



# MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: May 6, 2020

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item VII: Consideration of resolution authorizing accepting donation of approximately 32 acres (APNs 4434-009-011 and 4434-009-012) in the Santa Maria Canyon watershed, unincorporated Los Angeles County.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing accepting the donation of approximately 32 acres (APNs 4434-009-011 and 4434-009-012) in the Santa Maria Canyon watershed.

Background: The two subject parcels straddle the Santa Maria and Garapito Canyon watershed boundary. The western parcels abuts Summit Valley - Ed Edelman Park. The eastern parcel abuts National Park Service property. The attached map shows how ecologically significant the land is to the upper Topanga Canyon watershed. No know trails traverse the property. Any brushing in the northwest corner of APN 4434-009-011 would have to be conducted by the one homeowner within steep rock outcrops. This is a significant donation that would require zero long term maintenance.