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Memorandum

To: The Conservancy

The Advisory Committee

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

Subject: Agenda Item 9(e): Consideration of resolution authorizing a budget augmentation of SMM-84-0876.

<u>Staff Recommendation</u>: That the Conservancy adopt the attached resolution recommending authorizing a budget augmentation of SMM-84-0876 in the amount of \$100,000.

<u>Legislative Authority</u>: Sections 33204(c), 33204.2, and 33204.27 of the Public Resources Code.

<u>Background</u>: SMM-84-0876 is a Proposition 84 grant awarded to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) for project planning and design of the Malibu Bluffs property. The work included site analysis, evaluation of public access opportunities, and a management plan for sensitive habitat areas.

On June 10, 2009, the California Coastal Commission voted unanimously 12 to 0 to approve the Conservancy and MRCA proposed amendment to the Malibu Local Coastal Program. This action created an overlay for increased public access to public lands in Malibu through an expanded trail network and the development of campsites in multiple locations. During the Coastal hearing, the Commission added the Malibu Bluffs site to the list of park properties to be considered for camping as part of the Malibu Parks Public Access Enhancement Plan (Plan).

MRCA staff and its various consultants have incorporated the Malibu Bluffs into the Plan and the accompanying draft Environmental Impact Report. This required a greater level of technical detail and specialized reports than had been previously anticipated. The additional funds are necessary to cover the costs of finalizing the Malibu Bluffs sections in both documents for hearing by the California Coastal Commission.

<u>Consideration</u>: The amount of the Proposition 84 augmentation is \$100,000.00.