

# WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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## MEMORANDUM

Date: November 14, 2013

To: The Governing Board Members

From:  Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Officer

Subject: **Agenda Item X: Direction to staff regarding City of Brea 2013 Update of Environmental Impact Report 02-01 for the Madrona Residential Development Plan (a revision of the former Canyon Crest Plan), Carbon Canyon watershed.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board discuss whether to direct staff to provide comments on said document, and if so, provide direction to staff regarding the substance and tone of such comments.

Background: In a letter dated January 31, 2013, the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority (WCCA) commented the 2012 Update of Environmental Impact Report (EIR) 02-01 for the Madrona Residential Development Plan (A Revision of the Former Canyon Crest Plan). WCCA also commented (in letters dated September 27, 2007; August 12, 2002; and July 5, 2000) on the previously proposed Canyon Crest Project on the subject site.

The City prepared a response to WCCA comments on the Madrona Residential Development Plan EIR. The City's Response to Comments and the EIR can be found online at:

<http://www.ci.brea.ca.us/index.aspx?NID=183>.

According to the City planner, the hearing on this project will commence November 17, 2013 at 7 pm and will be limited to a staff presentation. The matter will be continued to January 21, 2014.

Attached are selected excerpts from the Response to Comments and from the EIR. Some issues of potential interest to WCCA include: potential impacts to wildlife movement, potential impacts to native woodland communities, potential impacts to Chino Hills State Park, need for project changes and alternatives, and need for assurances to adequately protect any remaining open space onsite in perpetuity.

The Governing Board may wish to discuss this item, discuss whether to direct staff to provide comments, and provide direction regarding the substance and tone of such comments.