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Resolution No. 12-05

RESOLUTION OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY AUTHORIZING A MATCHING GRANT FROM THE CONSERVANCY FUND TO THE CALIFORNIA TRAILS CONFERENCE FOUNDATION FOR THE 27^{th} California trails and Greenways conference

WHEREAS, The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy is authorized to award grants to nonprofit organizations qualified as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, pursuant to Section 33204.2(a) of the Public Resources Code; and

WHEREAS, The California Trails Conference Foundation is a qualified nonprofit organization; and

WHEREAS, The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy supports the preservation, improvement, and management of trails and greenways; and

WHEREAS, The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy supports the efforts of the California Department of Parks and Recreation and other agencies to provide recreational trails and greenways for all Californians; and

WHEREAS, The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy supports programs to increase public awareness of open space, trails, and habitat preservation issues in the greater Los Angeles/Ventura Counties region for the purposes of resource stewardship, public access to parklands, and environmental education; and

WHEREAS, The staff report dated January 23, 2012 further describes the project; and

WHEREAS, The proposed action is categorically exempt from the provisions of 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 Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Comprehensive Plan, Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor Master Plan, and Conservancy Strategic Objectives.
- 2. FINDS that the proposed action is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
- 3. ADOPTS the staff report and recommendation for this item, dated January 23, 2012.

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- 4. AUTHORIZES a matching grant from the Conservancy Fund to the California Trails Conference Foundation in an amount not to exceed \$40,000 to provide the 27th California Trails and Greenways Conference.
- 5. FURTHER AUTHORIZES the Executive Director to execute the 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 ~

IHEREBY 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 23rd day of January, 2012, at Los Angeles, California.

Dated:	
	Executive Director