



## MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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### MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM:   
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DATE: April 20, 2006

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item VIII: Consideration of resolution authorizing application to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for a grant of Proposition 40 funds for park improvements, including overlooks and wayside exhibits, along Highway 2 and Highway 39 in the Angeles National Forest.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing application to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for a grant of Proposition 40 funds for park improvements, including overlooks and wayside exhibits, along Highway 2 and Highway 39 in the Angeles National Forest.

Background: The Angeles Crest Scenic Byway was designated as a California State Scenic Highway in 1971 and as a National Forest Scenic Byway in 1990. This 55 mile stretch travels through the Angeles National Forest and provides access to spectacular land, air and water resources within minutes of Los Angeles. This grant of \$500,000 would fund design and implementation of overlooks and wayside exhibits along Highway 2 that will serve as an entrance to the scenic byway. This includes improvements to existing overlooks, an entrance sign to the forest and scenic byway, fencing, planting, and interpretive exhibits and the creation of new overlooks. These improvements will be designed in close cooperation with the staff of the Angeles National Forest and the Angeles Crest Scenic Highway Corridor Management Plan.

In addition to the improvements on Highway 2, this grant will fund improvements to the existing overlook and interpretive display on Highway 39 overlooking the Tujunga Dam.

This grant is contingent upon approval by the Attorney General.