



MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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Ms. Elizabeth Cheadle, Chairperson
Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy
5750 Ramirez Canyon Road
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Grant Application - Proposition 50 Funds for Acquisition of Devil Canyon Parcel

Dear Chairperson Cheadle:

On behalf of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA), I am pleased to present the enclosed application for grant funding from the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for acquisition of an approximately 53-acre parcel in Devil Canyon, Santa Susana Mountains. The MRCA requests a grant in an amount not to exceed \$220,000 from Proposition 50, the Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002, specifically Water Code Section 7957(c).

The proposed grant would fund fee acquisition and closing costs for Assessor Parcel Number 2821-009-020. The parcel is situated between other MRCA parkland in the Santa Susana Mountains including Rocky Peak Park and the Michael D. Antonovich Regional Park at Joughin Ranch. The parcel is undeveloped and has an extensive riparian woodland corridor running north-south. The property has been appraised and the requested grant would cover acquisition and closing costs, should the owners accept the fair market value offer. The acquisition is within the Conservancy's Land Acquisition Workprogram listing for Devil/Ybarra Canyons-Central. If you have any questions regarding this application, please contact Mr. Paul Edelman at (310) 589-3230, extension 128.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael D. Berger".

Michael D. Berger
Chairperson