

**SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY**

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**Meeting Notice and Agenda****Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy**

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**Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy  
Advisory Committee**

**Elizabeth A. Cheadle**, *Chairperson, Public Member,  
Appointed by the Senate Rules Committee*  
**Jonathan Zasloff**, *Vice Chairperson, Public Member,  
Appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly*  
**Woody Smeck**, *Superintendent, Santa Monica Mountains  
National Recreation Area*  
**Edward J. Begley, Jr.**, *City of Los Angeles*  
**Hal Ross**, *Public Member, Appointed by the Governor*  
**Jerome C. Daniel**, *Designee of Hon. Zev Yaroslavsky,  
Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors*  
**Hon. Linda Parks**, *Supervisor, Ventura County, Appointed by  
the Board of Supervisors*  
**Bryan Cash**, *Designee of Secretary for Resources,  
Resources Agency of California*  
**Ronald P. Schafer**, *Superintendent, Angeles District of the  
California Department of Parks and Recreation*  
**Edward Albert**, *Ex Officio Member, California Coastal  
Commission*  
**Steve Horn**, *Ex Officio Member, State Coastal Conservancy*  
**Jody Noiron**, *Ex Officio Member, Supervisor, Angeles National  
Forest*

**Senator Sheila Kuehl**, *Legislative Participant*  
**Senator Gloria Romero**, *Legislative Participant*  
**Senator Jack Scott**, *Legislative Participant*  
**Assemblymember Jackie Goldberg**, *Legislative Participant*  
**Assemblymember Paul Koretz**, *Legislative Participant*  
**Assemblymember Fran Pavley**, *Legislative Participant*

**Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP**, *Executive Director*  
**Rorie A. Skei**, *Chief Deputy Director*

**John A. Saurenman**, *Supervising Deputy Attorney General*

**Directions to Meeting:**

Driving eastbound on the 210 freeway: Exit on Pennsylvania Avenue. Continue driving eastward. Pennsylvania Avenue will become Honolulu Avenue. Turn right on La Crescenta Avenue. Go approximately 4 blocks and make a right turn onto Shirleyjean Street. Continue past residences and turn right into dirt parking area where indicated by signs.

Driving northbound on the 2 freeway: Transition from the 2 Freeway to the 210 Freeway West, exit at La Crescenta Avenue; turn left onto La Crescenta Avenue (southbound). Proceed on La Crescenta through Honolulu Street intersection, and go approximately 4 blocks. Make a right turn onto Shirleyjean Street and continue past residences, turning right into dirt parking area where indicated by signs.

Driving westbound on the 210: Exit La Crescenta Avenue; turn left (southbound), proceeding on La Crescenta through Honolulu Street intersection, and go approximately 4 blocks. Make a right turn onto Shirleyjean Street and continue past residences, turning right into dirt parking area where indicated by signs.

**Dinner:**

A light supper will be available at 6:00 p.m. for purchase by Conservancy and Advisory Committee members and the general public for \$5.00 at the Camp Max Straus Dining Hall. Members of the public wishing to purchase dinner should notify the Board Secretary by 3:00 p.m. the Friday prior to the meeting by calling (310) 589-3200 ext. 118.

**Date:** September 26, 2005

**Time:** 7:30 p.m. — Meeting Convenes  
Public Testimony 8:00 p.m. to conclusion or 9:00 p.m. — whichever is earlier; Conservancy and Advisory Committee deliberations — 9:00 p.m. or at the conclusion of the public testimony to adjournment.

**Location:** Camp Max Straus  
1041 Shirleyjean Street  
Glendale, California

**Field Trip:** Meet at Camp Max Straus parking lot at 3:45 p.m. for field trip of Le Mesnager Barn in Deukmejian Wilderness Park, Glendale; and to Millard Canyon/La Viña area, Altadena.

1. Call to Order.
2. Roll Call of Conservancy.
3. Roll Call of Advisory Committee.
4. Introduction of Legislative Participants or their staff.
5. Approval of Minutes.
6. Special recognition to Julio Rodriguez, outgoing Operations Manager of the Los Angeles River Center & Gardens.
7. Special recognition to James Yeramian, outgoing Board Secretary.
8. Reports:
  - (a) Chairperson's Report;
  - (b) Coastal Commission Report;
  - (c) Attorney General's Report;
  - (d) National Park Service Report;
  - (e) State Parks Report;
  - (f) Forest Service Report;
  - (g) Legislative Report;
  - (h) Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority;
  - (i) Santa Clarita Watershed Recreation and Conservation Authority Report;
  - (j) Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority Report;
  - (k) Oral reports by staff;
  - (l) Questions to staff.
9. Members comments on matters not on the agenda.
10. Comments from members of the public on items not on the agenda and public testimony on all agenda items.

**Note: The period between 8:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. has been set aside for public testimony. No public testimony will be taken after 9:00 p.m. The public hearing begins at 8:00 p.m. In the event that all speakers have been heard prior to 9:00 p.m., or upon completion of public hearing, whichever occurs first, the public hearing will be closed and the Conservancy and Advisory Committee deliberations will begin. Individuals will be allowed three minutes to speak and representatives of organizations/agencies will be allowed five minutes to speak. Speaker times may be reduced depending on the number of speakers.**

11. Consent Calender:
  - (a) Consideration of resolution authorizing a comment letter to County of Los Angeles on Notice of Consultation for Conditional Use Permit and Oak Tree Permit No. 02-053 for recreational vehicle and boat storage facility, 22200 North Sierra Highway, Sylmar, Los Angeles River watershed.
  - (b) Consideration of resolution authorizing a comment letter to the California Department of Fish and Game on Notice of Preparation for the Newhall Ranch Specific Plan: Long-term Streambed Alteration Agreement and Endangered Species Incidental Take Permit Draft Environmental Impact Report, Santa Clara River watershed.
  - (c) Consideration of resolution authorizing a letter of support to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority on granting a Public Access Easement Deed to the City of Los Angeles on APN 5442-017-902 for the Los Angeles River Bikeway.
  - (d) Consideration of resolution authorizing letters of support to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for its application of Proposition 50 River Parkway grant funds (Bell Creek Riverfront Natural Park, Pacoima Wash Greenway and Ballona Creek Bikeway).

12. Presentation of Conservancy Grants Status Reports for Fiscal Year 2004/05 and for First Quarter of Fiscal Year 2005/06.
13. Update on La Viña open space and trail dedication issues.
14. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant of Proposition 40 funds to the City of Glendale for the Le Mesnager Barn historic restoration project in Deukmejian Wilderness Park, Glendale.
15. Consideration of resolution adopting a policy opposing the use of wildlife-harming anti-coagulant rodenticides.\*
16. Consideration of resolution adopting an urban/wildland interface native habitat restoration and enhancement program, and authorizing funding pursuant to Proposition 12, Proposition 40, and Proposition 50.\*
17. Consideration of resolution authorizing a term extension and augmentation of grant agreement SMM-0482 with the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for interpretation of land, air, and water resources at Upper Las Virgenes Canyon Open Space Preserve, Temescal Gateway Park, Franklin Canyon Park, Mentryville, Towsley Canyon, Ramirez Canyon and any other parks under the jurisdiction of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy.\*
18. Consideration of resolution authorizing Proposition 12 and Proposition 40 grants to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority to complete the acquisition of 11.97 acres of property located on Old Road in the Santa Clarita Woodlands (APNs 2826-025-002 and 016), unincorporated Los Angeles County.
19. Consideration of resolution approving the County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation to use Proposition A Big Five Excess Funds to acquire an approximately 80-acre property (APN 2848-011-005) in Placerita Canyon, unincorporated Los Angeles County.
20. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant of Proposition 50 funds to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for improvements to the Bell Creek Riverfront Natural Park, Canoga Park District, City of Los Angeles.
21. Consideration of resolution authorizing a change in parking fee policy at Wilacre Park and Victory Trailhead, and approving an impacted neighborhood parking fee reduction program for Conservancy parks.
22. Closed Session: (The Conservancy may hold a closed session on the following items pursuant to Section 11126 Subdivision (c)(7)(A), Section 11126.3(a), and Section 11126 Subdivision (e) of the Government Code. Confidential memoranda related to the following items may be considered during such closed session discussions.) Discussion and possible action regarding pending and/or potential litigation: Potential litigation – *Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy et al. Ramirez Canyon Preservation Fund v. California Coastal Commission*, and Conference with legal counsel - potential litigation.
23. Announcement of future meetings and adjournment.

\*Coastal Zone item upon which the ex officio member appointed by the California Coastal Commission may vote.

*Note: In order to save the expense of duplicating and mailing written materials, the Conservancy and Advisory Committee members will receive meeting materials electronically. Staff reports and other documents will not be mailed to the members nor will they be sent to local public libraries. Most libraries have internet access so the public will continue to have free access to meeting materials on the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy World Wide Web site at <http://www.smmc.ca.gov>. Prior to the meeting, documents that persons would like forwarded to Conservancy and Advisory Committee members must be submitted in Microsoft Word format (MSWord 97 for Windows or above) via e-mail no later than 3:00 p.m. the Friday prior to the Conservancy meeting. Such materials should be sent to [boardsec@smmc.ca.gov](mailto:boardsec@smmc.ca.gov) and in the subject line identify the agenda item number or other subject of the communication. At the meeting the Conservancy and Advisory Committee will accept written communications (46 copies should be submitted in order to have one for each Conservancy and Advisory Committee member, a copy for the Board Secretary, and a public review copy).*

The Conservancy may hold a closed session on any public hearing item pursuant to Section 11126 Subdivision (c)(7)(A), Section 11126.3(a) and Section 11126 Subdivision (e) of the Government Code.

For further information on any agenda item please contact Rorie Skei, Chief Deputy Director at (310) 589-3200, extension 112.

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