

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*
Ronald P. Schafer, *Vice Chairperson, Superintendent, Angeles District of the California Department of Parks and Recreation*
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*
Antonio Gonzalez, *Public Member, Appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly*
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*

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

John A. Saurenman, *Supervising Deputy Attorney General*

Date: July 9, 2007

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: King Gillette Ranch
26800 Mullholland Highway
Calabasas, California

Field Trip: Meet at Dormitory at 4:00 p.m. for a tour of King Gillette Ranch.

Directions to Meeting: From the 101 Freeway, exit Malibu Canyon/Las Virgenes Road, and go southbound on Las Virgenes toward the coast. Make a left turn onto Mulholland Highway, then right through the gate entry. (King Gillette Ranch is at the southeast corner of Las Virgenes and Mulholland). Proceed into park, drive over first creek crossing and turn left; follow signs to parking lot next to the Dormitory (a three-story building).

Dinner: A light supper will be available at the in the Dormitory Building at King Gillette Ranch 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. Roll Call of Conservancy.
3. Roll Call of Advisory Committee.
4. Introduction of Legislative Participants or their staff.
5. Approval of Minutes.

6. 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.

7. Members comments on matters not on the agenda.

8. 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.

9. Consent Calendar:

- (a) Consideration of resolution authorizing a comment letter to Caltrans on the Interstate-405 Sepulveda Pass Widening Project Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Study and Section 4(f) Evaluation.
- (b) Consideration of resolution authorizing a comment letter to the City of Los Angeles on the Notice of Preparation for the Metro Universal Draft Environmental Impact Report, SCH# 2007061078, Sherman Oaks-Studio City-Toluca Lake-Cahuenga Pass Community Plan Area.
- (c) Consideration of resolution adopting the Santa Clarita Watershed Recreation and Conservation Authority FY 2007-2008 Budget.
- (d) Consideration of resolution amending Resolution No. 07-13 to change the grant recipient to the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District for the acquisition of APNs 648-0-070-060, 648-0-200-020, and 648-0-183-050, unincorporated Ventura County.

10. Presentation on scope and objective of Proposition 84 as it pertains to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy.

11. Implementation of Proposition 84:

(a) **Urban Greening and Restoration**

- 1. Staff Introduction
- 2. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant of Proposition 84 funds to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for exercising additive alternates to the base bid for the Vista Hermosa Park and funding additions and upgrades to the landscaping, Los Angeles.

(b) **Watershed Protection Activities through Enhanced Interpretation**

- 1. Staff Introduction

2. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant of Proposition 84 funds to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for interpretation of the Los Angeles River and Santa Monica Bay Watersheds, including visitor serving amenities and naturalist led interpretive programs for the public as well as programs specifically designed for disadvantaged youth.

(c) **Planning for Watershed Projects Implementation and Public Participation**

1. Staff Introduction
2. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant of Proposition 84 funds to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for Project Planning and Design services in the upper Los Angeles River watershed and coastal watersheds of the Santa Monica Bay.

(d) **Resource Protection and Restoration**

1. Staff Introduction
 2. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant of Proposition 84 funds to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for the protection of the Upper Los Angeles River and the Santa Monica Bay watersheds, including those actions necessary to prevent harm or damage to persons, property or natural resources and those actions necessary to allow continued use and enjoyment of property and natural resources.
 3. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant of Proposition 84 funds to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for the purchase of capital assets to be used in the protection and restoration of natural resources, including projects for the control of erosion, control and elimination of exotic species, prescribed burning, and fuel hazard reduction.
 4. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant of Proposition 84 funds to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for the protection and restoration of natural and developed resources by removal of invasive plant species, reduction of hazardous fire-fuel loads, and erosion protection.
 5. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant of Proposition 84 funds to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for the preservation, protection and restoration to promote the continued safe use and enjoyment of parks along the Los Angeles River.
 6. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant of Proposition 84 funds to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for a program of preservation, protection and restoration to insure the continued use and enjoyment of natural and developed resources in the Upper Los Angeles River and Santa Monica Bay Watersheds.
 7. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant of Proposition 84 funds to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for the preservation, protection and restoration of Temescal Gateway Park, Pacific Palisades.*
 8. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant of Proposition 84 funds to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for the preservation, protection and restoration of King Gillette Ranch, Calabassas.
12. Consideration of a resolution supporting SCA 12 introduced by Senators Torlakson and Yee, Coauthor: Senator Kuehl. A resolution to propose to the people of the State of California an amendment to the Constitution of the State, by amending Section 6 of Article XIII D thereof, relating to local government finance.
 13. Consideration of resolution adopting the draft preliminary FY 2007-2008 budget of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority.
 14. **Implementation of Coastal Slope Trail**
 1. Staff Introduction

2. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant of Proposition 50 funds to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority to acquire fee simple or easement interests on APNs 4465-004-070 and 071, 4467-002-041, 4467-003-031, 4467-003-021, 4460-015-001, and 4460-014-006 and 008 to implement the Coastal Slope Trail between Ramirez Canyon Park and Latigo Canyon Road, incorporated and unincorporated Malibu area..* *(This item may be heard in closed session pursuant to Section 11126 Subdivision (c)(7)(A) of the Government Code.)*
15. 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*, and *Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy v. City of Malibu*, and related actions, Potential litigation: *Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy v. Seven Arrows/Little Dolphins by the Sea*.*
16. Announcement of future meetings and adjournment.

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

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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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