

**SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY
GRANT APPLICATION**

Project Name: Tujunga Wash Stream Restoration	Amount of Request: \$ 100,000 Total Project Cost: \$ 5,525,000
Applicant Name: Mountains Recreation & Conservation Authority	Amount of Match: \$ 5,425,000 Source of Match: Prop 12, 13, A
Applicant Address: 570 West Avenue 26, Suite 100 Los Angeles, CA 90065 Phone: 323-221-9944 Fax: 323-221-9934	Project Address: Flood Control easement along Tujunga Wash between Oxnard and Vanowen
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Grantee's Authorized Representative:
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Brief Scope of Work (60 words maximum):
 Construction of park improvements to Tujunga Wash right-of-way between Oxnard and Vanowen Streets, including grading, pathways, native landscaping, irrigation, and visitor amenities.

Funding Source Applied for: Proposition 50

Narrative/Project Description:
 Tujunga Wash is a nine-mile rectangular channel constructed between 1950 and 1952 by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. It conveys runoff from Hansen Dam to the Wash's confluence with the Los Angeles River. The channel flows through highly urbanized residential and commercial areas in the City of Los Angeles. Outside of flood control, the concrete-lined channel offers very little benefit to the community and environment. There is approximately 65 feet of Los Angeles County Flood Control District owned right of way along both sides of the channel that currently lacks landscaping and recreational amenities.

The subject project extends from Oxnard Street to Vanowen Street, a distance of approximately 6,100 feet, on both sides of Tujunga Wash. The area consists of a highly urbanized residential and commercial area in the Valley Glen community of the City of Los Angeles. After several community input meetings and studies of restoration alternatives, the improvements chosen included an alternative naturalized stream course on the west bank of the channel, habitat restoration on both sides of the channel, pathways for people to walk and bike, and interpretive exhibits, all within the existing flood control right of way.

The constructed stream mimics a small tributary in this region, having a natural, unlined streambed

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and ephemeral flows. By intercepting flow from the main channel and allowing runoff to flow through a naturalized stream, the project reduces flood potential and improves water quality by reducing pollutants from the urban flows. The project will also create riparian habitat for a number of species adapted to the urban environment. Decorative fencing and gates will replace the existing chainlink and barbed wire fencing and gates. The project area will be open from sunrise to sunset.

Over \$5 million in grant funds has already been secured through the County of Los Angeles, The California Department of Water Resources, and the Resources Agency. The MRCA is implementing the project in close cooperation with the Los Angeles County Public Works' Watershed Management Division.

The MRCA already has a contractor in place and construction is anticipated to be substantially complete by April 30, 2007. The requested funds would be put to immediate use to augment the construction budget for the project. The MRCA requests that the term of agreement begin November 29, 2006 and end no earlier than December 31, 2007.

Tasks / Milestones:	Budget:	Completion Date
1 Park Improvements	\$ 100,000	December 31, 2007

Acquisition Projects: **APN(s):** N/A
Acreage: N/A

I certify that the information contained in this Grant Application form, including required attachments, is accurate.

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Signature of Authorized Representative

Date

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