



# MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: March 3, 2010

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item V(b): Consideration of resolution authorizing the use of Santa Monica Mountains Open Space Preservation Assessment District No. 1 Area B funds to acquire parcels in Los Angeles County Chapter 8 Agreements 2619, 2646, and 2649, Beverly Glen, City of Los Angeles.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing the use of Santa Monica Mountains Open Space Preservation Assessment District No. 1 Area B funds to acquire parcels in Los Angeles County Chapter 8 Agreements 2619, 2646, and 2649, Beverly Glen, City of Los Angeles.

Background: The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) commonly enters into Chapter 8 Agreements with Los Angeles County to acquire tax defaulted properties. The MRCA has acquired over 1,500 acres through this process.

The tables below for Chapter 8 Agreements 2619, 2646, and 2649 include the parcels, sizes, general location, and current cost to the MRCA. The cost estimate is projected through July 2011. Unfortunately, the cost of the parcels increases substantially every year as penalties and back taxes increase. That rate of increase is approximately 1.5 percent per month, for a total of 18 percent annually. A brief description of the parcel follows along with attached aerial photograph with the parcel boundaries.

The acquisition of all parcels were approved by the Citizen's Oversight Committee at their meeting in July of 2009.

**Agreement Number 2619**

<b>APN</b>	<b>Acreage</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Price</b>
4379-020-005	0.06	Upper Beverly Glen	\$13,000
4379-020-006	0.06	Upper Beverly Glen	\$13,000
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>0.12</b>		<b>\$26,000</b>

**Agreement Number 2646**

<b>APN</b>	<b>Acreage</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Price</b>
4380-017-019	0.25	Central Beverly Glen	\$4,100
4380-017-051	0.06	Central Beverly Glen	\$2,100
4380-031-008	0.05	Upper Beverly Glen	\$8,500
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>0.36</b>		<b>\$14,700</b>

**Agreement Number 2649**

<b>APN</b>	<b>Acreage</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Price</b>
4371-005-004	0.12	Central Beverly Glen	\$900
4371-020-025	0.29	Lower Beverly Glen.	\$4,700
4371-042-005	0.41	Central Beverly Glen	\$7,300
4379-003-010	0.07	Upper Beverly Glen	\$1,100
4379-022-010	0.06	Upper Beverly Glen	\$2,200
4379-022-020	0.07	Upper Beverly Glen	\$3,200
4379-022-021	0.06	Upper Beverly Glen	\$3,200
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1.08</b>		<b>\$22,600</b>

**Beverly Glen**

These parcels, scattered within Beverly Glen, all contain high quality chaparral habitat. Acquisition of the parcel reduces the probability of future lot line adjustments and the associated ecological and viewshed impacts. All complement existing patchwork of Los Angeles City and MRCA open space on both slopes of canyon.