



# MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: July 3, 2019

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item VI(j): Consideration of resolution authorizing a contract with Community Nature Connection for the operation of residential outdoor education programs for the Las Virgenes Unified School District.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing a contract with Community Nature Connection for the operation of residential outdoor education programs for the Las Virgenes Unified School District.

Background: This year will be the tenth year that MRCA has entered into a contract with the Las Virgenes Unified School District (LVUSD) for the operation of residential outdoor education programs. The program has operated at both King Gillette Ranch and Temescal Gateway Park. For the 2020 season camp will be at King Gillette Ranch.

Since the abolishment of the MRCA Division of Education and Interpretation in 2016 Community Nature Connection (CNC) has been assigned the funds generated by the LVUSD contract to operate the camp, including negotiating the contract and providing all program services. The CNC auditor has recommended a contract between MRCA and CNC to document the responsibilities associated with camp operation and that assignment of funds.