



MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM: 
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DATE: September 5, 2018

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item VI(i): Consideration of resolution authorizing application to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for a Proposition 68 grant to acquire three parcels (APNs 694-0-210-120, 694-0-210-370, and 694-0-210-510) totaling 30 acres in the Carlisle Canyon watershed, unincorporated Ventura County.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing application to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for a Proposition 68 grant to acquire three parcels (APNs 694-0-210-120, 694-0-210-370, and 694-0-210-510) totaling 30 acres in the Carlisle Canyon watershed.

Background: The owner of the subject properties has contacted the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA), and has offered each parcel at a price of \$10,000, for a total of \$30,000 combined.

The two eastern parcels abut the Ventura/Los Angeles County boundary, and currently have no access. The western parcel abuts Circle X Ranch (National Park Service property), and has access via Vedder Motorway. A ten acre MRCA parcel containing a portion of the Backbone trail is also nearby.

All three parcels are located within the Sherwood sub-watershed of Malibu Creek watershed, and are within the Carlisle Canyon Central-Upper Workprogram project designated by the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy.

The habitat is high quality mixed ceanothus chaparral, with slopes ranging from 800-feet to 2,200-feet elevations.

Please see attached map for reference.