



# MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM:   
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DATE: July 26, 2017

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item X: Consideration of resolution authorizing entering into a grant agreement with the California Wildlife Conservation Board to provide funding for the acquisition of a multipurpose easement over an approximately 9.28 acre portion of APN 5442-002-823, owned by the City of Los Angeles, located adjacent to the Los Angeles River in Glassell Park.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) authorize entering into a grant agreement with the California Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) to provide funding for the acquisition of a multipurpose easement over an approximately 9.28 acre portion of APN 5442-002-823, owned by the City of Los Angeles ("City"), located adjacent to the Los Angeles River in Glassell Park.

Background: The proposed resolution effectively amends Resolution No. 17-79 approved by the Governing Board on May 3, 2017 by adjusting the area of the proposed multipurpose easement from 12.5 acres to 9.28+/- acres.

This change was deemed necessary by MRCA staff and representatives from the City and WCB to allow for the City to receive full fair market value for the multipurpose easement while assuming full responsibility for the remediation of contamination on the subject property and easement area consistent with a remedial action plan approved by the California Department of Toxic Substances Control. WCB staff identified this as a prerequisite to consideration of a grant agreement for the acquisition of the easement.

Upon approval of the preceding item on this agenda, the remaining 3.22 acre portion of the proposed easement area will be acquired separately through an option agreement as discussed therein.

All other terms of the May 3<sup>rd</sup> resolution and staff report remain unchanged. A copy of the materials related to the May 3<sup>rd</sup> action are attached here for reference.