

MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

May 1, 2013 — Agenda Item IX

Resolution No. 13-67

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL CONSERVANCY FOR AN “EXPLORE THE COAST” GRANT FOR TRANSIT TO TRAILS PROGRAMS.

Resolved, that the governing board of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) hereby:

1. FINDS that the California State Coastal Conservancy (Conservancy) is soliciting applications from public agencies and nonprofit organizations for grants for projects that facilitate and enhance the public's opportunities to “Explore the Coast”.
2. FINDS that purpose of this grant program is to support activities that allow more people to explore California's spectacular coast and/or enhance a visitor's experience.
3. FINDS that the “Explore the Coast” program is funded in part by the WHALE TAIL® Grants Program.
4. FINDS that WHALE TAIL grants support programs that teach California's children and the general public to value and take action to improve the health of the state's marine and coastal resources.
5. FINDS that the MRCA Transit to Trails program meets the goals of the California Coastal Conservancy to increases the number of people visiting the coast; provides a valuable recreational, environmental, cultural or historic learning experience; serves lower-income or other under served populations; and Increase stewardship of coastal resources.
6. FINDS that the proposed action is categorically exempt from the provisions for the California Environmental Quality Act.
7. ADOPTS the staff report and recommendations dated May 1, 2013.
8. AUTHORIZES an application to the California Coastal Conservancy “Explore the Coast” program for a grant up to \$50,000.

9. FURTHER AUTHORIZES the Chairperson to execute the grant agreement and to perform any and all acts necessary to carry out this resolution; without limiting the generality of the foregoing, such authority shall include those provisions that he shall determine in the exclusive exercise of his discretion are necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution and to comply with the policies of the Conservancy, and to otherwise carry out the provisions of state law and regulations.

Chair

AYES:

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ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Governing Board of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, duly noticed and held according to law, on the 1st day of May, 2013.

Date:

Executive Officer