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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: April 1, 2015

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item XII: Consideration of resolution ratifying the acquisition of 47.5 acres, APNs 4464-020-023, 025, 030, 042, 050, 051, 052, and 064, pursuant to Resolution No. 12-168, in the upper Malibu Creek watershed, County of Los Angeles.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution ratifying the acquisition of 47.5 acres, APNs 4464-020-023, 025, 030, 042, 050, 051, 052, and 064, pursuant to Resolution No. 12-168, in the upper Malibu Creek watershed, County of Los Angeles.

Background: On December 5, 2012, the Governing Board adopted a resolution approving the application for grant funds for the Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program under the Section 164-56 of the Streets and Highways Code for the Malibu Creek Acquisition Project. The grant was necessary to complete the final phase of the multi-agency Malibu Creek Conservation Project. The National Park Service (NPS) acquired the first phase in March 2011 with the acquisition of approximately 160 acres. The second phase, per the terms of the grant agreement, included the acquisition of approximately 47.5 acres. In cooperation with the Trust for Public Land, the second phase was completed on March 17, 2015. This board action simply ratifies the completion of this acquisition. The Malibu Creek Acquisition Project consolidated public ownership in one of the premiere scenic coastal canyon watersheds of the Santa Monica Mountains.