

Attachment
SMMC Item 13
June 3, 2013

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Grant Application

Print Form



The Natural Resources Agency

Project Title:	Project Planning and Design - Ballona Creek and Ballona Wetlands	Date:	5/15/2013
Funds:	Proposition 84	Amount:	40,000
Applicant Name:	Mountains Recreation & Conservation Authority	Match amount:	0.00
Address:	570 West Avenue 26, Suite 100	Match source:	n/a
State/Province:	Los Angeles, CA	Total Project Cost:	40,000
Zip/Postal code:	90065	Brief Project Description:	Project planning and design activities for the Ballona Creek and Ballona Wetlands area from Culver City to the Pacific Ocean, Santa Monica Bay Watershed
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Grantee's Authorized Representative: Lisa Soghor, Deputy Executive Officer 323-221-9944, x105 lisa.soghor@mrca.ca.gov

Name and Title Phone Number Email

Person with day-to-day responsibility: Barbara Romero, Chief of Urban Projects 323-221-9944, x188 barbara.romero@mrca.ca.gov

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Project Objective:

Objectives of the project planning and design grant are to plan land acquisitions and improvement projects to protect, restore, preserve, interpret and develop the land and water resources of the Santa Monica Bay watershed, specifically in the Ballona Creek and Ballona Wetlands area from Culver City to the Pacific Ocean. Please see attached pages for additional information.

*Attach additional pages as necessary

Project Address:

Various locations

Latitude:	n/a	Acreage:	n/a	Trail Length:	n/a
Longitude:	n/a	APN's:	n/a	Stream Miles:	n/a
Congressional District:	various	State Senate District:	various	Assembly District:	various

Tasks / Milestones:

Budget:

Completion Date:

See attached budget

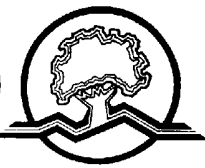
June 30, 2016

*Attach additional pages as necessary

I certify that the information contained in this Grant Application form, including required attachments, is accurate.

Lisa Soghor
Signature of Authorized Representative

5/24/2013
Date



MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM:  Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Officer

DATE: May 1, 2013

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item VI (i): Consideration of resolution authorizing submission of an application to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for a project planning and design grant for the Ballona Creek and Ballona Wetlands area from Culver City to the Pacific Ocean, Santa Monica Bay Watershed.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing submission of an application to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for a project planning and design grant for the Ballona Creek and Ballona Wetlands area from Culver City to the Pacific Ocean, Santa Monica Bay Watershed.

Background: The MRCA develops and implements a wide range of projects for the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy including through project planning and design grants. To continue this effort to secure and develop land interests and public recreation resources in the Conservancy's jurisdiction, staff is seeking authorization to submit a project planning and design grant application to the Conservancy. This proposed grant application is for the Ballona Creek and Ballona Wetlands area from Culver City to the Pacific Ocean, Santa Monica Bay Watershed.

The planning and design project along the Ballona Creek would build upon recent and successful MRCA projects in the Santa Monica Bay Watershed. Ballona Creek is one of the few creeks in southern California whose entire life above ground is experienced within the urban matrix of Los Angeles. Such close proximity provides a wealth of opportunities for social, environmental, and recreational benefits. The Ballona area provides countless opportunities to connect publicly- and privately-owned vacant and developed land through the creation of new parklands and habitat linkages within established communities. Approximately 4.5 miles of the 7.5 mile Ballona Creek consists of soft-bottom section which serves as significant wildlife habitat. Planning for and creating open space, with water quality improvement components, directly adjacent to this segment is vital in sustaining the existing and future wildlife and providing additional green buffers. Additionally, the

Creek has a direct linkage to the Ballona Wetlands which are significant in their habitat and recreational potential. The Baldwin Hills is also located in close proximity to the Creek and is important to incorporate and develop projects within this area due to its direct connection to additional dense urban populations, open space (both protected and unprotected), and the potential for trail linkages. Given the opportunities, and potential project funding availability over the next two years, staff expects that the grant application will be for \$40,000 pending confirmation of funding availability.

The proposed project area included under this grant would encompass approximately 7.5 miles of Ballona Creek just below the 10 Fwy., include the Baldwin Hills, and south-west towards and including the Ballona Wetlands to the Pacific Ocean. Future projects developed through planning and design in this area would also create important linkages to other nearby planned and existing regional bike paths and trails. See attached map.

**Budget for SMMC Grant Application
Project Planning and Design - Ballona Creek and Ballona Wetlands**

Grant Balance: \$ 40,000.00

as of: 5/1/2013

Required for All Bond Funded Grants			Required for Prop 84 Grants Only	
G/L Acct.	G/L Name	Total Budget	LAR Watershed	SMB Watershed
(A) PAYROLL Related Expenses:				
Enter TOTAL Payroll Related Expenses Here →→→→ [Note: No need to fill out the individual payroll line items below]		\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ -
Several	Direct Salaries, Payroll Taxes, Benefits	\$ 24,500.00	\$ 33,950.00	\$ -
9998, 9999	Administrative Cost	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 1,050.00	\$ -
(B) NON-PAYROLL Expenses:				
4001	Grants-MRCA			
5001	Land Purchase - Land			
5002	Land Purchase - Appraisals/CEQA	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	
5003	Land Purchase - Escrow, Title & Closing Fees	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	
5111	Land & Building Improvement - Roads			
5112	Land & Building Improvement - Materials			
5113	Land & Building Improvement - Equipment			
5114	Land & Building Improvement - Sub Contractors			
5115	Land & Building Improvement - Design/Pre-Construction	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	
5116	Land & Building Improvement - Other			
7777	Equipment Allocation			
Totals:		\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ -