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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: July 19, 2012

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item VII(e): Consideration of resolution adopting Engineer's Report, confirming the annual levy of maintenance assessment for fiscal year 2012-2013 and directing related actions for the Santa Monica Mountains Open Space Preservation Assessment District No. 1, Los Angeles.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution adopting Engineer's Report and confirming the annual levy of maintenance assessment for fiscal year 2012-2013 and directing related actions for the Santa Monica Mountains Open Space Preservation Assessment District No. 1.

Background: On August 21, 2002 in its Resolution No. 02-106, this Board adopted the Engineers Report, confirmed the Assessment, and directed related actions for Santa Monica Mountains Open Space Preservation Assessment District No. 1 under the Municipal Improvement Act of 1913, Division 12 of the Streets and Highways Code of California (the "Act"). This Board declared its intention to levy an assessment for maintenance, repair or improvement, including all expenses required to keep the acquisitions and improvements in fit operating condition. Each year, this Board must take action to levy this maintenance assessment.

On June 6, 2012, this Board preliminarily approved the updated Engineer's Report for the District, and also set the date, time and place for a required public hearing and final action on the Engineer's Report. Subsequently, the originally scheduled hearing date was changed to July 19, 2012. Appropriate notice of the change was posted at the meeting site and on the agency website. Notice of today's hearing was also published in the LA Daily News.