

SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY

PROJECT STATUS REPORT

as of September 30, 2007

Project ID Number		Amendments	Project Name	Fund Source	Total Grant Amount	Grantee	Project Status Through September 30, 2007
SMM	0671		Alamos Canyon	Prop 50	\$ 250,000.00	MRCA	Need extension
SMM	0623		Backbone Trail (Etz Meloy Motorway/Encinal Cyn. Road)	Prop 50	\$ 125,000.00	MRCA	Completed
NP	0703		Ballona Creek Overland	Prop 50	\$ 60,000.00	Culver City	LRM held 3 public workshops, introduced the project concepts to the Culver City Unified School District Board of Education, completed project planning and design. Anticipates activities to be completed during 4th Quarter.
SMM	05057		Bell Creek-River Park Improvements	Prop 50	\$ 50,000.00	MRCA	Extension requested. Minimal staff time charged to the project.
NP	03185		Center for Community Forestry	Prop 50	\$ 1,000,000.00	Tree People	Design complete. Plan check approved. Bid approved. Construction has begun.
SMM	0662		Charles and Lotte Melhorn Overlook, Phase II, Mullholand Scenic Parkway	Prop 40	\$ 17,000.00	MRCA	Project construction documents are waiting for plan review. Anticipated completion March 2008.
NP	0674		Children's Nature Institute,	Prop 50	\$ 50,000.00	Children's Nature Institute	Report not submitted.
SMM	0765		Coastal Slope Trail	Prop 50	\$ 1,500,000.00	MRCA	Project ongoing. Approximately \$978,000 of the subject funding will be used during October 2007 to purchase the Strader parcel. Several remaining pending acquisitions to be jointly funded with Los Angeles County are expected to close during late 2007.
SMM	868		Confluence Park	Prop 12, EEM and TEA	\$ 4,730,000.00	MRCA	Prior to purchasing the Street Trees parcels, the City of LA must surplus the parcels. MRCA staff and the city continue to identify potential relocation sites for Street Trees. MRCA staff is reviewing the revised construction plans that were prepared by MLA and sub-consultants. MRCA would like to go out to bid with the same park amenities excluding the central fountain to reduce development costs.
SMM	0741		Devil's Canyon	Prop 40	\$335,000	MRCA	MRCA continued negotiations and coordination with the sellers. One seller has backed out of the acquisition, the second seller is considering a revised offer.
SMM	0734		DMCA Pre Acquisition Services	Prop 12	\$ 50,000.00	DMCA	Project is in beginning stages. Additional direction will be given to staff at November 8, 2007 DMCA meeting.
SMM	05017		Emergency Storm Response	Prop 12	\$ 250,000.00	MRCA	All projects still ongoing.
SMM	0618	1	Escondido Ramirez Canyon Trail Loop & Ramirez Canyon Trail Camp Project Planning and Design	Prop 50	\$ 585,000.00	MRCA	Ongoing.
SMM	0605		Franklin Canyon Park	Prop 40	\$ 200,000.00	MRCA	MRCA staff continue to plan and coordinate significant improvements to the auditorium. Construction work in the auditorium consisted of repairing the roof, framing the walls, and installing new HVAC units. Proposals for insulation, drywall, flooring, painting and additional electrical work are currently being evaluated.

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NP	0346	1	Glendale/Deukmejian Park Restoration Grant	Prop 40	\$ 1,000,000.00	Glendale	Site work needed for preparation of construction drawing. Completion of approximately 25% of construction documents. Preparation of outreach for community workshop. Change in schedule. Design was delayed on month to await receipt of 2007 UBC changes, since there was possibility that code changes might have a significant effect on some aspects of the design work.
SMM	0660		Hansen Dam Recreational Area Parking Lot & Wetlands Restoration	Prop 50	\$ 50,000.00	MRCA	Project report and EIR are complete. Construction documents are pending a matching Prop O grant which has been approved. Received approval of FTIP matching funding. Anticipated completion July 2008.
SMM	0482	2	Interpretation	Prop 40	\$ 1,392,613.00	MRCA	Programs ongoing. Programs include guided interpretive hikes, campfire programs, permanent informational kiosk displays, quarterly newsletter, development of trails maps, and Junior Ranger guides.
SMM	0633	1	Interpretation (Ballona Wetlands)	Prop 50	\$ 316,000.00	MRCA	Junior Ranger Saturday Interpretive programming began on March 10, 2007 ended May 2007. Six public programs were offered at bridge entrance to wetlands including morning and evening programs. Access authorized from Dept. of Fish and Game for interpretive hikes received July 12, 2007.
SMM	0615		Interpretation (Chautauqua Program)	Conservancy Fund	\$ 37,000.00	MRCA	Programs ongoing.
SMM	0730		King Gillette Ranch Development and Interpretation	Prop 40	\$150,000	MRCA	Project in beginning stages. A kitchen consultant has been scheduled to come out to evaluate the main kitchen in Wisdom Hall. Food will be served to the children in the overnight field science program in the large room on the first floor of the Dormitory building.
SMM	0729		King Gillette Ranch Restoration and Protection	Prop 50	\$300,000	MRCA	Transferred from Soka University on July 29. Directional and regulatory signage installed. Short term parking kiosks and trash cans installed. Sensitive areas secured. Restoration staff is working on plan to clean up invasive species in the creek that runs through the property.

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NP	05091	Lindero Creek Open Space	Prop 50	\$ 250,000.00	Agoura Hills	The open space land agreement, was unanimously approved by the City of Agoura Hills City Council in December 2006. Escrow of the property is expected to close within the next two months as we await the State's final approval of the adjacent school site which would allow for the property to be sold. This date was pushed back from our last status report as the State was forced to delay this review. The City has secured funds to purchase the land and complete the nature trail and amenities as proposed and is currently prepared to close escrow once the school district has completed their portion of the escrow process.
SMM	6116	Los Angeles River Center & Gardens	Prop 40	\$ 289,950.00	MRCA	Report not submitted.
NP	0615	Marr Ranch/Tapo Canyon Acquisition	Prop 50	\$ 975,000.00	RSRPD	Report not submitted.
NP	0663	Marsh Street Skate Park Landscaping Project	Prop 40	\$ 60,000.00	Los Angeles Neighborhood Land Trust	Completed
SMM	0745	Mentryville	Prop 40	\$ 500,000.00	MRCA	Project is in the beginning planning stages.
SMM	03130	Minor Capital Outlay	Prop 40	\$ 65,394.00	MRCA	Remaining balance shall be used to purchase necessary fittings for the new water tank at Sage Ranch Park.
SMM	0606	Minor Capital Outlay and Resource Protection	Prop 40	\$ 468,800.00	MRCA	Painting of restrooms and picnic shade area completed at San Vicente Mountain Park. Painting and repairs of park recycling facilities at Wilacre Park.
SMM	0475	Minor Capital Outlay Improvements	Prop 12	\$ 191,675.00	MRCA	2 weed whips purchased. MRCA staff has a large water tank and pump on order for Mentryville. Delivery will be arranged in the next two months. Wilacre Park Trailhead Improvements: Construction of the new section of the parking lot was completed.
SMM	05055	Pacoima Wash Improvements	Prop 50	\$ 500,000.00	MRCA	Staff has reviewed first set of landscape architecture consultant's construction documents, and has annotated requested corrections. Draft project MOU has been drafted and both agencies.
SMM	0607	1 Project Planning and Design	Prop 40	\$ 550,000.00	MRCA	Report not submitted.
SMM	0464	4 Project Planning and Design	Prop 50	\$ 1,070,000.00	MRCA	Report not submitted.
SMM	05030	2 Project Planning and Design	Prop 12	\$ 225,000.00	MRCA	Report not submitted.
SMM	0478	2 Soka University Acquisition	Prop 40	\$ 6,000,000.00	MRCA	MRCA working on renovating Caretaker's residence, which is expected to be complete by the end of November.
SMM	0743	Soledad Canyon	Prop 12	\$ 124,000.00	MRCA	MRCA staff are working in conjunction with the City of Santa Clarita, the Riverside Land Conservancy, and SCWRCA to jointly fund and complete the acquisition. A new appraisal is in progress. Purchase offers expected late 2007.
NP	0651	Stough Canyon Feasibility Study	Prop 40	\$ 50,000.00	City of Burbank	Project completed
SMM	0742	Tax Defaulted Parcels	Prop 12	\$ 150,000.00	MRCA	Staff is coordinating Chapter 8 agreements with Los Angeles County for the purchase of multiple parcels.

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SMM	6115		Temescal Canyon Improvements	Prop 12	\$ 272,475.00	MRCA	Project completed
NP	0640		The Great Wall	Prop 50	\$ 375,000.00	Social and Public Art Resource Center	Report not submitted.
SMM	0673		Topanga Canyon small lot	Prop 50	\$ 100,000.00	MRCA	All Los Angeles County responsibilities are complete, and staff expect that the County will send a final bill to MRCA before the end of 2007.
SMM	05033		Topanga Canyon Surplus	Prop 50	\$ 110,000.00	MRCA	All Los Angeles County responsibilities are complete, and staff expect that the County will send a final bill to MRCA before the end of 2007.
SMM	0744		Towsley	Prop 40	\$ 250,000.00	MRCA	Project is in the beginning planning stages.
SMM	0641		Trails Restoration	Prop 40	\$ 330,000.00	MRCA	Due to the absence of rain, and various environmental factors, no progress has been made on any trail restoration projects. Trail restoration is expected to proceed during the coming quarter, weather conditions permitting.
SMM	0692		Tujunga Wash	Prop 50	\$100,000	MRCA	Construction is scheduled to be substantially complete in November 2007.
IA	003/06		Update of the Santa Monica Mountains Comprehensive Plan	Conservancy Fund	\$ 72,241.00	UCLA	Report submitted to the Conservancy Board
SMM	03147		Upper Las Virgenes (Ahmanson Ranch)	Prop 50	\$ 6,539,400.00	MRCA	Project completed
			Urban/Wildland interface native habitat restoration and enhancement	Prop 12	\$ 150,000.00	MRCA	Projects ongoing
SMM	0463	1	Vista Hermosa Los Angeles River Watershed Restoration Project	Prop 50	\$ 3,269,700.00	MRCA	MRCA continues to oversee the construction contractor LAE Engineering and perform general project management activities. Anticipated date of completion is Spring 2008.
SMM	0632		Wayside Improvements Angeles National Planning and Improvements	Prop 40	\$ 500,000.00	MRCA	Meeting with Edison took place on July 19, 2007. Discussed areas of pullout placement.
SMM	05054		West Mulholland Watershed Demonstration Project	12, 40, and 50	\$ 1,600,000.00	MRCA	Project was approved by Mulholland Design Review Board. Final plan check is in progress. Bidding scheduled for December 2007 and award in February 2008.
SMM	05035		Westridge/Upper Mandeville Parking Lot	Prop 40	\$ 150,000.00	MRCA	Project opened July 2005 at top of Westridge terminus. Final location and construction of a bike storage area for youth at risk pending. Parking lot to be surfaced and interpretive elements in progress. Anticipated completion July 2008.