



# MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: April 5, 2017

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item VI(b): Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of donation of approximately 0.36 acres, APN 4444-026-024, Topanga Canyon, unincorporated Los Angeles County.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing acceptance of donation of approximately 0.36 acres (APN 4444-026-024) Topanga Canyon.

Background: The subject property is located along Topanga Creek and includes both well developed riparian and upland habitat. The property abuts Caltrans land to the east and a small Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) parcel to the north. Topanga Creek proper in particular and riparian corridor-adjacent Topanga Creek watershed is regionally significant habitat. The property is connected to core habitat in Topanga State Park. The owner contacted staff and desires to donate the property.

There is public street access to the west parcel boundary via Canon View Trail. There are no downslope private improvements that create liability concerns. Per state law the MRCA is not responsible for any required brush clearance as long as the MRCA provides reasonable permission to homeowners to conduct such clearance to minimum fire department standards.

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