MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY



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MEMORANDUM

TO:

The Governing Board

FROM:

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

DATE:

July 2, 2014

SUBJECT:

Agenda Item XIX: Consideration of resolution authorizing entering into a Social Program Agreement with the County of Los Angeles.

<u>Staff Recommendation</u>: That the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) authorize entering into a Social Program Agreement with the County of Los Angeles.

<u>Legislative Authority</u>: Section 6500 *et seq.* and Section 26227of the Government Code.

<u>Background:</u> Government Code section 26777 authorizes the board of supervisors of any county in the state to appropriate funds to fund programs deemed to be necessary to meet the social needs of county residents. Under the County of Los Angeles's social program agreements, eligible programs include, but are not limited to law enforcement, public safety, recreational and educational programs along with programs that generally enhance the quality of life of county residents.

The MRCA has requested that LA County enter into a social program agreement (SPA) for the purpose of funding MRCA programs that further the project objectives stated above. Specifically, the MRCA is requesting funding for ranger public safety patrol on MRCA parkland, support of MRCA's fire prevention program, physical improvements to public parkland and facilities, planning and implementation of water quality projects, and the MRCA's youth-oriented environmental education and outdoor recreational programs.

The proposed SPA will be a one-time agreement for a proposed amount of \$540,000