

Memorandum

To : The Conservancy
The Advisory Committee

Date: September 28, 2015

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

Subject: **Agenda Item 9(a): Consideration of resolution authorizing transfer of an interest in APN 2819-010-905, located in the Deerlake Highlands area of unincorporated Chatsworth, to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Conservancy adopt the attached resolution authorizing transfer of an interest in APN 2819-010-905, located in the Deerlake Highlands area of unincorporated Chatsworth, to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority.

Legislative Authority: Section 33211(c) of the Public Resources Code.

Background: In September 2001, the Conservancy adopted Resolution Nos. 01-159 and 01-160 which exercised its right to approximately twenty tax defaulted parcels throughout Los Angeles County and authorized a Proposition 12 grant to the Mountains and Recreation Conservation Authority (MRCA) for the acquisition of said parcels. It also assigned the right to acquire the properties to the MRCA. Subsequently, the MRCA duly authorized acceptance of the grant funds and the acquisition of the tax defaulted properties from Los Angeles County.

When the transfer from the County was complete, due to the limitations of the tax-default Chapter 8 sales system, the deeds were issued in the name of the Conservancy, not the MRCA. This resolution will allow the Conservancy to correct this error by quitclaiming any and all interest in the subject properties to the MRCA as originally intended by the Conservancy and the MRCA.