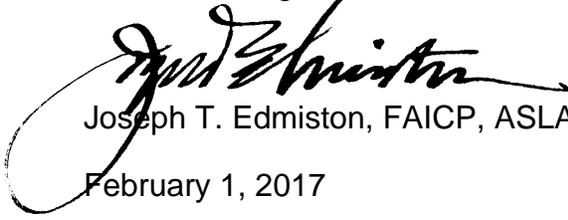


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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: February 1, 2017

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item VI(h): Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of donation of approximately 5 acres, APN 4464-020-055, Bulldog Motorway vicinity, Los Angeles County.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing acceptance of an offer of dedicated land in area of the Bulldog Motorway, unincorporated Los Angeles County.

Background: The parcel is open space land with no roads or nearby structures and is near other agency-owned open space parcels as shown on the attached map. The dedication is offered pursuant to a Ventura County requirement for an offsite mitigation measure for a county development application at 10751 Yerba Buena Road. See attached documents, noting "Mitigation Measure BIO-6: Compensatory Mitigation for Impacts on Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Area (ESHA)" which calls for at least a 2:1 mitigation to impact ratio, totaling a minimum of 3.2 acres to be preserved offsite. The parcel offered for dedication contains 86% undisturbed chaparral, 8% coastal sage scrub, and 6% coast live oak woodland. No property inspection has been made given its remoteness, but mapping indicates no issues that would forestall acceptance of the property for habitat preservation. The applicant would be responsible for meeting all the Ventura County Planning Department's requirements for the compensatory mitigation, and staff will seek funding from the applicant for any legal staff time costs to process the land acceptance.