



## United States Department of the Interior

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Steve Novotny  
Chief Local Assistance, District 7  
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August 28, 2017

Dear Mr. Novotny:

We were recently informed that the SAFETEA-LU funding grant for the NPS project "Scenic Preservation and Run-Off Mitigation in the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area Near PCH and US 101" has a remaining balance of approximately \$224,000.

We support the re-purposing of these funds to support the Caltrans project, "US-101 Liberty Canyon Wildlife Crossing (07-LA-101-PM 33.0)." The Liberty Canyon project is NPS' highest priority transportation project within the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area. Completion of the project would mitigate the isolating effects of US 101 on mountain lions and other animals within the National Recreation Area.

Thank you for the opportunity to re-purpose these funds to an extremely important project. Please contact me at 805-370-2342 if you have any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely

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David M. Szymanski

Superintendent



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Liz Jennings  
Project Manager  
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### **Liberty Canyon Wildlife Crossing Funding Transfer Information**

Dear Ms. Jennings:

The National Wildlife Federation (NWF) has secured \$126,000 from our donor community through the #SaveLACougars campaign which supports the Liberty Canyon Wildlife Crossing project. This project is under the auspices of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans).

As a mechanism for the National Wildlife Federation to remit funding to Caltrans has not yet been finalized, NWF will transfer these raised funds to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA), upon presentation of an invoice. The MRCA will in turn pay the funds to Caltrans upon their presentation of an invoice for their work on the Liberty Canyon Wildlife Crossing project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Molly M Judge".

Molly Judge  
Director, Leadership Giving & Individual Philanthropy