

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1743

**Introduced by Assembly Member Runner
(Coauthor: Senator Knight)**

February 3, 1998

An act to add Section 33204.4 to the Public Resources Code, relating to parks and open space.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1743, as introduced, Runner. Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor: boundary revisions.

Existing law required the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy to prepare a coordinated trail development plan and recreational access program for the Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor, as specified, and to submit the plan and program to specified committees of the Legislature not later than June 30, 1990, and authorized the conservancy to make minor boundary changes in the Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor in the form of maps and descriptions to be included in the plan and to be submitted to the Secretary of State not later than July 31, 1990.

This bill would provide that if the executive director of the conservancy determines, based on relevant scientific information and land use planning studies, that a revision of the boundaries of the Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor in the vicinity of the City of Santa Clarita is necessary, he or she would be required to prepare and file with the Secretary of State a revised map showing the boundaries of the Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor in the vicinity of the City of Santa

Clarita, including therein Elsmere Canyon and Whitney Canyon, and their adjacent watersheds, as specified.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 33204.4 is added to the Public
- 2 Resources Code, to read:
- 3 33204.4. (a) The Legislature finds and declares all of
- 4 the following:
- 5 (1) Significant environmental and recreational
- 6 resources were omitted from the boundary of the Rim of
- 7 the Valley Trail Corridor in the vicinity of the City of
- 8 Santa Clarita when the corridor was delineated by the
- 9 conservancy pursuant to Section 33204.3.
- 10 (2) The boundary of the Rim of the Valley Trail
- 11 Corridor should be determined exclusively upon the best
- 12 scientific and resource-based information regarding trail,
- 13 recreational, and environmental resources in the area.
- 14 (3) Landowners, local government entities, members
- 15 of the public, and other affected parties should be
- 16 afforded maximum participation in the process by which
- 17 the Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor is delineated.
- 18 (b) (1) If the executive director of the conservancy
- 19 determines, based on relevant scientific information and
- 20 land use planning studies, and after holding at least one
- 21 public hearing in the area that would be affected by a
- 22 revision of the boundaries of the Rim of the Valley Trail
- 23 Corridor, that a boundary revision in the vicinity of the
- 24 City of Santa Clarita is necessary, he or she shall prepare
- 25 and file with the Secretary of State a revised map showing
- 26 the changes in the boundaries of the Rim of the Valley
- 27 Trail Corridor in the vicinity of the City of Santa Clarita,
- 28 including therein Elsmere Canyon and Whitney Canyon,
- 29 and their adjacent watersheds.
- 30 (2) A revised map prepared pursuant to paragraph (1)
- 31 shall be supported by relevant scientific information and

1 be in accordance with the purposes and objectives of
2 Section 33204.3.