

MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: March 2nd, 2011

SUBJECT: Agenda Item V(e): Consideration of resolution entering into a professional services contract with Green Leaf G.T.H. Inc. for weed abatement and firefuels reduction on Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority managed properties funded by Santa Monica Mountains Open Space Preservation District No. 2.

<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> 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 Santa Monica Mountains Open Space Preservation District No. 2.

<u>Legislative Authority:</u> *Government Code Section 6500 et seq. -* Joint Exercise of Powers Act.

<u>Background:</u> The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority performs required fire-fuels reduction and fire clearance work on properties. This fire clearance work is necessary to protect homes, businesses, and other public and private structures from wildfire. Santa Monica Mountains Open Space Preservation District No.2 provides the funding for this contract.

<u>Competitive Bidding Procedures</u>: 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. - \$101,640.00 for a twenty (20) man crew for thirty three (33) days, eight (8) hours a day.