MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: January 5, 2011

SUBJECT: Agenda Item VIII: Consideration of resolution confirming acceptance of the end of the year donation of approximately 3.4 acres of land located on the Coastal Slope Trail alignment from Jon B. Lovelace and Lillian P. Lovelace, Trustees of the Lovelace Family Trust dated May 21, 1990 as amended, APN 4453-016-001, County of Los Angeles.

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution confirming acceptance of the end of the year donation of approximately 3.4 acres of land located on the Coastal Slope Trail alignment from Jon B. Lovelace and Lillian P. Lovelace, Trustees of the Lovelace Family Trust dated May 21, 1990 as amended, APN 4453-016-001, County of Los Angeles.

Background: The subject parcel is located approximately 0.70 miles north of Pacific Coast Highway, less than 0.65 miles east of the MRCA-owned Sweetwater Mesa property, and less than 0.65 miles west of Tuna Canyon Park. (See attached maps.) The subject parcel is a key part of the current proposed alignment of the Coastal Slope Trail. The habitat found on the property consists primarily of mixed northern chaparral and an ephemeral drainage course which is a part of the Carbon Canyon watershed.

This property would be the third of the Coastal Slope Trail properties that the MRCA would acquire between Sweetwater Mesa and Rambla Pacifico.