



MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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**King Gillette Ranch Interagency Visitor Center Matching Grant Application,
Amended**

Dear Msrs. Edmiston and Schafer:

The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) has amended its grant application to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, in order to be able to fully match an additional \$500,000 that has become available to the National Park Service in the past few days.

The MRCA originally submitted an application in the amount of \$1,540,000 matched by the National Park Service's Centennial Challenge grant for Phase I restoration of the King Gillette Ranch stables to create the Interagency Visitor Center for the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area. With the increased federal funds, our request to you has now increased upward to \$2,040,000. If by the time of your consideration of this request at your September 22 Conservancy Board meeting, the Park Service finds additional federal funds available, I request that the Conservancy consider matching up to the federal total.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael D. Berger".

Michael D. Berger
Chairperson

cc: MRCA Governing Board