

**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**

**Ronald P. Schafer**, *Chairperson, Superintendent,  
Angeles District of the California Department  
of Parks and Recreation*

**Antonio Gonzalez**, *Vice Chairperson, Public Member,  
Appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly*

**Elizabeth A. Cheadle**, *Chairperson, Public Member,  
Appointed by the Senate Rules Committee*

**Woody Smeck**, *Superintendent, Santa Monica Mountains  
National Recreation Area*

**Elva Yañez**, *City of Los Angeles, Appointed by the Mayor*

**James Berkus**, *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 Ventura County Board of Supervisors*

**Bryan Cash**, *Designee of Secretary for Resources,  
Resources Agency of California*

**Sara Wan**, *Ex Officio Member, California Coastal  
Commission*

**Mary Small**, *Ex Officio Non-voting Member, State Coastal  
Conservancy*

**Jody Noiron**, *Ex Officio Non-Voting Member, Supervisor, Angeles  
National Forest*

**Senator Sheila Kuehl**, *Legislative Participant*

**Senator Gloria Romero**, *Legislative Participant*

**Senator Jack Scott**, *Legislative Participant*

**Assemblymember Julia Brownley**, *Legislative Participant*

**Assemblymember Kevin De León**, *Legislative Participant*

**Assemblymember Mike Feuer**, *Legislative Participant*

**Joseph T. Edmiston**, **FAICP**, *Executive Director*

**Rorie A. Skei**, *Chief Deputy Director*

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

**Date:** Monday, February 25, 2008

**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:** Los Angeles River Center and Gardens  
570 West Avenue Twenty-Six  
Los Angeles, California 90065

**Field Trip:** Meet at 4:00 pm. at Los Angeles River Center  
and Gardens for tour of Los Angeles River in  
vicinity of Griffith Park.

*From Interstate 5 South* - Take the 110 South exit towards the Pasadena Freeway/Los Angeles. Exit Figueroa on your left. Make a right turn on to Riverside Drive. Riverside Drive will become Figueroa as you cross the Los Angeles River. Turn left on Avenue 26. The River Center is approximately 1½ blocks ahead on the left.

*From Interstate 5 North* - Exit Figueroa Street/Avenue 26 from the Highway 110 North on-ramp. Turn left on Avenue 26. Cross Figueroa Street, the River Center is approximately 1½ blocks ahead on the left.

*From Highway 110 South* - Exit Avenue 26 and turn right. The River Center is approximately 1½ blocks ahead on the left.

*From Highway 110 North* - Exit Figueroa Street (the first exit on left after the Interstate 5 on-ramp) and turn right. Take Figueroa Street to Avenue 26 and turn left. The River Center is approximately 1½ blocks ahead on the left.

**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. 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.

1. Call to Order.
2. Administration of Oath of Office to new members.

3. Roll Call of Conservancy.
4. Roll Call of Advisory Committee.
5. Introduction of Legislative Participants or their staff.
6. Election of Advisory Committee Officers.
7. Approval of Minutes.
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 Report;
  - (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 Calendar:
  - (a) Consideration of resolution authorizing the expenditure of Conservancy Fund to contract with the Santa Clarita Watershed Recreation and Conservation Authority for pre-acquisition services in the Soledad - Angeles Linkage Conceptual Area Protection Plan area, unincorporated Los Angeles County.
  - (b) Consideration of resolution authorizing a comment letter to Los Angeles County on Notice of Preparation for upper Pacoima Wash Surface Mining Project, Permit No. 01-154, Sylmar.
  - (c) Consideration of resolution supporting Governor Schwarzenegger's Wildland Firefighting Initiative.
12. Presentation by Community Conservancy International on results of Green Solution Projects study, Phase I.
13. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant of Proposition 84 funds to Community Conservancy International for Phase II of the Green Solution Projects Study.
14. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant of memorial donations in the Conservancy Fund to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for implementing new signage for the Marge Feinberg Rim of the Valley Trail.
15. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant of memorial donations in the Conservancy Fund to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for implementing Marvin B. Braude Gateway Park interpretive panels.

16. Consideration of resolution authorizing a Proposition 84 grant to the Altadena Foothills Conservancy for a Cal Poly Pomona Studio 606 study of the "Emerald Horseshoe," Upper Los Angeles River Watershed between Eaton Canyon and the Arroyo Seco.
17. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant of Proposition 84 funds to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority to produce a new parklands and open space map.\*
18. Consideration of resolution awarding grant to Community Partners on behalf of The City Project for project planning and design for the restoration of a portion of Griffith Park on the east bank of the Los Angeles River, City of Los Angeles.
19. Consideration of resolution awarding grant to the Department of Recreation and Parks of the City of Los Angeles for project planning and design of restoration of a portion of Griffith Park on the east bank of the Los Angeles River, City of Los Angeles.
20. 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: Pending litigation – *Ramirez Canyon Preservation Fund v. California Coastal Commission*, et al.; *Robings v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority Case No. LC077488*; *Robings v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority Case No. BC377233*, and *Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy v. City of Malibu*, and related actions.\*
21. Announcement of future meetings and adjournment.

\*Coastal Zone item(s) 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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