

April 30, 2007; Agenda Item No. 16

Resolution No. 07-31

RESOLUTION OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY AUTHORIZING A GRANT  
OF PROPOSITION 12 FUNDS TO THE DESERT AND MOUNTAIN CONSERVATION AUTHORITY  
FOR  
PRE-ACQUISITION SERVICES IN THE UPPER SANTA CLARA RIVER WATERSHED,  
SIERRA PELONA MOUNTAINS, AND SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS

WHEREAS, The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy is authorized to award grants to government agencies pursuant to Section 33204(c) of the Public Resources Code; and

WHEREAS, the State of California has authorized expenditure of funds from Proposition 12, the Safe Neighborhood Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air, and Coastal Protection Act of 2000 to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for grants for acquisition, enhancement, and restoration of natural lands (Section 5096.353); and

WHEREAS, The DMCA has made a request for a grant from Proposition 12, Article 8, Section 5096.353; and

WHEREAS, The proposed project is consistent with the goals set forth in Proposition 12, Article 1, Sections 5096.302(e) and 5096.303(c); and

WHEREAS, The proposed project is consistent with the Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, The proposed action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); Now

*Therefore Be It Resolved*, That the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy hereby:

1. FINDS that the proposed action is consistent with the Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor Master Plan.
2. FINDS that the proposed action is consistent with the goals set forth in Proposition 12, Article 1, Sections 5096.302(e) and 5096.303(c) and is eligible for funding under Section 5096.353.
3. FINDS that the proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

4. ADOPTS the staff report and recommendations dated April 30, 2007.
5. AUTHORIZES a grant of Proposition 12 funds to the Desert and Mountain Conservation Authority in the amount of \$50,000.00 for pre-acquisition services in the Upper Santa Clara River watershed, Sierra Pelona Mountains, and San Gabriel Mountains.
6. FURTHER AUTHORIZES the Chairperson to execute the grant agreement and to perform any and all acts necessary to carry out this resolution; without limiting the generality of the foregoing, such authority shall include those provisions that he shall determine in the exclusive exercise of his discretion are necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution and to comply with the policies of the Conservancy, and to otherwise carry out the provisions of state law and regulations.

*~ End of Resolution ~*

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, duly noticed and held according to law, on the 30<sup>h</sup> day of April, 2007 at Malibu, California.

Dated:

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Executive Director