

# Memorandum

To : The Conservancy  
The Advisory Committee

Date: June 29, 2015

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

Subject: **Agenda Item 12: Consideration of resolution adopting the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Proposition 1 Competitive Grant Program Guidelines.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Conservancy adopt the attached resolution adopting the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Proposition 1 Competitive Grant Program Guidelines.

Legislative Authority: Section 79706(a) of the Water Code which states:

Prior to disbursing grants or loans pursuant to this division, each state agency that receives an appropriation from the funding made available by this division to administer a competitive grant or loan program under this division shall develop and adopt project solicitation and evaluation guidelines. The guidelines shall include monitoring and reporting requirements and may include a limitation on the dollar amount of grants or loans to be awarded.

Background: Conservancy staff has developed the proposed guidelines since Proposition 1 was passed in November 2014. Multiple written comments were submitted, and are included as attachments. The Conservancy held five Public Meetings (listed below) to receive comments and answer questions regarding these guidelines.

June 1, 2015 at 5:30pm  
King Gillette Ranch  
26800 Mulholland Highway  
Calabasas, California 91302

June 15, 2015 at 11:15am  
California State Coastal  
Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Oakland, California 94612

June 15, 2015 at 3:00pm  
Natural Resources Agency, 13<sup>th</sup>

Floor  
1416 Ninth Street  
Sacramento, California 95814  
June 16, 2015 at 7:00pm  
Los Angeles River Center and  
Gardens  
570 West Avenue Twenty-six  
Los Angeles, California 90065

June 18, 2015 at 2:00pm  
Marsh Park  
2944 Gleneden Street  
Los Angeles, California 90039