

MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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## MEMORANDUM

TO:

The Governing Board Jóseph Edmiston, FAICP, Executive Officer

FROM:

DATE: December 2, 2015

SUBJECT: Agenda Item VI(e): Consideration of resolution affirming entering into a license agreement with the County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation for the Don Wallace Trail Mitigation Project (APNs 2052-012-906 and 2052-012-907), City of Calabasas.

<u>Staff Recommendation</u>: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution affirming entering into a license with the County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation for the Don Wallace Trail Mitigation Project.

<u>Background</u>: The Don Wallace Multi-Use Trail Mitigation Project is a proposed 1,500-foot long and 8 to 10-foot wide soil-cement multi-use trail segment, providing connectivity beneath the 101 freeway at the Las Virgenes Creek. The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority owns the property on the north side of the freeway. This trail section is the key to a larger planned regional trail system. A map of the proposed license agreement area is attached.

The Multi-Use Trail Connection Project is to be the County's first trail situated directly within the context of a "natural" drainage channel and a man-made drainage structure. The proposed trail connection project is planned to be elevated and fortified above grade-level to avoid a saturated trail tread.

Staff has inspected the site. To expedite the County process, staff signed the license agreement and now seeks Board authorization confirming this action.