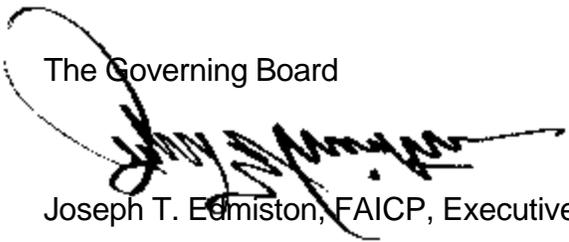


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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM:  Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Executive Officer

DATE: November 1, 2004

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item V(b): Consideration of resolution accepting a grant from the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for the Pacoima Wash acquisition, City of San Fernando.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution accepting grants from the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for the Pacoima Wash acquisition, City of San Fernando.

Background: On October 6, 2004, the Governing Board authorized acquisition of the subject property (APNs 2513-033-006, 2513-033-007, 2513-033-008). The proposed action will provide the funding necessary to complete the acquisition.

At its October 25, 2004 meeting, the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy (SMMC) authorized a grant to the MRCA of Proposition 50 funds for the Pacoima Wash acquisition in the sum of \$ 560,000. The MRCA submitted a grant application to the Conservancy for funding from Proposition 50. The acquisition would protect land and water resources and it is in the upper Los Angeles River Watershed and the Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor.

The SMMC requested the Attorney General's office to advise whether the grant is in compliance with applicable laws. The grant would be given only if the Attorney General finds that the proposed grant is in compliance with the General Obligation Bond Law and Proposition 50. The draft grant agreement and the application to the SMMC are attached.