MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: August 5, 2015

SUBJECT: Agenda Item VII: Consideration of resolution adopting the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Interim Final Budget

Staff Recommendation: That the governing board adopt the attached resolution approving the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority FY 2015-2016 interim final budget.

Background: The governing boards are required to approve the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) annual budget per Section 11.3 of the MRCA Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement. On June 1, 2015, the board of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy (SMMC) approved MRCA’s preliminary budget. It was approved by the MRCA board on June 3, 2015, and by the boards of the Conejo Recreation and Park District (CRPD) and the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District (RSRPD) on June 4, 2015.

The MRCA’s interim final budget for FY 2015-2016 is now submitted for approval.

The budget was prepared using information available in grant and contract files, current and prior year actual revenue receipts and expenditures, and information regarding future funding. All MRCA staff positions are accounted for in project budgets, as are all task (project) related expenses and overhead costs.

It is expected that the final budget will be submitted to the various governing boards for approval in September, 2015.