



MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY
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October 21, 2013

Agenda Item 14
SMMC
11/4/13

Irma Muñoz
Chairperson
Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy
570 West Avenue Twenty-Six, Suite 100
Los Angeles, California 90065

**Request for Grant Funds to Acquire
Oak Forest Canyon Wildlife Corridor Parcel (APN 2274-018-14)**

Dear Chairperson Muñoz and Conservancy Members:

The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) expresses its appreciation to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy (Conservancy) for the opportunity to work on the acquisition of a critical eastern Santa Monica Mountains wildlife corridor parcel (APN 2274-018-014). Protection of this parcel is fundamental to a functional east-west habitat linkage between the 405 Freeway and Griffith Park. The negotiated deal is that the bargain sale transaction close in calendar year 2013.

The subject 1.6-acre wildlife corridor parcel is located on the north slope of the eastern Santa Monica Mountains just west of the Conservancy's Fossil Ridge Park. The parcel is bounded both by MRCA and Conservancy property. Together these ownerships comprise a significant-sized habitat node at a key juncture in this intra-mountain range wildlife corridor that delivered mountain lion P-22 to Griffith Park. The dominant vegetation type is California black walnut woodland.

To complete this short time frame transaction within calendar year 2013, the MRCA respectfully submits the attached grant application for \$215,000 of Los Angeles River Watershed Proposition 84 funding. This requested funding would be combined with up to \$20,000 of funding available through the Buckley School Neighborhood Protection Fund dispersed by the City of Los Angeles. As necessary, the MRCA can front this smaller amount to assure the transaction closes in time.

We look forward to ongoing joint efforts to protect land in the Conservancy Zone. Please direct any questions to Jessica Nguyen, Project Analyst, at (310) 589-3230 ext. 125.

Sincerely,

George Lange
Chairperson

**Budget for Grant No. ####
Oak Forest Canyon Wildlife Corridor**

Grant Balance: \$ 215,000.00

as of: 10/21/2013

Required for All Bond Funded Grants			Required for Prop 84 Grants Only	
G/L Acct.	G/L Name	Total Budget	LAR Watershed	SMB Watershed
(A) PAYROLL Related Expenses:				
Enter TOTAL Payroll Related Expenses Here →→→→ [Note: No need to fill out the individual payroll line items below]		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Several	Direct Salaries, Payroll Taxes, Benefits	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
9998, 9999	Administrative Cost	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
(B) NON-PAYROLL Expenses:				
4001	Grants-MRCA			
5001	Land Purchase - Land	\$ 215,000.00	\$ 215,000.00	
5002	Land Purchase - Appraisals/CEQA			
5003	Land Purchase - Escrow, Title & Closing Fees			
5111	Land & Building Improvement - Roads			
5112	Land & Building Improvement - Materials			
5113	Land & Building Improvement - Equipment			
5114	Land & Building Improvement - Sub Contractors			
5115	Land & Building Improvement - Design/Pre-Construction			
5116	Land & Building Improvement - Other			
7777	Equipment Allocation			
Totals:		\$ 215,000.00	\$ 215,000.00	\$ -

MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

October 2, 2013 — Agenda Item X

Resolution No. 13-121

**RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE MOUNTAINS RECREATION
AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO
THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY FOR
GRANT FUNDS TO ACQUIRE OAK FOREST CANYON
WILDLIFE CORRIDOR PARCEL, EASTERN SANTA
MONICA MOUNTAINS, CITY OF LOS ANGELES**

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) hereby:

1. FINDS that the Oak Forest Canyon Wildlife Corridor Parcel (APN 2274-018-014) is ecologically significant.
2. FINDS that the subject action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
3. ADOPTS the staff report and recommendation dated October 2, 2013.
4. AUTHORIZES an application to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for grant funds to acquire Oak Forest Canyon Wildlife Corridor parcel (APN 2274-018-014), eastern Santa Monica Mountains, City of Los Angeles.
5. AUTHORIZES the Executive Officer to do any and all acts necessary to carry out this resolution and any recommendations made by the Governing Board.
6. AUTHORIZES the Chair to sign the grant agreement if the grant application is approved by the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy.



Chair

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AYES: Peterson, Hasenauer, Daniel, Lange

NOS: none

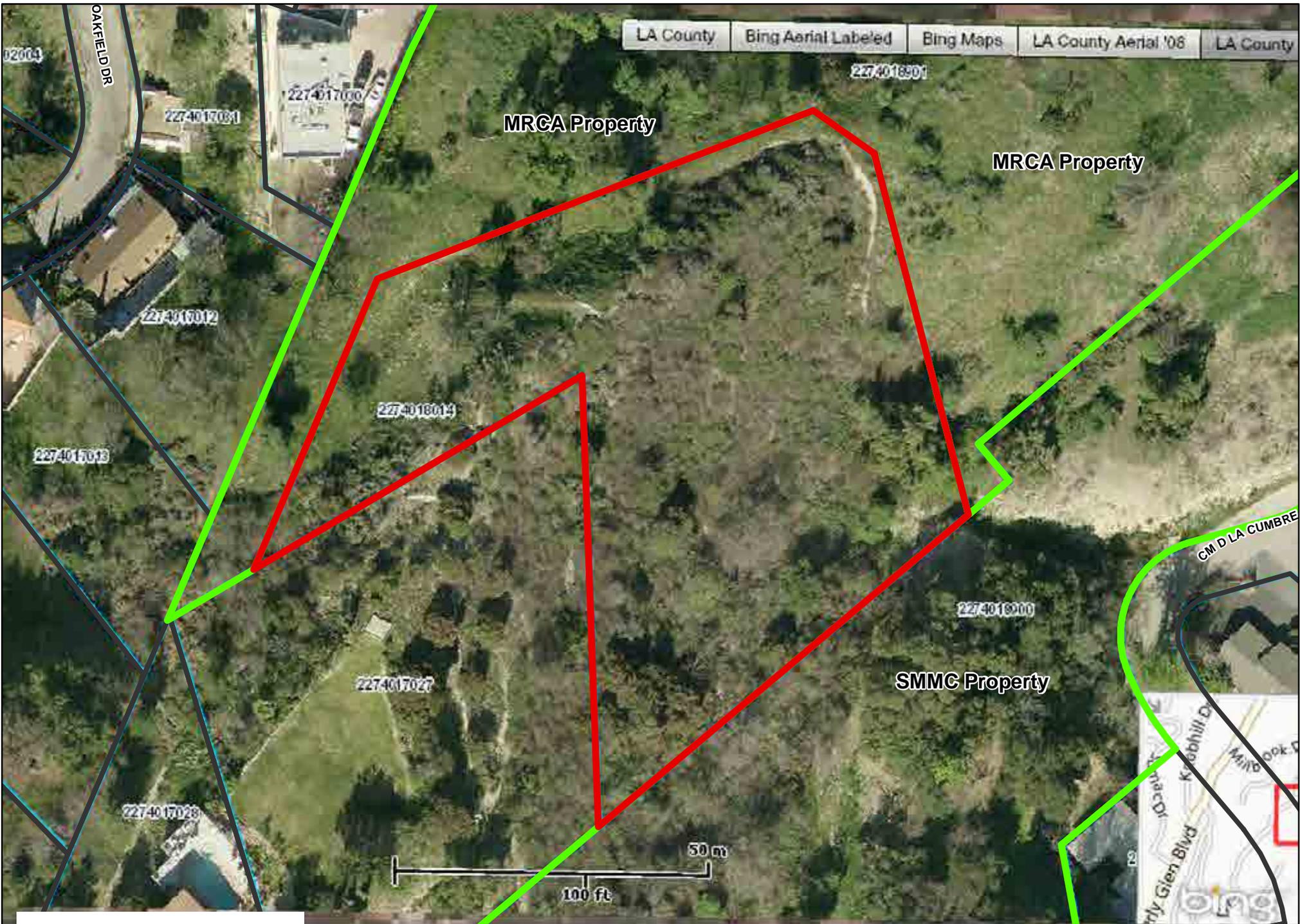
ABSTAIN: none

ABSENT: none

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Governing Board of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, duly noticed and held according to law, on the 2nd day of October, 2013.

Date: 10/2/13


Executive Officer



MRCA Property

MRCA Property

SMMC Property

- 2274-018-014
- SMMC MRCA Property





-  2274-018-014
-  SMMC MRCA Property

