



# MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM:   
Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Executive Officer

DATE: May 11, 2005

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item V(e): Consideration of resolution authorizing a sole source contract with Brett Goldstone for fabrication of artistic gates for Westridge Mandeville Canyon Trailhead Improvements, Los Angeles.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing a sole source contract with Brett Goldstone for fabrication of artistic gates for Westridge Mandeville Canyon Trail head Improvements in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.

Background: The Westridge Mandeville Canyon Trailhead Improvements project will be constructed of stone pilasters and ornamental iron gates at the terminus of Westridge Road. The enhancements will mark the entrance to the parking area and trailhead. This design will be similar to several places on the Los Angeles River where decorative gates exist.

Brett Goldstone, an artist who created several decorative gates on the Los Angeles River, including the Great Heron gates and the Water with Rocks gates at Fletcher Drive, is an independent artist. Mr. Goldstone recently purchased the insurance required by MRCA for contractors so that he could better oversee his artistic installations. He has hired as subcontractor Terra Form for the stone work. The three bid process is not a standard practice for artistic services contracts.

Los Angeles County Proposition A and State Proposition 40 are funding sources for this project.

The contract with Brett Goldstone will not exceed \$50,000.