



MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: July 3, 2019

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item VI(o): Consideration of resolution confirming the need for continuing emergency contracting procedures pursuant to Resolution 19-09 in response to the Woolsey Fire, subsequent rainstorms, and related incidents.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution confirming the need for continuing emergency contracting procedures pursuant to Resolution 19-09 in response to the Woolsey Fire, subsequent rainstorms, and related incidents.

Background: On November 14, 2018 the Governing Board unanimously adopted Resolution 18-195 which authorized an emergency declaration in response to the Woolsey Fire. On January 9, 2019, the Governing Board adopted Resolution 19-09 that confirmed the declaration and authorized related emergency procedures, including delegation of authority to the Executive Officer to award contracts for services or the procurement of supplies or equipment. If any action is taken pursuant to an emergency delegation, the Governing Board must consider any such action at every subsequent regular meeting to determine if an emergency situation continues to exist. Therefore, on February 20, 2019 the Governing Board adopted Resolution 19-24 confirming the declaration and award of a contract to Scott and Sons Electric for the restoration of power service to the Barwood and Barn structures in Ramirez Canyon Park, in the amount of \$73,680. This was subsequently reconfirmed on March 6, 2019 with Resolution 19-33, on April 3, 2019 with Resolution 19-43, and on June 5, 2019 with Resolution 19-71.

Since the last report to the Governing Board, no additional actions have been taken pursuant to the emergency delegation. The request to the utility company for service is in progress and the contractor is waiting to proceed. The statute requires the emergency situation to terminate at the earliest possible date. Terminating the electrical contract at this time would cause unacceptable delays, as changing the contractor name could require amending the service request.