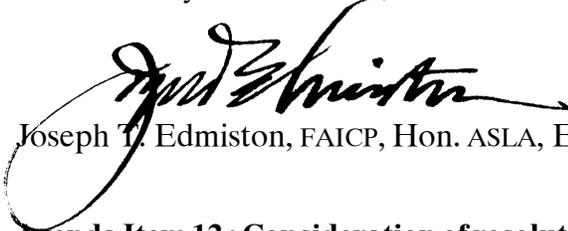


Memorandum

To : The Conservancy
The Advisory Committee

Date: April 30, 2007

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

Subject: **Agenda Item 12 : Consideration of resolution adopting 2007 Vegetation Management and Fire Prevention Plan.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Conservancy adopt a resolution adopting the 2007 Vegetation Management and Fire Prevention Plan.

Legislative Authority: Section 33211(c) of the Public Resources Code.

Background: The Spring 2007 Vegetation Management & Fire Prevention Plan will be provided under separate cover prior to the April 30 meeting. The Plan is intended to provide an overview of the magnitude of annual and ongoing brush clearance activities on agency parklands owned or managed by the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy or Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority. Included are criteria developed by the agencies and fire departments, general work schedule of brush clearance needs on currently identified agency lands, costs associated with the clearance, and funding sources. A short presentation will be made at the April 30 Board meeting, and additional information may also be provided at that time.

Significant clearance work has already been performed to date, and will continue to be performed on previously identified properties up to July 1. Assessor Parcel Numbers, or APN's, are outlined in the plan. The ongoing and planned work utilizes crews from Los Angeles County, California Department of Forestry, California Conservation Corps, private contractor crews, and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) crews.

Total cost for the plan will be \$597,000 which will cover spring clearance to July 1st 2007.