



# MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: April 3, 2013

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item X: Consideration of resolution authorizing the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority to manage the designated Los Angeles River recreation zone located in the City of Los Angeles and utilize the MRCA Park Ordinance to regulate park and Public Trust Doctrine activities.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority to manage the designated Los Angeles River recreation zone located in the City of Los Angeles and utilize the MRCA Park Ordinance to regulate park and Public Trust Doctrine activities.

Background: The City of Los Angeles has passed a resolution designating the MRCA as the management authority for the Los Angeles River recreation zone, contingent upon MRCA Board acceptance.

The recreation zone will be open for public use from Memorial Day to Labor Day. MRCA staff has participated in the planning process for the recreation zone, and will provide ranger and park staff staffing to manage and support the program.

Wayfinding and regulatory signs will be provided through funding provided by the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Signs will be installed by the Los Angeles Conservation Corps at no cost to the MRCA.

The recreation zone will be managed as MRCA parkland, utilizing exiting policies and procedures. A key feature of the recreation zone will be boating access free of charge or permits for individual park visitors. Groups will be required to obtain a permit from the MRCA and provide proof of liability insurance.

Los Angeles City, County of Los Angeles and United States Army Corps of Engineers staff reports are attached.