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## Memorandum

To: The Conservancy

The Advisory Committee

From

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

Subject: Agenda Item 9(d): Consideration of resolution authorizing entering into a license agreement with the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for management of Upper Las Virgenes Open Space property pursuant to the Offer to Dedicate agreement and pending transfer of title.

<u>Legislative Authority</u>: Public Resources Code Section 33211(c).

Staff Recommendation: That the Conservancy authorize entering into the license agreement..

<u>Background:</u> The Department of General Services required the Conservancy to enter into a license agreement for the management of Ahmanson Ranch as a condition of approval of the acquisition. The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority owns the adjacent 2600 acre Upper Las Virgenes Open Space parkland and has offered the property to the Conservancy. The Conservancy accepted the offer and the transaction is being processed by the Department of General Services which has again requested that a license agreement be entered into for management of the property. The Governing Board of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority approved entering into the license agreement.