MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: June 7, 2017

SUBJECT: Agenda Item VI(r): Consideration of resolution authorizing the acceptance of a donation of an undivided 50-percent interest, or full interest, in approximately 5 acres of land, APN 2017-010-008, in Dayton Canyon, Simi Hills, unincorporated Los Angeles County.

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing the conditional acceptance of a donation of an undivided 50-percent interest, or full interest, in approximately 5 acres of land in Dayton Canyon, Simi Hills.

Background: The co-owners of an approximately 5-acre property (APN 2017-010-008) in Dayton Canyon have each offered to donate their separate, undivided 50-percent fee title interests in the property to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA). The co-owners are currently involved in estate planning and request MRCA action before their individual donations are granted.

The subject property’s westerly boundary line coincides with the county line between Ventura County and Los Angeles County. Immediately north of the subject property is MRCA’s recent open space acquisition of approximately 290 acres. Undeveloped, private lands border the subject property to the east, south and west.

The subject property features predominantly north-slope hills within the Simi Hills area. The northernmost portion of the property is an the upland area of Dayton Creek within the Los Angeles River watershed.

The co-owners are in the process of clearing the site of all temporary structures and any trash/debris. MRCA’s acceptance of the property is conditional upon a clearance inspection by an MRCA ranger.