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MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 5, 2017
TO: All Sworn Personnel
FROM: Fernando Gomez, Chief Ranger
SUBJECT: General Order 17-1

Rangers of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority are under no legal obligation to enforce Federal immigration laws or regulations. As such, MRCA Rangers are administratively restricted from doing so.

The preservation of the peace for all persons on MRCA park property is the **Highest Priority** for MRCA Park Rangers. California Penal Code Section 830.31(b) provides the legislative intent behind our peace officer powers, “. . . the primary duty of the officer is the protection of park and other property of the agency and the preservation of the peace therein.”

MRCA Rangers shall not enforce Federal immigration laws or base enforcement activities on actual or suspected immigration status. MRCA Rangers shall not act as an adjunct for Federal immigration personnel. If asked to assist Federal law enforcement officers engaged in immigration enforcement related activities, absent exigent circumstances, MRCA Rangers will decline and refer the requesting officer or agency to Penal Code Section 830.31(b).