



## MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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### MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM:  Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Executive Officer

DATE: July 2, 2014

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item XVIII: Consideration of resolution authorizing the acquisition of an approximately 8-acre parcel (APN 4448-029-022) in Las Flores Canyon using Proposition A funds, unincorporated Los Angeles County.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing the acquisition of an approximately 8-acre parcel (APN 4448-029-022) in Las Flores Canyon using Proposition A funds, unincorporated Los Angeles County.

Background: The subject 8.05-acre parcel (APN 4448-029-022) abuts Las Flores Canyon Road, and across from and south of a portion of Tuna Canyon Park owned by the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority. The parcel is part of a wildlife corridor linking Las Flores Canyon to Carbon Canyon in the west.

The parcel provides critical trail linkage opportunities for the Coastal Slope Trail from Tuna Canyon Park into Carbon Canyon. The portion of the Coastal Slope Trail on this parcel provides scenic views of the Pacific Ocean and the Santa Monica Mountains, as well as habitat protection for native plants and wildlife, which greatly benefit from open space protection and conservation when parcels of the trail are acquired.

As a condition of the sale, the parcel will be preserved as the Tom and Giselle Hennesy Nature Preserve in honor of the family's contributions to the Malibu community over their residency in the area. Proposition A funds from an existing Coastal Slope Trail project agreement will be used to acquire the subject parcel (APN 4448-029-022). See the attached map figure with the proposed Coastal Slope Trail alignment through the parcel.