



# MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: January 9, 2019

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item VII(c): Consideration of resolution confirming the acceptance of donation of approximately 30 acres (APNs 694-0-210-120, 370, and 510), pursuant to Resolution No. 96-52, in Carlisle Canyon of the Santa Monica Mountains, unincorporated Ventura County.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution confirming the acceptance of donation of approximately 30 acres (APNs 694-0-210-120, 370 and 510), pursuant to Resolution No. 96-52, in Carlisle Canyon.

Background: Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) Resolution No. 96-52 authorized the Executive Director to accept donations of land subject to confirmation by the Governing Board. In order to meet a calendar year deadline for donation purposes, MRCA agreed to accept approximately 30 acres, namely APNs: 694-0-210-120, 370 and 510. The owner had previously agreed to sell the properties to MRCA for a combined total of \$30,000; however, as the 2018 calendar year closed, the owner determined a donation would be more amenable.

The two eastern parcels abut the Ventura-Los Angeles County boundary and currently have no access. The western parcel abuts Circle 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 ceonothus chaparral with slopes ranging from 800 feet to 2,200 feet in elevation. Please see attached map for reference.