

SANTA CLARITA WATERSHED RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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SECTION 6500 ET SEQ*

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

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

DATE: June 25, 2015

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item XII: Consideration of resolution a comment letter to National Park Service on the Rim of the Valley Corridor Draft Special Resource Study and Environmental Assessment.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing a comment letter to National Park Service on the Rim of the Valley Corridor Draft Special Resource Study and Environmental Assessment.

Background: The comment period for the Rim of the Valley Corridor Draft Special Resource Study and Environmental Assessment closes on June 30, 2015. The study addresses expansion of the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area boundary. The NPS recommended Alternative C omits key areas in the Santa Clara River watershed. Alternative D includes all of Alternative C and these omitted areas. Maps of both alternatives are attached. Alternative D includes the whole of the area between State Route 14 and the Angeles National Forest to the south where most SCWRCA land acquisition activity has occurred to date. A draft comment letter supporting Alternative D is attached.