

September 23, 2019; Agenda Item No. 12

Resolution No. 19-57

RESOLUTION OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY AUTHORIZING THE  
AUGMENTATION OF GRANT 3810-P01-1811 FOR PROPOSITION 1 FUNDS TO THE  
MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY FOR LOS  
ANGELES RIVER COMMUNITY ACCESS PLANNING,  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

WHEREAS, the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy is authorized to award grants to joint powers authorities pursuant to Sections 33204.2 and 33204.27 of the Public Resources Code;

WHEREAS, the State of California has authorized an expenditure of funds from Proposition 1, the Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014 to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for capital outlay and local assistance multi-benefit grants for ecosystem and watershed protection and restoration projects;

WHEREAS, the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority has requested a grant augmentation from Proposition 1, Section 79735(a) of the Water Code in the amount of \$25,000;

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles River Community Access Planning project was previously determined to meet all requirements of the Conservancy's Proposition 1 grant guidelines, including having received at least the minimum score required for consideration;

WHEREAS, the proposed action is consistent with the *Santa Monica Mountains Comprehensive plan*, the *Rim of the Valley Corridor Plan*, and the *San Gabriel and Los Angeles River Watershed and Open Space Plan*; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project protects land and water resources; and

WHEREAS, The proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA): Now

*Therefore Be It Resolved*, That the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy hereby:

1. FINDS that the proposed action is consistent with the *Santa Monica Mountains Comprehensive Plan*, the *Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor Master Plan*, and the *San Gabriel and Los Angeles River Watershed and Open Space Plan* as adopted by the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy;

2. FINDS that the proposed action is consistent with the Conservancy's Strategic Objectives;
3. FINDS that the proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA);
4. ADOPTS the staff report and recommendations dated September 23, 2019 for this item;
5. ADOPTS all of the preceding whereas clauses;
6. AUTHORIZES a augmentation to grant 3810-P01-1811 to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for Los Angeles River Community Access Planning in the amount of \$25,000 of Proposition 1 funds; and
10. FURTHER AUTHORIZES the Executive Director to execute the grant agreement and to perform any and all acts necessary to carry out this resolution; without limiting the generality of the foregoing, such authority shall include those provisions that he shall determine in the exclusive exercise of his discretion are necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution and to comply with the policies of the Conservancy, and to otherwise carry out the provisions of state law and regulations.

*~ End of Resolution ~*

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, duly noticed and held according to law, on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2019 at Thousand Oaks, California.

Dated:

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Executive Director