MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: March 2nd, 2011

SUBJECT: Agenda Item V(b): Consideration of resolution entering into a professional services contract with Green Leaf G.T.H. Inc. for weed abatement and fire-fuel reduction on Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority managed properties funded by Proposition 84 (SMR).

Staff Recommendation: That the MRCA Governing Board adopt the attached resolution and approve a weed abatement servicing contract with Green Leaf G.T.H. Inc. Funded by Proposition 84 (SMR).


Background: The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority performs required fire-fuels reduction and fire clearance work on properties located within the Proposition 84 boundaries. This fire clearance work is necessary to protect homes, businesses, and other public and private structures from wildfire. Proposition 84 provides the funding for this contract. Proposition 84 provides for the protection and restoration of natural and developed resources by removal of invasive plant species, reduction of hazardous fire-fuel loads, and erosion protection.

Competitive Bidding Procedures: The bidding procedures were as follows, an advertisement was taken out in the Los Angeles Times newspaper, bidders were given thirty (30) days to bid and respond to the ad. The low bidder for the proposal was:

Green Leaf G.T.H. Inc. - $67,760.00 for a ten (10) man crew for forty four (44) days, eight (8) hours a day.