

## MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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## **MEMORANDUM**

To: The Governing Board

FROM: Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Executive Officer

DATE: December 6, 2017

SUBJECT: Agenda Item VI(c): Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of

donation of APNs 4371-016-010; 4371-019-013; 4371-032-007; 4380-030-005,

Beverly Glen, City of Los Angeles.

<u>Staff Recommendation</u>: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing acceptance of the donation of APN's 4371-016-010; 4371-019-013; 4371-032-007; 4380-030-005, approximately 0.98 acres combined, in Beverly Glen Canyon, City of Los Angeles.

<u>Background</u>: The four subject properties to be donated are located on both the east and west sides of lower Beverly Glen Canyon. Each property is located within fewer than 200 feet from Beverly Glen Boulevard, making access for potential residential development a possibility. Each is also located either adjacent to, or within 90 feet of existing MRCA-owned open space.

All four subject properties fall within either Habitat Block No. 80 or 82 as designated on the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy's Eastern Santa Monica Mountains Habitat Linkage Planning Map. These habitat blocks contain Beverly Glen Park, and the Upper Stone Canyon Reservoir, respectively. All four are also included in the 2012 Engineer's Report for Community Facilities District No. 1.

Each of the subject properties will require some level of fuel modification, which is worth it due to their ecological value and proximity to existing MRCA open space. Fuel modification for each property can be funded from the Santa Monica Mountains Open Space Preservation Assessment District No. 1 (Area B), Community Facilities District No. 1, or Community Facilities District 2016-1.