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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM: 
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DATE: July 12, 2006

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item VI(j): Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of a conservation easement over APN 5565-033-018 between Skyline and Green Valley Roads, upper Laurel Canyon watershed, Los Angeles.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing acceptance of a conservation easement over APN 5565-033-018 between Skyline and Green Valley Roads, upper Laurel Canyon watershed, Los Angeles.

Background: This property is located in an area of interest to the MRCA. The property is located between Green Valley Road and Skyline Road in the Laurel Canyon area of the Ballona Creek watershed. The owner of the adjoining property wants to ensure the preservation of the parcel.

It is not advisable to acquire this parcel in fee simple due to brush clearance responsibilities. By accepting this conservation easement, the MRCA can maintain an open space area with minimal effort.

Acceptance of this conservation easement would provide general benefit for Santa Monica Mountains Open Space Preservation District No. 1.