



MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: September 4, 2013

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item VIII: Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of 54.4 acre open space dedication in the Triunfo Canyon watershed associated with PM 071223, unincorporated Los Angeles County.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing acceptance of a 54.4-acre open space dedication in the Triunfo Canyon watershed associated with PM 071223, unincorporated Los Angeles County.

Background: The owner of APNs 2063-018-023 and 039, that abut the east side of Kanan Dume Road, is required to make a 54.4-acre fee simple land dedication to a public agency as part of a Parcel Map approval. Los Angeles County has accepted key trail easements through the two parcels and prefers another public agency to hold fee title. Attachments provide some background and detailed maps regarding the specific location of the 54.4 acres spread between two parcels. The subject open space dedication abuts existing Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) land, includes two County trail alignments, and includes riparian habitat. The land has the highest priority Fee Acquisition designation on the National Park Services *Land Protection Plan*.

The owner is paying for the title report and all required legal descriptions. The subject hillside is critical to the viewshed from Kanan Dume Road.