



MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: October 3, 2018

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item VII(n): Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of transfer of APN 5567-018-017 from the Laurel Canyon Land Trust, City of Los Angeles.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing acceptance of transfer of APN 5567-018-017 from the Laurel Canyon Land Trust.

Legislative Authority: Section 6500 *et seq.* of the Government Code.

Background: The Laurel Canyon Land Trust has become increasingly active in acquiring a range of Laurel Canyon watershed parcels in the eastern Santa Monica Mountains. The subject approximately 0.1-acre parcel was recently acquired by the Trust. The parcel is located dead center between four existing Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority parcels acquired at different times. These parcels are all part of a large, circuitous habitat block on the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy's adopted Eastern Santa Monica Mountains Habitat Linkage Planning Map. The property is well over one hundred feet from the closest house in the midst of a thick oak woodland canopy that should not require any brush clearance obligation.