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Resolution No. 20-13

RESOLUTION OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE UPPER LOS ANGELES RIVER AND TRIBUTARIES REVITALIZATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy is authorized to approve and adopt the *Upper Los Angeles River and Tributaries Revitalization Plan* pursuant to Section 33220 of the Public Resources Code;

WHEREAS, the *Upper Los Angeles River and Tributaries Revitalization Plan* is consistent with the *San Gabriel and Los Angeles River Watershed and Open Space Plan*, and shall be considered an amendment to that document;

WHEREAS, the *Upper Los Angeles River and Tributaries Revitalization Plan* is consistent with the Conservancy's Strategic Objectives to implement the *San Gabriel and Los Angeles Rivers Watershed and Open Space Plan*, further cooperation with local governments in the region to secure open space and parkland, expand efforts to integrate nature into the urban environment, expand education, public access, and resource stewardship components in a manner that best serves the public, protects habitat, and provides recreational opportunities, and develop long term capital improvement and maintenance plans;

WHEREAS, the Upper Los Angeles River and Tributaries Working Group, which was established pursuant to Section 33220 of the Public Resources Code, approved the Plan on April 16, 2020;

WHEREAS, the *Upper Los Angeles River and Tributaries Revitalization Plan* 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, and shall be considered an amendment to, 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;

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- 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 June 1, 2020 for this item;
- 5. ADOPTS the Upper Los Angeles River and Tributaries Revitalization Plan;
- 6. AUTHORIZES the Executive Director to perform any and all act 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 ~

IHEREBY 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 1st day of June, 2020 at Los Angeles, California.

| Dated: | |
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| | Executive Director |