

== **Watershed Conservation Authority** ==



# **Board Reports**

## **May 1, 2008**

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

The public meeting of the  
**Watershed Conservation Authority (WCA)**

will be held on

**Thursday, May 1, 2008**

**at 2:30p.m.**

at the following locations:

Hall of Adm., 500 W. Temple Street 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Office of Supervisor Gloria Molina,  
8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90012  
Gateway Cities COG, 16401 Paramount Blvd, Conf. Room, Paramount, CA 90723  
San Gabriel Valley Water Company, 11142 Garvey Avenue, El Monte, CA 91734

**AGENDA**

1. Call to Order
2. Public Comment  
*Individuals wishing to comment must fill out a comment card at the meeting for the official record and will be allowed two minutes to speak, and representatives of organizations/agencies will be allowed three minutes to speak. Speaker time may be reduced depending on the number of speakers*
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Chair's Report
5. Deputy Attorney General's Report
6. Executive Officer's Reports
7. Regular Calendar
  - A. Consideration of resolution authorizing an application and acceptance of a grant from the Los Angeles County Open Space District (Proposition A) for the acquisition of four parcels north of Imperial Highway and east of the 710 Freeway in South Gate for the South Gate Riparian Restoration project.
  - B. Consideration of resolution accepting a grant from the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy for the acquisition of four parcels north of Imperial Highway and east of the 710 Freeway in South Gate for the South Gate Riparian Restoration project.
  - C. Consideration of resolution authorizing negotiations for the acquisition of four parcels north of Imperial Highway and east of the 710 Freeway in South Gate for the South Gate Riparian Restoration project. Assessor Parcel Nos. 6233-032-007 and 008, 6233-037-003 and 007: Property Owner: The Trust for Public Land; Property Owner Negotiator: Pascaline Derrick; WCA Negotiators: Belinda V. Faustinos, Alina Bokde; Under Consideration: Price and terms
  - D. Consideration of resolution awarding a contract to EDAW Inc. for construction design documents for the Duck Farm project.
  - E. Consideration of resolution adopting a policy for allocation of lease revenue to administrative and operational expenditures.
  - F. Consideration of resolution augmenting the property and structure maintenance services contract.
  - G. Consideration of a resolution authorizing an application for the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy grant program for: a) SGR Confluence with Cattle Canyon Improvements, b) San Gabriel River Trail extension to ARWP, c)

Development of the Duck Farm Phase 1B, d) Planning for Phase 2 of the Duck Farm project, e) AZRWP at El Encanto Phase 1 Development, f) 98<sup>th</sup> Street Park, and g) Citrus Heights Bike Stop Development.

8. Statements, responses, questions or directions to staff pursuant to Section 54954.2(a) of the Government Code.
9. Announcement of next meeting date
10. Adjournment

*Public participation is welcome on any agenda item. Members of the public wishing to address the Governing Body on any item should address the Chair. During the meeting the governing board may hold a closed session on any item pursuant to Government Code sections 54956.8 and 54956.9. In advance of the meeting, questions about the agenda items should be addressed to Belinda Faustinos at (626) 458-4315.*

*Note: In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, if you require a disability-related modification or accommodation to attend or participate in the meeting, including auxiliary aids or services, please contact the Board Secretary at (626) 458-4315 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.*

**MINUTES  
BOARD MEETING  
WATERSHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY (WCA)  
February 5, 2008**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Bookhammer at approximately 3:11pm.

The meeting was held at the Hall of Administration, 500 W. Temple Street, 7th Fl. Conf. Room 528, Los Angeles, CA 90012, Gateway Cities COG, 16401 Paramount Blvd., Small Conf. Room, Paramount, CA 90723, and San Gabriel Valley Water Company, 11142 Garvey Avenue, El Monte, CA 91734.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chair Charles Bookhammer (for Supervisor Burke)  
Vice Chair Erica Jacquez-Santos (for Supervisor Molina)  
Mr. Dan Arrighi  
Mr. Dean Grose  
Mr. Frank Colonna  
Ms. Connie Sziebl (for Supervisor Knabe)

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Mr. Patrick O'Donnell  
Mr. Juventino Gomez (for Supervisor Antonovich)  
Mr. Don Wolfe

**STAFF PRESENT**

Belinda Faustinos, Executive Officer  
Terry Fujimoto, Deputy Attorney General  
Valerie Thompson, Executive Secretary

**Mr. O'Donnell arrived at approximately 3:13pm.**

**2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**Vice Chair Santos was elected as Chair and Chair Bookhammer was elected as Vice Chair.**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments.

**4. APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 26, 2007 MINUTES**

The Executive Officer pointed out an error in the minutes under Item 4, Approval of the Minutes; Vice Chair Santos is a representative for Supervisor Molina not Burke and Chair Bookhammer is a representative for Supervisor Burke not Molina.

**Mr. Arrighi motioned to approve the minutes as amended; Vice Chair Santos seconded the motion. Unanimously passed.**

**5. CHAIR'S REPORT**

No report was given.

**6. DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPORT**

No report was given.

**7. EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

**a. Liaison and Activities Report**

The Executive Officer informed the Board that staff has moved into the new RMC and WCA office at the "El Encanto" property.

**b. Expenditure Report**

The Executive Officer reported that 21 citations for parking and 63 administrative citations were issued by the rangers, and that the revenue would be placed into the WCA budget later in the year.

**8. REGULAR CALENDAR**

**A. CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REQUEST FOR BIDS PROCESS AND AWARD OF CONTRACT(S) FOR EL ENCANTO IMPROVEMENTS.**

The Executive Officer reported that although all of the major improvements to the building have been completed, there are additional repairs that need to be made to the roof and leaks in the walls.

**Vice Chair Santos moved to adopt the resolution; Mr. Arrighi seconded the motion. Unanimously passed.**

**B. CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH WENK AND ASSOCIATES FOR THE WHITTIER NARROWS RECREATION PLAN UPDATE.**

The Executive Officer gave a brief summary regarding the bidding process and funding partners. It was noted that nine proposals were submitted for the scope of work and were evaluated by the planning team

(Army Corp of Engineers, L.A. County Dept. of Public Works, Dept. of Parks & Recreation, City of Pico Rivera and the Water Replenishing District) who are funding partners in updating the plan, and that the team selected Wenk Associates because it was viewed that the firm had the best qualifications.

It was noted that staff and Wenk Associates are in the process of negotiating the contract. There was a public comment from James Odling who requested clarification as to whether or not the RMC outreach workers would be involved. The Executive Officer explained that the RMC outreach workers are not directly involved, and that the outreach component of the contract will have its own consultants that will be working on that effort and that the RMC outreach workers might attend some of the meeting. It was noted that the community outreach effort that is being conducted by the San Gabriel River Discovery Center Authority is a separate process.

**Mr. Arrighi moved to adopt the resolution; Vice Chair Santos seconded the motion. Unanimously passed.**

- C. CONSIDERATION A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GRANT AUGMENTATION FROM THE RIVERS AND MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY AND AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH PSOMAS ENGINEERING TO PROVIDE SURVEYING SERVICES FOR THE SAN JOSE CREEK/ALMAS PROPERTY.**

The Executive Officer gave a brief summary and update which included the fact that a survey of the site is needed and bid process, and that Psomas is the preferred entity.

**Chair Bookhammer moved to adopt the resolution; Mr. Arrighi seconded the motion. Unanimously passed.**

- D. CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REQUEST FOR BIDS PROCESS AND AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE DEMOLITION OF THE MOBILE HOMES AT EL ENCANTO.**

The Executive Officer reported on the relocation and demolition process and noted that all of the tenants should be moved by the beginning of July, and that all of the mobile homes will be demolished with the possible exception of one that might be moved.

**Mr. O'Donnell moved to adopt the resolution; Mr. Arrighi seconded the motion. Unanimously passed.**

- E. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR, VICE CHAIR AND ALINA BOKDE AS DESIGNATED SIGNATORIES FOR APPROVAL OF PAYMENT DEMANDS.**

The Executive Officer explained that there was a request from the Flood

Control District Auditor Controller's Office to obtain signature approval for newly elected Chair, Vice Chair and the RMC's Deputy Executive Officer.

**Mr. Arrighi moved to adopt the resolution; Ms. Grose seconded the motion. Unanimously passed.**

**9. STATEMENTS, RESPONSES, QUESTIONS OR DIRECTIONS TO STAFF PURSUANT TO SECTION 54954.2(a) OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE.**

There were no statements, responses, questions or directions to staff.

**10. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE**

The next Board meeting is to be determined.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Bookhammer adjourned the meeting at 3:28 p.m.

**DATE:** May 1, 2008

**TO:** WCA Governing Board

**FROM:** Belinda V. Faustinos, Executive Officer

**SUBJECT:** **Item 7A: Consideration of a resolution authorizing an application and acceptance of a grant from the LA County Open Space District (Proposition A) for the acquisition of four parcels north of Imperial Highway and east of the 710 Freeway in South Gate for the South Gate Riparian Restoration Project.**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** That the WCA Board apply for, and accept, a Proposition A grant in the amount of \$441,000 for acquisition of the South Gate Riparian Restoration project.

**BACKGROUND:** This project is a fee simple acquisition of approximately 7.81 acres within the City of South Gate along the Los Angeles River. The property consists of 4 vacant parcels north of Imperial Highway and east of the 710 freeway. The acquisition of these properties presents a great opportunity to protect an important bicycle access point, provide amenities to users using the bike trail and allow for storm water capture. The Rivers and Mountains Conservancy has provided a grant to North East Trees to develop a feasibility study and conceptual plan for its development as a passive park with restored riparian habitat. The long-term steward of the property, the Watershed Conservation Authority, will be responsible for the operation and maintenance. The WCA will utilize revenue from a billboard located on the property to cover the operation and maintenance costs.

The fair market value of the property is \$630,000. Funding for the acquisition will come from a grant in the amount of \$441,000 from the County of Los Angeles, Proposition A funds along with a matching grant from RMC of \$189,000 using Proposition 40 funds.

The Rivers and Mountains Conservancy provided a grant to The Trust for Public Land to perform the necessary due diligence for the possible acquisition of this property. The due diligence is complete and being reviewed by the appropriate entities. After approval of the due diligence documents and securing the acquisition funds, the WCA will move forward with the acquisition of this property. It is anticipated that the potential acquisition of the property will be completed by July of 2008.



RESOLUTION NO. 2008 - 6

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WATERSHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY ACCEPTING THE ASSIGNMENT OF THE RIGHT TO APPLY FOR PROPOSITION A EXCESS FUNDS FROM THE MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY (MRCA) AND APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT FOR FIRST SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT EXCESS FUNDS FOR THE SOUTH GATE RIPARIAN RESTORATION ACQUISITION PROJECT

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WHEREAS, the people of the County of Los Angeles on November 3, 1992, and on November 5, 1996 enacted Los Angeles County Proposition A, Safe Neighborhood Parks, Gang Prevention, Tree-Planting, senior and Youth Recreation, Beach and Wildlife Protection (the Proposition), which among other uses, provides funds to public agencies and nonprofit organizations in the County for the purpose of acquiring and/or development facilities and open space for public recreation; and

WHEREAS, the Proposition also created the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District (the District) to administer said funds; and

WHEREAS, the District has set forth the necessary procedures governing application for grant funds under the Proposition, and

WHEREAS, the District's procedures require the Watershed Conservation Authority to certify, by resolution, the approval of the application before submission of said application(s) to the District; and

WHEREAS, said application contains assurances that the Watershed Conservation Authority must comply with; and

WHEREAS, the Watershed Conservation Authority will enter into a Project Agreement with the District to provide funds for acquisition and development projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WATERSHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY HEREBY:

1. Accepts the right to apply for Proposition A Excess Funds from the MRCA and approves the filing of an application with the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District for First Supervisorial District Excess Funds for the above project; and
2. Certifies that the Watershed Conservation Authority understands the assurances and certification in the application form; and
3. Certifies that the Watershed Conservation Authority has, or will have, sufficient funds to operate and maintain the project in perpetuity; and
4. Appoints the Executive Officer, or designee to conduct all negotiations, and to execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to, applications, agreements,

amendments, payment requests and so forth, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project.

Passed, approved and adopted this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2008

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Chair, Erica Jacques-Santos

ATTEST:

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Deputy Attorney General, Terry Fujimoto

**DATE:** May 1, 2008

**TO:** WCA Governing Board

**FROM:** Belinda V. Faustinos, Executive Officer

**SUBJECT:** **Item 7B: Consideration of a resolution accepting a grant from the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy for the acquisition of four parcels north of Imperial Highway and east of the 710 Freeway in South Gate for the South Gate Riparian Restoration Project.**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** That the WCA Board accept a matching grant in the amount of \$189,000 from the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy for the acquisition of four parcels north of Imperial Highway and east of the 710 freeway in South Gate for the South Gate Riparian Restoration project.

**BACKGROUND:** This project is a fee simple acquisition of approximately 7.81 acres within the City of South Gate along the Los Angeles River. The property consists of 4 vacant parcels north of Imperial Highway and east of the 710 freeway. The acquisition of these properties presents a great opportunity to protect an important bicycle access point, provide amenities to users using the bike trail and allow for storm water capture. The Rivers and Mountains Conservancy has provided a grant to North East Trees to develop a feasibility study and conceptual plan for its development as a passive park with restored riparian habitat. The long-term steward of the property, the Watershed Conservation Authority, will be responsible for the operation and maintenance. The WCA will utilize revenue from a billboard located on the property to cover the operation and maintenance costs.

The fair market value of the property is \$630,000. Funding for the acquisition will come from a grant in the amount of \$441,000 from the County of Los Angeles, Proposition A funds along with a matching grant from RMC of \$189,000 using Proposition 40 funds.

The Rivers and Mountains Conservancy provided a grant to The Trust for Public Land to perform the necessary due diligence for the possible acquisition of this property. The due diligence is complete and being reviewed by the appropriate entities. After approval of the due diligence documents and securing the acquisition funds, the WCA will move forward with the acquisition of this property. It is anticipated that the potential acquisition of the property will be completed by July of 2008.



Sources: Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (RMIC boundary, project points), Thomas Brothers (Floods and Hydrology), Southern California Open Space Council and GreenGate Network (Parks and Open Space) All project locations are approximate. Map created by GreenGate Network. www.greengate.org

Belinda V. Faustino, Executive Officer, Lower Los Angeles and San Gabriel Rivers and Mountains Conservancy "El Encanto", 100 One California Campaign Way, P.O. Box 915, Irwin, CA 91702, Tel: 626-915-1012, Fax: 626-915-1049, www.lmca.gov, February 24, 2008

May 1, 2008 – Item 7B

RESOLUTION 2008 - 7

RESOLUTION OF THE WATERSHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY ACCEPTING A GRANT FROM THE RIVERS AND MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY FOR THE ACQUISITION OF FOUR PARCELS FOR THE SOUTH GATE RIPARIAN RESTORATION PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the WCA has been established to provide for a comprehensive program to expand and improve the open space and recreational opportunities for the conservation, restoration and environmental enhancement of the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed area consistent with the goals of flood protection, water supply, groundwater recharge and water conservation; and

WHEREAS, this action will accept a recommendation that the Watershed Conservation Authority accept a grant from the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy for the acquisition of four parcels for the South Gate Riparian Restoration project.

WHEREAS, this action is exempt from the environmental impact report requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

*Therefore be it resolved* that the WCA hereby:

- 1.
1. FINDS that this action is consistent with the purposes and objectives of the WCA.
2. FINDS that the actions contemplated by this resolution are exempt from the environmental impact report requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act.
3. ADOPTS the staff recommendation dated May 1, 2008.
4. AUTHORIZES acceptance of a grant in the amount of \$189,000 from the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy for the acquisition of four parcels for the South Gate Riparian Restoration project.

*~ End of Resolution ~*

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Passed and Adopted by the Board of the  
WATERSHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY on May 1, 2008.

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Erica Jacques-Santos, Chair

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Terry Fujimoto  
Deputy Attorney General

**DATE: May 1, 2008**

**TO: WCA Governing Board**

**FROM: Belinda V. Faustinos, Executive Officer**

**SUBJECT: Item 7C: Consideration of a resolution authorizing negotiations for the acquisition of four parcels north of Imperial Highway and east of the 710 freeway in South Gate for the South Gate Riparian Restoration Project.**

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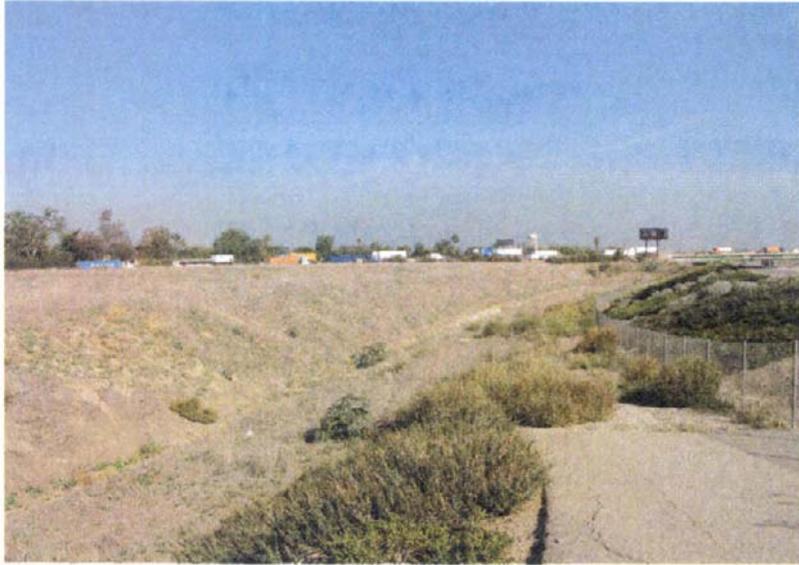
**RECOMMENDATION:** That the WCA Board adopt the resolution authorizing entering into negotiations for the acquisition of four parcels north of Imperial Highway and east of the 710 freeway in the City of South Gate for the South Gate Riparian Restoration Project. The property is described as APN Nos. 6233-032-007 and 008, 6233-037-003 and 007; Property Owner: The Trust for Public Land; Property Owner Negotiator: Pascaline Derrick; WCA Negotiators: Belinda V. Faustinos, Alina Bokde; Under Consideration: Price and Terms.

**BACKGROUND:** This property is one of the few opportunities left along the lower Los Angeles River for open space and riparian habitat restoration. The potential acquisition of this property will result in protecting not only an important bike trail access but allow for storm water techniques and riparian habitat restoration. Commuter and recreational bike riders know that in order to ride up to the Rio Hondo River, from the Los Angeles River, they must exit on Imperial Highway. This site would provide signage and amenities for those users. Additionally, there is good evidence that this site can be improved to include a small riparian area adjacent to the Los Angeles River. The site also offers opportunities for retaining regional storm runoff on site, and improving the quality of water that is discharged into the Los Angeles River, on the northern side of Imperial Highway.

The due diligence has been completed and is under review. Because the acquisition entails two funding sources, two agencies must review and approve the appraisal. Los Angeles County, Proposition A staff is reviewing the appraisal and their review will be completed prior to the June 2008 deadline. A request has been made to Department of General Services (DGS) to complete a review of the appraisal. Staff anticipates that the appraisal review by DGS will be complete by June 2008. Pending approval of the appraisal by both DGS and Los Angeles County, the WCA will enter into an agreement to acquire the property and move to closing the transaction. The time line to complete the acquisition is anticipated to be July 2008.

The fair market value of the property is \$630,000. Funding for the potential acquisition of this property will come from the acceptance of a grant from Proposition A in the amount of \$441,000 and a matching grant from RMC of \$189,000 using Proposition 40 funds. The Watershed Conservation Authority will be the long term steward of the property and be responsible for operation and maintenance costs. This property has a billboard that will provide revenue to help cover the operation and maintenance costs.





Northerly View of Subject from Near Imperial Hwy



Southerly View of Subject from Billboard

May 1, 2008 – Item 7C

RESOLUTION 2008 - 8

RESOLUTION OF THE WATERSHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY RECOMMENDING THAT THE WATERSHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY (WCA) ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY LOCATED NORTH OF IMPERIAL AND EAST OF THE 710 FREEWAY

WHEREAS, the WCA has been established to provide for a comprehensive program to expand and improve the open space and recreational opportunities for the conservation, restoration and environmental enhancement of the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed area consistent with the goals of flood protection, water supply, groundwater recharge and water conservation; and

WHEREAS, this action will accept a recommendation that the Watershed Conservation Authority enter into negotiations to acquire real property located north of Imperial Highway and East of the 710 freeway related to the South Gate Riparian project, Assessor Parcel Nos. 6233-032-007 and 008, 6233-037-003 and 007

WHEREAS, this action is exempt from the environmental impact report requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

*Therefore be it resolved* that the WCA hereby:

1. FINDS that this action is consistent with the purposes and objectives of the WCA.
2. FINDS that the actions contemplated by this resolution are exempt from the environmental impact report requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act.
3. ADOPTS the staff recommendation dated May 1, 2008.
4. AUTHORIZES designated staff to enter into negotiations to acquire four parcels located north of Imperial and East of the 710 freeway for the South Gate Riparian Restoration project.

*~ End of Resolution ~*

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Passed and Adopted by the Board of the  
WATERSHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY on May 1, 2008.

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Erica Jacques-Santos, Chair

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Terry Fujimoto  
Deputy Attorney General

**DATE: May 1, 2008**

**TO: WCA Governing Board**

**FROM: Belinda V. Faustinos, Executive Officer**

**SUBJECT: Item 7D: Consideration of a resolution to award a contract for Construction Design Documents for the Duck Phase 1A Project.**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** That the WCA Board award a contract to EDAW in the amount of \$715,000 for Construction Design Documents for the Duck Farm Phase 1A Project.

**BACKGROUND:** The Duck Farm project is highly significant to the mission of the WCA, not only because it is located in a chronically park poor area of the San Gabriel Valley, but also because its completion will transform this reach of the San Gabriel River and help realize the goals of the San Gabriel River Corridor Master Plan and bring us a step closer to the completion of the Emerald Necklace vision for a connected network of river based parks.

The Overall Concept Plan for the Duck Farm provides a layout for improvements that will be implemented in two phases. Phase 1A of the Duck Farm project is the first phase of a multi-phase project on 57 acres on the east bank of the San Gabriel River that will realize the multi-benefit goals of a wide array of stakeholders. The goals of Phase 1A Duck Farm project are to provide much needed passive recreation in a natural setting for the surrounding community of the area and an improved gateway to the San Gabriel River Parkway and Emerald Necklace. Under Phase 1A, access to the San Gabriel River through the Duck Farm, up to now prohibitive, will be greatly improved by means of an improved entrance, parking and landscaped trails leading to an enhanced river overlook.

Over the last several months the Watershed Conservation Authority has sent out several Requests for Proposals for the Design and permitting of the utilities at the Duck Farm, and the Feasibility of the house to be refurbished for public use with very little response. Staff reviewed and analyzed the scope of work for these as well as the final design and construction drawings for Phase 1A and concluded that the research, professional skills and work entailed in these three actions overlapped so that the most efficient way to accomplish the work was to combine them. Staff released a Request for Proposals in February for Construction and Design Documents for the Duck Farm Project that was inclusive of all of the tasks (see attached RFP). There were four respondents who were then interviewed by a panel consisting of RMC staff as well as Department of Public Works, Watershed Division staff. The recommendation of the panel was to negotiate a contract with EDAW due to their clear understanding of the complexity of the project, efficiencies in staff time, depth of the skills in place at EDAW and the sub-consultants on the team they proposed as well as their fee proposal.

The contract will result in tasks and deliverables in the following categories: Feasibility Study of the farm house/ and Survey; Utilities Design; Schematic Design; Design Development; Construction Documents; Bidding Assistance; Permitting Assistance;

some stakeholder involvement/outreach. The Phase 1A project components are as follows:

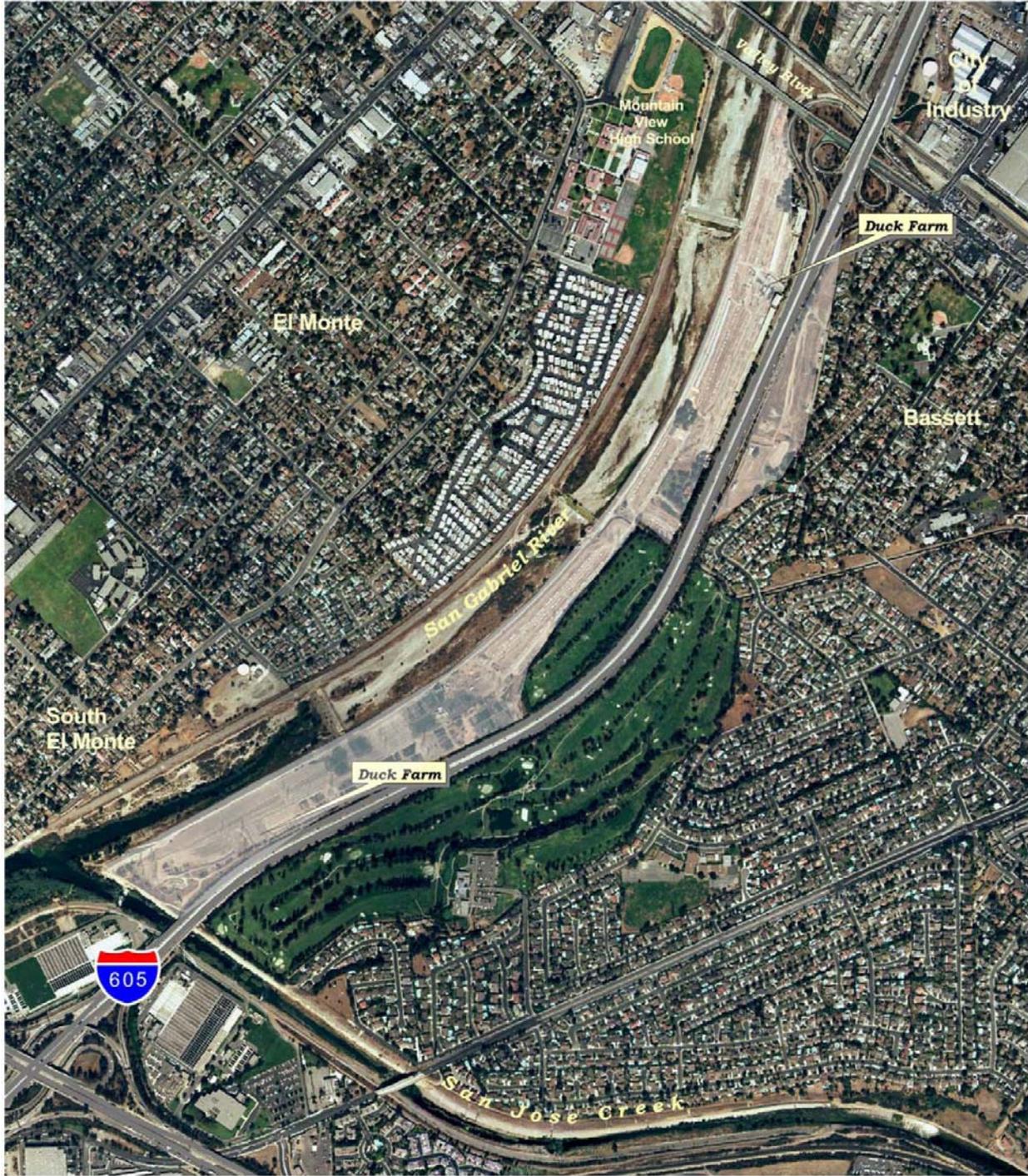
The new entrance at Proctor Street would include a public entrance gate, landscaping, and park signage. Improvements will consist of widening the existing access to facilitate a two lane access road. The existing I-605 Freeway underpass connecting the east and west sides of the property will be improved to provide safe pedestrian trail access between the East Parcel and the North Parcel of the Duck Farm site. This would include resurfacing, drainage improvements, and lighting. No structural changes or widening of the underpass would occur. A temporary dirt “trail head” parking lot would be developed on the East Parcel. The lot would provide approximately 20 parking spaces. A 150-space lot would be developed at this location in a future park phase.

- A Pocket Park will be located on the east side of the property adjacent to the parking. This will serve the passive recreation needs of the local community.
- Trails will connect the improved entrance at Proctor Street through the underpass, along the Riparian Corridor to the wildflower meadow to the river overlook.
- 14-16 acres of riparian vegetation will provide a landscape backdrop for the trail and lay a foundation for a riparian corridor that will be part of a future phase.
- A 3.5 acre Wildflower Meadow will provide areas for passive recreation, picnicking and fitness stations.
- A River Overlook area will provide a viewing station at the river’s edge with interpretive exhibits of the role of the San Gabriel River in the watershed.

CEQA documentation for Phase 1A, a mitigated negative declaration, has been completed and adopted by the Watershed Conservation Authority.

In March of 2007 the RMC approved a grant in the amount of \$1,987,389 for implementation of Phase 1A of the Duck Farm project. Award of the contract for Construction Design Documents for the Duck Farm Project is the beginning of the implementation of this grant for Phase 1A.

This action would award of consultant services contract for Construction Design Documents for the Duck Farm Project not to exceed \$715,000. The Fee Proposal is for \$678,745 (see attached Fee Proposal), however the negotiations on the contract are not complete at this time and this figure allows for a potential 5% increase. The funds will be from the grant awarded to the WCA for implementation of Phase 1A of the Duck Farm. Approximately \$1,272,000 will remain in the grant for the improvements.



**Duckfarm  
and  
Surrounding  
Area**



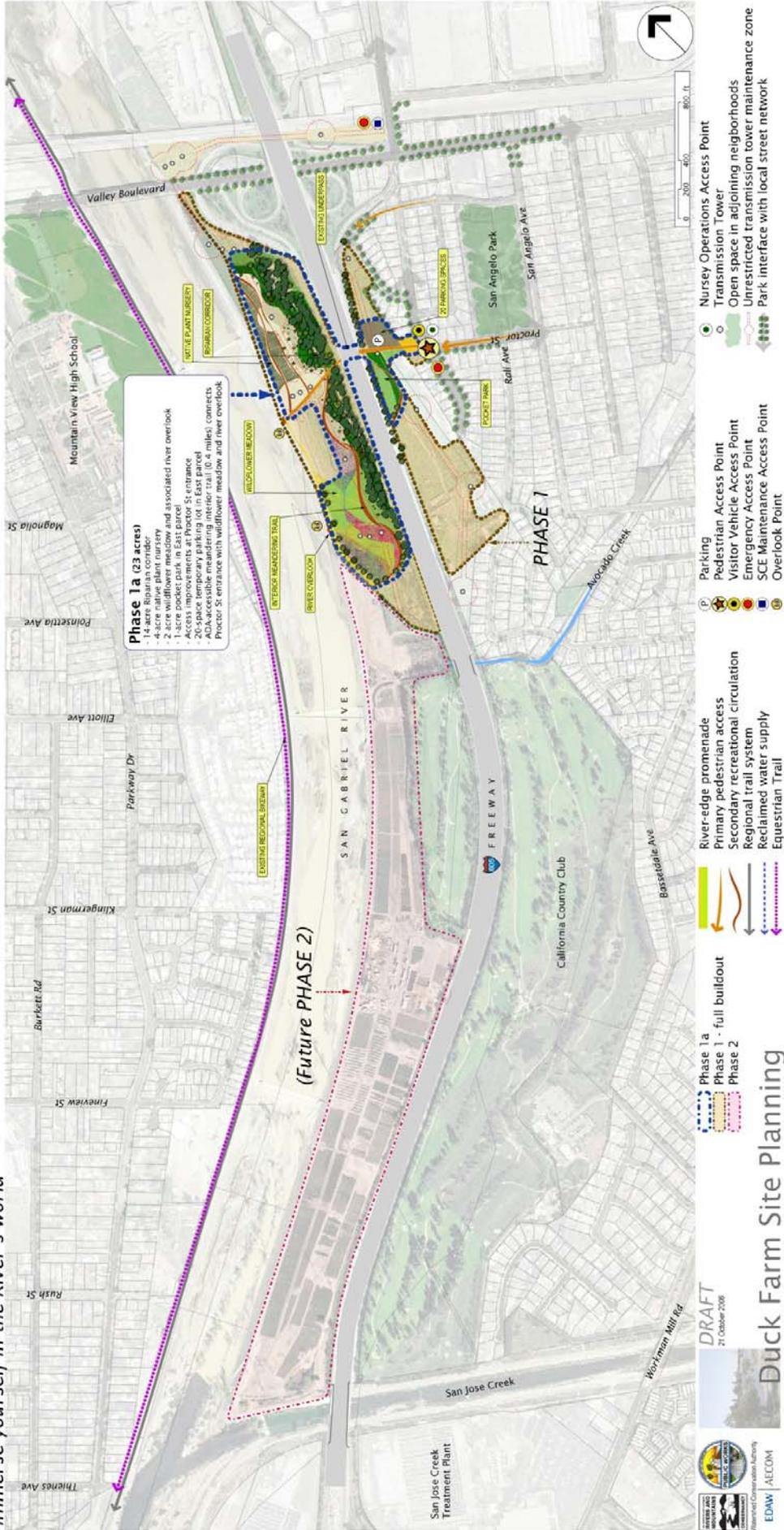
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**Rivers &  
Mountains  
Conservancy**

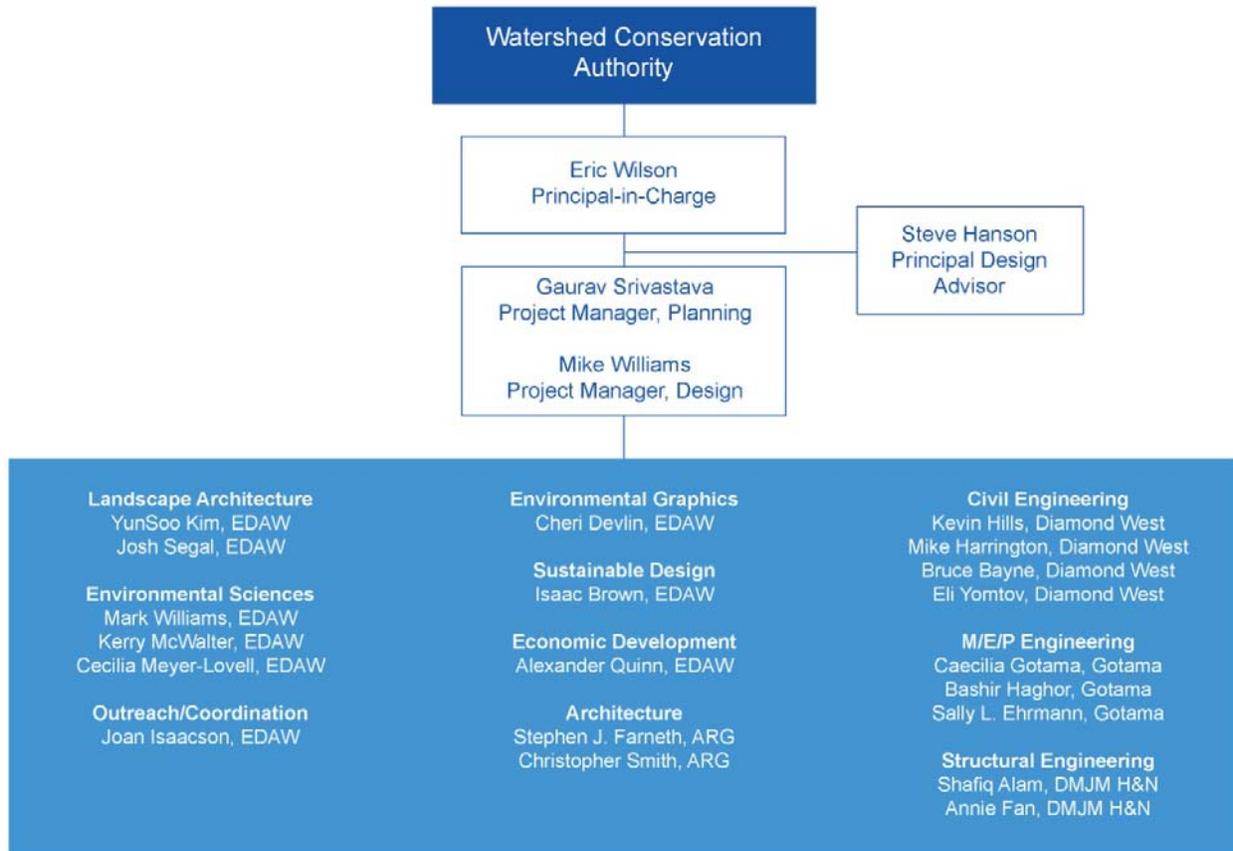
Rivers & Mountains Conservancy  
900 So. Fremont St., Annex Bldg.  
Alhambra, California 91802  
(626) 458-4315 ; Fax 458-7353  
www.rmc.ca.gov  
Belinda V. Faustinos, Executive Officer



Sources: State of California -- The Resources Agency -- California Department of Fish and Game -- United States Geological Survey -- Thomas Bros. Maps

**Preferred Alternative - Phase 1A Concept Plan**  
*immerse yourself in the River's world*





EDAW INC. DESIGN, PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTS WORLDWIDE

**Fee Proposal**

| Task                    | Description                          | Labor Fee        | Reimbursable Expenses | Total            |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1.0                     | Survey/ Feasibility Study            | \$119,179        | \$9,534               | \$128,713        |
| 2.0                     | Utilities                            | \$104,070        | \$8,326               | \$112,396        |
| 3.0                     | Schematic Design                     | \$68,949         | \$5,516               | \$74,465         |
| 4.0                     | Design Development                   | \$119,594        | \$9,568               | \$129,162        |
| 5.0                     | Construction Documents               | \$176,864        | \$14,149              | \$191,013        |
| 6.0                     | Schedule for Permitting Requirements | \$21,760         | \$1,741               | \$23,501         |
| 7.0                     | Bidding Assistance                   | \$18,052         | \$1,444               | \$19,496         |
| <b>EDAW + Sub Total</b> |                                      | <b>\$628,468</b> | <b>\$50,277</b>       | <b>\$678,745</b> |

**Watershed Conservation Authority**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

To Prepare

**CONSTRUCTION DESIGN DOCUMENTS**

For

**The Duck Farm  
Phase IA  
County of Los Angeles, CA**

**Proposals due:**

**Thursday, March 6, 2008, Time 12:00 p.m.**

**Issue date:**

**Tuesday, February 5, 2008**

Project Manager: Ron Gay  
Phone: 626 720-3625 Ext. 113  
Fax: 626 815-1269  
Email: [rgay@rmc.ca.gov](mailto:rgay@rmc.ca.gov)

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## I. INTRODUCTION

### ***A. Invitation to Submit Proposals***

The Watershed Conservation Authority (WCA) invites proposals from qualified Consultants to complete an Architectural Feasibility Study and Construction Design Documents for the implementation of Phase 1A of the Duck Farm, located in Unincorporated Los Angeles County.

The WCA is a joint powers authority of San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains (RMC) and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District whose mission is to provide for a comprehensive program to expand and improve the open space and recreational opportunities for the conservation, restoration, and environmental enhancement of the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers Watershed area consistent with the goals of flood protection, water supply, groundwater recharge and water conservation. The objective of this solicitation is to select a firm that is best qualified to provide the requested services.

### ***B. RFP Schedule***

- 1) Issue RFP
- 2) Pre-Proposal Information Session and Site Visit: February 13, 2008 10am.
- 3) Submit Written Questions by: February 21, 2008
- 4) Addenda to RFP Posted by: February 28, 2008
- 5) RFP Responses Due: March 6, 2008
- 6) Shortlist Interviews Conducted: March 26-29, 2008
- 7) Consultants Selected: March 29, 2008

## II. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Watershed Conservation Authority (WCA), owner of the project site, has developed an overall site plan for the Duck Farm. The Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) has been approved for implementation of Phase 1 of the plan. The project site operated for many decades as a Duck Farm until the year 2001 when it was acquired for open space. The Duck Farm is comprised of 12 acres located on the east site of the 605 freeway and 45 acres on the west side along the banks of the San Gabriel River (the east and west sides are connected by a vehicle underpass below the 605 Freeway.) For a full description please see Section 2: Project Description in the MND found at [www.wca.ca.gov](http://www.wca.ca.gov) click on the **Duck Farm Concept Plan** where you will find the full MND, its appendices as well as the description and graphics of the Concept Plan for the Duck Farm.

The full project development of the Duck Farm will occur in Phases, currently Phase 1 (with a Phase 1A and Phase 1B) and Phase 2. The MND defines Phase 1 which will include access improvements, interior trails leading to an improved river promenade on the San Gabriel River, a visitor center, a community park, a dog park, a riparian landscape and wildflower meadow, a fresh water marsh, a native plant nursery and an equestrian center. Phase 1 is the beginning of a multi-phase project on 57 acres on the east bank of the San Gabriel River that will realize the multi-benefit

goals of a wide array of stakeholders. The goals of the Phase 1 of the Duck Farm project are to provide much needed passive recreation in a natural setting for the surrounding communities of the area, and an improved gateway to the San Gabriel River Parkway and Emerald Necklace network along the San Gabriel and Rio Hondo Rivers.

Phase 1 will be implemented in two distinct Phases, Phase 1A and Phase 1B. Phase 1A is comprised of 23 acres of the former Duck Farm. Under Phase 1A, access to the San Gabriel River through the Duck Farm will be improved by means of an improved entrance at Proctor Street, parking and landscaped trails leading to an enhanced river overlook. Consistent with the San Gabriel River Corridor Master Plan (SGRMP), the river corridor will become a major local and regional recreational destination for many of the park poor neighborhoods along the river. The Duck Farm is identified in the SGRMP as a key project that will not only provide access to the San Gabriel River but will also include significant passive recreation by means of trails, picnic areas and overlooks along this soft-bottom reach of the San Gabriel River.

The Duck Farm is also a project that is included in the Emerald Necklace, an open space plan for the San Gabriel Valley that seeks to connect communities from Los Angeles County and ten cities and nearly 500,000 residents to the San Gabriel River and the Rio Hondo by means of river based parks and trails. The Duck Farm will be a major destination on the Emerald Necklace park network. Future planning will seek to connect the Duck Farm to the San Gabriel River Bike Trail that extends from the San Gabriel Mountains to the Pacific Ocean at Seal Beach. Trail bridges would also connect the Duck Farm to area schools on the west side of the river and to the Whittier Narrows Nature Center 5 miles to the south. Phase 1A will include public access by means of a trail connecting the east and west parcels of the project site leading to a river promenade to the San Gabriel River, 14 acres of riparian landscape, a community garden, native plant nursery, a wildflower meadow, and a river promenade. The native plant nursery will be operated as a business venture by a qualified business or non-profit organization.

Summary of park program elements to be addressed:

1. The new entrance at Proctor Street will include a public entrance gate, landscaping, and park signage. Improvements will consist of widening the existing access to facilitate a two lane access road. The existing I-605 Freeway underpass connecting the east and west sides of the property will be improved to provide safe pedestrian trail access between the East Parcel and the North Parcel of the Duck Farm site. This would include resurfacing, drainage improvements, and lighting. No structural changes or widening of the underpass would occur. A temporary dirt “trail head” parking lot would be developed on the East Parcel. The lot would provide approximately 20 parking spaces. A 150-space lot would be developed at this location in a future park phase.
2. A Pocket Park will be located on the east side of the property adjacent to the parking. This will serve the passive recreation needs of the local community.
3. Trails will connect the improved entrance at Proctor Street through the under pass, along the Riparian Corridor to the wildflower meadow to the river overlook.
4. 14 to 16 acres of riparian vegetation will provide a landscape backdrop for the trail and lay a foundation for a riparian corridor that will be part of a future phase.

5. A 3.5-acre Wildflower Meadow will provide areas for passive recreation, picnicking, and fitness stations.
6. A River Overlook area will provide a viewing station at the river's edge with interpretive exhibits of the role of the San Gabriel River in the watershed.
7. Refurbishment of two story house into a Visitor Center.

## **Issues to Be Considered**

Due to number and extent of the easements on the project site, the Consultant will need to work closely with relevant stakeholders to ensure compliance with all aspects of the easement constraints.

The Consultant will need to collaborate with existing tenants and residents at and adjacent to the property and to take into consideration such issues as access, safety of users, noise, and other environmental issues.

The MND for the Duck Farm further identifies mitigation issues that will need to be addressed during design and construction.

All work will require close cooperation with WCA and other Key Stakeholders, including, but not limited to, the following:

1. Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning
2. Southern California Edison
3. City of Industry
4. Caltrans
5. City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
6. County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
7. Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District
8. Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

## **Meetings**

WCA anticipates an average of two (2) meetings per month up to a maximum of fifteen with the team, which may include presentations and work sessions. Agenda and meeting minutes will be the responsibility of Lead consultant.

## **III. Scope of Services: Overview**

To fulfill its responsibilities in developing a Phase IA design and construction documents for the Duck Farm, WCA seeks the services of a Consultant to provide expert professional consultant services including construction design documentation, landscape architecture, engineering, architecture, environmental graphics and environmental review/permitting.

The principle elements of Phase IA are described in full in the MND and include the design of an access and circulation system, a community park, parking lot, overlook, river edge trail, new

landscapes with an emphasis on native plants, wetland and riparian plants, landscape improvements for creating continuous access along the water's edge of the Duck Farm.

The Consultant will be required to demonstrate an understanding of and commitment to the approved Conceptual Plan “The River Commons at the Duck Farm”, Rivers and Mountains Conservancy and Watershed Conservation Authority development/design principles, goals for design excellence, and the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Project adopted by the Watershed Conservation Authority. The Phase IA design should incorporate a cost-effective design approach balancing innovative design with sustainability, environmental protection, ongoing maintenance, durability, safety, and accessibility. In addition, the Consultant will be required to design, engineer and create construction drawings for the WCA for a water supply and utility system for the project and other site-related planning or feasibility studies that may be ongoing. Based on the existing Concept plan and Preliminary Construction Cost Estimate, the Consultant will prepare typical construction documents, detailed cost schedule that would form the basis for request for bids and assist with bidding for the project.

The professional services will be conducted in six stages:

1. Architectural Feasibility Study of the Visitor Center
2. Design of Utilities
3. Schematic Design
4. Construction Documents
5. Create a schedule for all Permits required for Phase 1A
6. Bid Assistance

Documents to be submitted for WCA review at end of Schematic Design, 35%, 100%; Construction Documents 30%, 60%, 90% 95%, and a Final Bid Document

## **IV. SCOPE OF SERVICES: Specifics**

Tasks to be performed by the Consultant will include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

### **1. Feasibility Study**

- 1.1) Review Existing Documents of the Mitigated Negative Declaration in reference to the Duck Farm House Visitor Center.
- 1.2) Review Existing Documents of the Conceptual Plan “River Commons at the Duck Farm” in reference to the Duck Farm House Visitor Center.
- 1.3) Construction Design shall meet or exceed all Local and State Standards and Codes.
- 1.4) Construction Design to include all Utilities necessary for the implementation of the Duck Farm Visitor center to include: Sufficient Emergency water flow supply, Potable water, Electricity, Telecommunications, Sewer system.
- 1.5) Determinations and recommendations of the Feasibility of moving forward on Duck Farm House Visitor Center after reviewing all factors involved in this project.

## **2. Utilities**

- 2.1) Construction Design Consultant shall assume the role of Lead Consultant responsible for all coordinating with other Utilities Work Place Consultants on the Duck Farm Project.
- 2.2) Review of existing documents, easements, responsible agencies/entities and current utilities.
- 2.3) Prepare Construction Design Documents for potable as well as reclaimed water for the Duck Farm Project.
- 2.4) Prepare Construction Design Documents for all electrical needs for the Duck Farm Project.
- 2.5) Prepare Construction Design Documents for all Architectural Design for the Duck Farm Project.
- 2.6) Prepare Construction Design Documents for all Telecommunication services for the Duck Farm Project.
- 2.7) Prepare Construction Design Documents for all water needs on the Duck Farm Project, including potable, reclaimed water for irrigations as well as fire code specifications.
- 2.8) Prepare Construction Design Documents for Natural Gas needs for the Duck Farm Project.
- 2.9) Prepare Construction Design Documents for sanitation requirements for the Duck Farm Project.

## **3. Schematic Design**

Tasks to be performed by the Consultant may include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

- 3.1) Review of Existing Documents
  - 3.1.1) Review existing documents done during conceptual plan development; including, but not limited to, the history of the site, the site analysis, and flood information.
  - 3.1.2) Review of Overall Site Conceptual Plan and Final Report.
  - 3.1.3) Review and understand the issues surrounding the site.
  - 3.1.4) Review of the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Overall Site Concept Plan and all related source documentation.
  - 3.1.5) Review of the San Gabriel River Corridor Master Plan
  - 3.1.6) Review of Grant Guidelines for all project funding sources identified by both the Consultant and WCA staff.
  - 3.1.7) Review of all documentation related to easements, leases and licenses on the project site.
- 3.2) Prepare draft Schematic Design Alternatives.
- 3.3) Preliminary Construction Plans—Prepare refined design plans, profiles, and specifications for review by WCA, key stakeholders, and relevant planning authorities. Design Development documents shall include refined site design, technical specifications, and design development level construction drawings and details. The prime consultant will be responsible for all necessary title pages and sheet indexes.
- 3.4) Participate in two (2) meetings to review concepts with the key stakeholders and WCA staff.
- 3.5) Prepare a Final Schematic Design Alternative based on comments and corrections received and on approved program elements. The reconciled plan will serve as the basis for further Phase I schematic design, design development and construction documents.

- 3.6)** WCA will require the expertise of the Consultant to perform Environmental Review analysis to ensure consistency with the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Duck Farm Project. The Consultant shall demonstrate that the final design is consistent with MND.
- 3.6.1)** The proposed park aims to embrace the River and its environment and also serve as the common ground for communities of both sides of the bank. It will provide meaningful connections to the River, attracting visitors seeking reflection and relaxation, while also providing habitat for animals in a restored natural setting.

#### **4. Construction Documents [or Bid Documents]**

Upon approval by the WCA of the Schematic Design Documents, the Consultant shall prepare for the WCA approval, Construction Documents consisting of the Working Drawings and Specifications necessary for construction of the Project.

Tasks to be performed by the Consultant may include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

- 4.1)** Prepare final design plans, profiles, and specifications to the 95% (with review of 30%, 60% and 90%) completion level for final review by WCA staff, and regulatory, planning and building and safety agencies, as required. Contract documents shall include technical specifications, and construction drawings and details. The prime consultant will be responsible for all necessary title pages and sheet indexes.
- 4.2)** Specifications will be provided in standard CSI format. Front-end boilerplate provided by WCA (provided in electronic files) including:
- 4.1)** Contract forms
- 4.2)** Instructions to bidders
- 4.3)** Bid bond form
- 4.4)** Payment/performance bond forms
- 4.5)** Standard drafting frame and title block for all construction documents
- 4.6)** Following review and approval by agencies, and WCA staff make any final changes and prepare the Final Construction Documents and bid documents that incorporate any and all necessary changes. Bid documents will include drawings and specifications completed by consultants under contract with the WCA (architecture, landscape architecture and engineering).
- 4.7)** Submit [one] bound hard copy each of the Phase of Construction Documents and specifications. The final design drawings shall be prepared at an appropriate scale to illustrate the final preferred design and arrangement of program elements on the site. Provide also one set of half-sized construction drawings.
- 4.7.1)** Electronic copies provided to the WCA shall be produced as follows:
- 4.7.2)** Construction specifications shall be in Microsoft Word, formatted for standard 8.5x11-inch paper and PDF files.
- 4.7.3)** Construction drawings shall be in AutoCAD 2005 or 2007; contain standard WCA title block, vicinity map, abbreviation sheet, symbols legend and shall be formatted to comply with the County CAD Standards, if required.

4.8) Prepare final estimates of probable construction costs based upon the approved construction plans, specifications, and details in accordance with the program elements approved by WCA.

## **5. Schedule of Permitting Requirements**

Based on the final construction plans, the Consultant shall develop a complete schedule of all permits, reviews, and approvals required to implement the project. The Permit Schedule shall include a timeline detailing permitting and/or reviewing agencies, type of permits, time intervals, and cost for each permit or review. The Permit Schedule shall be provided in a spreadsheet format indicating a timeline with key milestones noted clearly. A draft of the Permit Schedule shall be submitted to the WCA for comments and approval prior to completion. Agencies and entities that shall be listed on Permit Schedule shall include but shall not be limited to the following:

1. County Planning and Review Boards
2. Caltrans
3. Southern California Edison
4. Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
5. Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning
6. Los Angeles County Fire Department

Additional documentation shall be included as necessary to guide the WCA through planning application such as Conditional Use Permits etc.

## **6. Bidding Assistance**

Following the WCA approval of the Construction Documents, the Consultant shall assist the WCA in obtaining bids or negotiated proposals, evaluating the bids and bidders, and in awarding a contract or contracts for the construction of the Project. WCA will be responsible for providing documents to bidders.

Tasks to be performed by the Consultant may include the following:

- 6.1) Assist the WCA in pre-qualifying contractors. A list of approved contractors for the disciplines utilized will be submitted to the Client prior to issuing Bid Documents.
- 6.2) Assist WCA Project Manager in conducting pre-bid conference and site visit.
- 6.3) Respond to all pertinent bidder inquiries during the bid period.
- 6.4) Prepare addenda to the Construction Documents as clarifications are necessary.
- 6.5) Review substitutions and alternatives as requested by the bidders and make recommendations to same.
- 6.6) Attend up to three (3) meetings to review bids and understanding of the project scope.

## V. PRE-PROPOSAL INFORMATION

A pre-proposal information session and site visit will occur on February 13, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. at 285 San Fidel Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 91746

## VI. SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

Each bid must be submitted to the offices of the WCA at 100 N. Old San Gabriel Canyon Road, Azusa CA 91702, on or before 12:00 p.m. (Noon) on Thursday, March 6, 2008. Evaluation of these proposals will soon after occur. Interviews of the top ranking proposals will occur between March 26<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> 2008. The chosen consultant team will be notified after March 29<sup>th</sup>, then submitted to the WCA Board for award of a contract or rejection of all bids at their total discretion.

### 1. *Summary of Firm Capability Requirements*

The primary Consultant may act as the prime consultant but should include the following disciplines in the design team:

- Landscape architecture
- Urban design and architecture
- Structural engineering
- Mechanical/Electrical/Plumbing engineering
- Civil engineering
- Historic preservation/conservation
- Economic Development/Analysis
- Sustainability
- Code Compliance/Permitting
- Testing/Surveys
- Other specialty (as required)

### 2. *Proposal Content*

2.1) Proposals should provide a straightforward, complete, and concise description of the firm's capabilities to satisfy the requirements of the RFP. Proposals must include, but are not limited to:

- a) Executive Summary, Experience, and Key Personnel
- b) Cover Letter summarizing key points of your proposal
- c) A history of the firm's experience providing Landscape Architectural and Environmental services on successful large-scale urban park projects as well as on projects for economic development organizations, other governmental entities, private developers, and not-for-profits.
- d) Examples of up to five (5) major projects that the firm has completed in the area of public recreation and sustainable landscape design of similar projects. Include the client, the name of a contact person who is able to provide a reference, a description of the nature of the

work, the size and complexity of the project, construction cost, and the amount and the agreed fee arrangements.

- e) Contact information including the name, address, phone and fax numbers, and email addresses of the lead firm, sub-consultant, as well as the names, roles and contact information for the personnel who would be assigned to the engagement.
- f) Staffing proposal, including the name of the lead firm(s), a description of proposed Consultant structure, organization chart with names and titles of all Consultant members, professional licensing information, LEED certification, and resumes. Please also include a description of how each sub-consultant will work in connection with the Lead Consultant to fulfill the Scope of Services, distinguishing the roles, responsibilities, and commitment of each Consultant member.

## 2.2) Statement of Methodology

- a) A written narrative description of your firm's understanding of, methodology and approach to and any comment on the Scope of Services described herein. Respondents should elaborate, as appropriate, on the tasks listed in the Scope of Work.
- b) A description of how the firm would work with, and support the work of, WCA and any other design professional or other consultants in the realization of the Project.
- c) A proposal schedule for completing the scope of work, itemized by task. Include a linear timetable, with significant milestones, which outlines the sequencing, overlapping, and interdependence of the individual tasks. Assume two weeks for WCA review and response to Project submittals and identify a timetable for review by key stakeholders identified in Phase 6, Section D above.

## 2.3) Fee

- a) Hourly rates for calendar years 2008, 2009, and escalator factor for 2009 inclusive of multipliers, for each role/title cited in the proposal.
- b) List of anticipated reimbursable expenses subtotaled for each phase.
- c) Total estimated fee for completion of the Services
- d) Description of any additional services not included in proposed fee.

# VII. SELECTION PROCESS

## 1. *Criteria*

Proposals submitted pursuant to this request will be evaluated on a number of criteria. WCA places high value on the following factors, not necessarily in order of importance:

### 1.1) Methodology

- a) Approach described in the RFP response demonstrates comprehension of the Conceptual Plan and the imagination to advance it, understanding of the site and conditions, the anticipated Scope of Services and the ability to consistently provide such Services to WCA at a high performance level.
- b) Quality and thoroughness of the written proposal.

### 1.2) Relevant Experience

- a) Experience with successful, imaginative landscapes, restoration of riparian environments, adaptive reuse, and place making particularly in urban centers.

- b) Experience with similar initiatives and public agencies
- c) Demonstrated commitment to design excellence and innovation.
- d) Quality of work product as demonstrated through submitted work samples of past landscape architecture, urban design, restoration, and/or park projects.
- e) Number, complexity, and nature of river parkway projects, handled by the firm(s).
- f) Experience in incorporating community needs, CEQA, and principles of environmental design and sustainable development into program and park development.

**1.3) Staff**

- a) Proposed staff experience and record of achievement.
- b) Availability of Consultant staff to take on the scope of services, particularly the consistent availability of senior principals. The Consultant is to plan and allot the time necessary to complete all Services in a timely and efficient manner.
- c) Previous successful collaborations between Consultant members and firms (if applicable).

**1.4) Presentation and Collaboration Skills**

- a) Effective presentation and communication skills and the resources necessary to provide high-quality graphics and presentation materials.

**1.5) Compliance**

Conforming to or exceeding applicable WCA policies as noted therein.

**1.6) Fee: Proposal fee structure and hourly rates.**

## **2. Evaluation of Proposals**

2.1) Proposals received by 12:00 pm, March 6, 2008 will be evaluated by the Evaluation Team who will also interview the top scoring proposals from March 26-29, 2008. Selection will be made March 29, 2008.

## **VIII. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

The Consultant to whom the award is made will enter into a written contract with the WCA. In case of default by the Consultant, the WCA reserves the right to procure the services from other sources and to hold the Consultant responsible for any excess costs incurred by the WCA thereby. A copy of a sample WCA contract is attached.

1. The contract shall be effective from the date contract is approved by the WCA through May 1, 2009.
2. Consultant shall employ a sufficient number of staff and equipment to assure completion of the scope of work.
3. Consultant shall, within ten (10) calendar days notice from the WCA, be prepared to diligently prosecute to completion, all work required in accordance with these specifications.
4. Payment shall be made after an approved invoice is submitted. Consultant shall submit an invoice for all work itemizing each task consistent with the budget for the contract.
5. Payment shall not be made until the WCA or its representative, have inspected each phase of work and determined that the project has been satisfactorily completed.

The following items shall be returned as part of the Contract packet by the successful Consultant prior to issuance of a contract by the WCA.

1. INSURANCE: Contractor agrees to the Indemnification and Insurance Provisions (see Attached Insurance Exhibit B)
2. Proof of all required Permits and Licenses.
3. Signed Contract Agreement or comments on Contract Agreement

This RFP is a solicitation for proposals only, and is neither intended, nor to be construed as, an offer to enter into an agreement or engage in any formal competitive bidding or negotiation pursuant to any statute, ordinance, rule, or regulation. Thus, the WCA reserves the unqualified right to reject any or all proposals for any reason. WCA is responsible only for that which is expressly stated in this RFP.

WCA is not responsible for, and shall not be bound by, any representations otherwise made by any individual acting or purporting to act on its behalf.

WCA shall not in any way be liable or responsible for any costs incurred in connection with the preparation, submittal, or presentation of any RFP submitted in response to this request. Responses to this RFP shall be made according to the specifications and instructions contained herein. Failure to adhere to RFP instructions may be cause for rejection of any proposal.

WCA reserves the right to interpret or change any provisions of this RFP at any time prior to the proposal submittal date. Such interpretations or changes shall be in the form of addenda to this RFP. Such addenda will become part of this RFP and may become part of the resultant contract. Such addenda shall be made available to each person or organization which has received an RFP. Should such addenda require additional information not previously requested, a Proposer's failure to address the requirements of such addenda may result in the WCA's disregard of the Proposer.

WCA, at its sole discretion, may determine that a time extension is required for submittal of proposals, in which case an addendum shall indicate the new proposal submittal date.

No changes to the proposals shall be allowed after submittal to WCA.

Any agreement entered into by the Proposer shall be consistent with applicable federal, state, and local laws.

Proposers understand and agree that submittal of a proposal will constitute acknowledgment and acceptance of, and a willingness to comply with, all of the terms, conditions, and criteria contained in this RFP, including attachments thereto, except as otherwise specified in the proposal. Any and all parts of the submitted proposal may become part of any resultant contract between the selected Consultant and the WCA.

WCA will select a successful Proposer based on qualifications that represent the best service, regardless of race, creed, color, or gender. The successful Proposer is also referred to as the Consultant in this document.

The Consultant shall take all formal direction from the WCA Project Manager assigned the responsibility for the project. All activities related to administration of the Consultant's agreement will be managed by the WCA Project Manager.

The project shall be overseen by the Project Management Team made up of appointed WCA representatives and the Consultant team.

All services provided by the Consultant, and all materials, documents, reports, and other information of all types, including computer models developed by the Consultant for the project, and all works based thereon, incorporated therein, or derived there from, shall be the sole and exclusive property of the WCA.

May 1, 2008 - Item 7D

RESOLUTION NO. 2008 - 9

RESOLUTION OF THE WATERSHED CONSERVATION  
AUTHORITY TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION  
DESIGN DOCUMENTS FOR THE DUCK FARM PHASE 1A  
PROJECT

WHEREAS, The Watershed Conservation Authority has been established as a joint powers agency between the RMC and the District to implement projects which will provide open space, habitat restoration, and watershed improvement projects in both the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed; and

WHEREAS, the Watershed Conservation Authority (WCA) has further been established to focus on projects which will provide open space, habitat restoration, and watershed improvement projects in both the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed; and

WHEREAS, this action will award contract(s) for Construction Design Documents for the Duck Farm Phase 1A Project; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act; NOW

*Therefore be it resolved that the WCA hereby:*

1. FINDS that the actions contemplated by this resolution are exempt from the environmental impact report requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
2. ADOPTS the staff report dated May 1, 2008.
3. AUTHORIZES the award of the contract to EDAW, Inc in the amount of \$715,000 for Construction Design Documents for the Duck Farm Phase 1A Project.

*~ End of Resolution ~*

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Passed and Adopted by the Board of the  
WATERESHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY  
ON May 1, 2008.

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Erica Jacquez-Santos, Chairperson

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Terry Fujimoto  
Deputy Attorney General

**DATE: May 1, 2008**

**TO: WCA Governing Board**

**FROM: Belinda V. Faustinos, Executive Officer**

**SUBJECT: Item 7E: Consideration of a resolution to adopt a policy for allocation of lease revenue to administrative and operational expenditures.**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** That the WCA Board adopt a policy for allocation of lease revenue to administrative and operational expenditures.

**BACKGROUND:** To date the Watershed Conservation Authority has purchased three properties. In 2004 the Watershed Conservation Authority acquired the Duck Farm property on the east bank of the San Gabriel River that will realize the multi-benefit goals of a wide array of stakeholders. Secondly, in February of 2006 the Watershed Conservation Authority acquired the El Encanto property for the purposes of expansion of the Azusa River Wilderness Park. Most recently, January of 2007, the Watershed Conservation Authority acquired the Citrus Heights property located near Beverly Blvd on the east side of the San Gabriel River.

The Watershed Conservation Authority's ownership of property is for the purposes of expansion and improvement of the open space and recreational opportunities for the conservation, restoration and environmental enhancement of the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers Watershed area. These plans are consistent with the goals of flood protection, water supply, groundwater recharge and water conservation, the purposes of the WCA.

The funds for administering, maintaining and operating the properties come from the lease revenue on the properties. At this time the Duck Farm generates more revenue than is expended for operations and maintenance. However, the income for the El Encanto property is not sufficient to meet the current expenses (see attached updated Property Management Budget). Although the Citrus Heights parcel does not have operational expenses at this time, it is expected that there will be costs associated with maintaining future improvements, however there is no revenue generated from this site. In order to address this issue it is recommended that the Board authorize the transfer of cash from one project to the other as necessary to cover both operational and administrative expenditures. This policy will be implemented consistent with the provisions of relevant grant agreements.

**WCA Property Management Budget Update as of March 30, 2008**

| <b>Property Management</b>                                  | <b>Budgeted</b>  | <b>Projected from<br/>Current Expenses</b> |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| <b>El Encanto</b>                                           |                  |                                            |
| <b>Expenses</b>                                             |                  |                                            |
| Insurance                                                   | \$11,000         | \$7,530                                    |
| Ranger Services Contract                                    | \$36,500         | \$44,451                                   |
| Structure Maintenance                                       | \$6,400          | \$10,000                                   |
| Professional Water Well Service                             | \$7,000          | \$9,300                                    |
| Trash Service                                               | \$1,000          | \$5,435                                    |
| Utilities (Electrical, propane, payphone)                   | \$1,500          | \$7,600                                    |
| Contingency                                                 | \$27,915         |                                            |
| <b>El Encanto Expenses Sub Total</b>                        | <b>\$91,315</b>  | <b>\$84,316</b>                            |
| <b>Revenue</b>                                              |                  |                                            |
| 07/08 Estimated Lease Revenue – El Encanto                  | \$51,600         | \$46,325                                   |
| El Encanto Leases – 06/07 Balance                           | \$19,715         | \$19,715                                   |
| Special Use Permits                                         | \$5,000          | \$0                                        |
| Citation Revenue                                            | \$15,000         | \$12,000                                   |
| Reimbursement from RMC                                      |                  | \$5,080                                    |
| <b>El Encanto Income Total</b>                              | <b>\$91,315</b>  | <b>\$83,120</b>                            |
| <hr/>                                                       |                  |                                            |
| <b>Duck Farm</b>                                            |                  |                                            |
| <b>Expenses</b>                                             |                  |                                            |
| Liability & Structure Insurance                             | \$4,500          | \$6,835                                    |
| Ranger Services Contract                                    | \$106,500        | \$101,700                                  |
| Weed abatement and Tree maintenance                         | \$30,000         | \$30,000                                   |
| Structure maintenance                                       | \$25,000         | \$30,000                                   |
| Utilities                                                   | \$20,000         | \$1,750                                    |
| Property Management Administrative Support                  | \$17,000         |                                            |
| Contingency                                                 | \$123,470        |                                            |
| <b>Duck Farm Expenses Sub Total</b>                         | <b>\$326,470</b> | <b>\$170,285</b>                           |
| <b>Revenue</b>                                              |                  |                                            |
| 07/08 Estimated Lease Revenue – Duck Farm                   | \$156,600        | \$158,508                                  |
| Duck Farm Leases – 06/07 Balance                            | \$169,870        | \$169,870                                  |
| <b>Duck Farm Income Total</b>                               | <b>\$326,470</b> | <b>\$328,378</b>                           |
| <hr/>                                                       |                  |                                            |
| <b>Misc Expenses charged to Duck Farm Contingency Funds</b> |                  |                                            |
| Mud slide Clean-up                                          | \$2,455          |                                            |
| Highland Products                                           | \$448            |                                            |
| Highland Products                                           | \$2,900          |                                            |
| Badge a Minit                                               | \$580            |                                            |
| Banners                                                     | \$240            |                                            |
| <b>Total</b>                                                | <b>\$6,623</b>   |                                            |

May 1, 2008 - Item 7E

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-10

RESOLUTION OF THE WATERSHED CONSERVATION  
AUTHORITY TO ADOPT A POLICY FOR ALLOCATION OF LEASE  
REVENUE TO ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATIONAL  
EXPENDITURES.

WHEREAS, The Watershed Conservation Authority has been established as a joint powers agency between the RMC and the District to implement projects which will provide open space, habitat restoration, and watershed improvement projects in both the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed; and

WHEREAS, the Watershed Conservation Authority (WCA) has further been established to focus on projects which will provide open space, habitat restoration, and watershed improvement projects in both the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed; and

WHEREAS, this action will adopt a policy for allocation of lease revenue to administrative and operational expenditures; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act; NOW

*Therefore be it resolved that* the WCA hereby:

1. FINDS that the actions contemplated by this resolution are exempt from the environmental impact report requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
2. ADOPTS the staff report dated May 1, 2008.
3. ADOPTS a policy for allocation of lease revenue to administrative and operational expenditures by transferring cash from one project to the other as may be necessary.

*~ End of Resolution ~*

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Passed and Adopted by the Board of the  
WATERESHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY  
ON May 1, 2008.

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Erica Jacquez-Santos, Chairperson

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Terry Fujimoto  
Deputy Attorney General

**DATE: May 1, 2008**

**TO: WCA Governing Board**

**FROM: Belinda V. Faustinos, Executive Officer**

**SUBJECT: Item 7F: Consideration of a resolution to augment the Property and Structure Maintenance Services contract.**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** That the WCA Board augment the Property and Structure Maintenance Services contract to Positive Plumbing in the amount of \$25,000.

**BACKGROUND:** In February of 2006 the purchase of El Encanto was completed with the recording of the deed in the name of the Watershed Conservation Authority, joining the Duck Farm as a property owned by the Watershed Conservation Authority. Both the Duck Farm and El Encanto properties require periodic ongoing maintenance. The Duck Farm property consists of approximately 57 acres of land that includes four rental single family residences and one currently unoccupied two story house. Maintenance for the property entails periodic repairs to the structures as well as weed abatement and tree pruning. The El Encanto property includes the remodeled office building as well as three rental apartments and the mobile home park (in process of being closed). Maintenance to the El Encanto property includes minor repairs to the apartments.

WCA awarded a contract in September of 2007 to Positive Plumbing, General Contracting, in the amount \$31,400. At this time the contractor has completed the assessments and some of the repairs of the structures on the Duck Farm property and on the El Encanto property. There is a seven year backlog of repairs and maintenance to be completed on the two of the four single family residences at the Duck Farm. The attached estimates for the repairs outline the majority of the repairs and maintenance needed.

The total amount to be authorized is \$56,400, thereby encumbering the total amount allocated for these items in the WCA FY07/08 budget. This allocation will leave \$101,465 remaining in the Duck Farm FY17/08 budget for contingency purposes. No contingency will remain in the FY07/08 budget for El Encanto property maintenance.

The augmentation to this contract is to be paid from WCA funds generated from the property income (rents, citations and special use permits) specifically the contingency fund in the Duck Farm budget. The total augmentation is \$25,000; therefore the contingency fund balance will be \$92,070 after this action.

**Estimates for Structures @ Duck Farm**

| <b>Task</b>                                                | <b>Work to be completed</b> | <b>Work completed<br/>07/08</b> |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>Window Replacement</b>                                  | \$4,100                     |                                 |
| Replace 14 windows on San Fidel                            | \$8,697                     |                                 |
| Replace 5 windows on Rall                                  |                             |                                 |
| Repair Wood Damage on window surrounds                     |                             |                                 |
| <b>Picture Window</b>                                      | \$560                       |                                 |
| Remove, rebuild & reinstall Picture Window/Rall            |                             |                                 |
| <b>Oven</b>                                                | \$890                       |                                 |
| Replace Double Oven                                        |                             |                                 |
| <b>Window Screens</b>                                      | \$200                       |                                 |
| Replace window screens                                     |                             |                                 |
| <b>Roof Refurbishment</b>                                  | \$2,285                     |                                 |
| Install new Roof Ridge                                     |                             |                                 |
| Seal all roof renovations                                  |                             |                                 |
| Re-seal flat roof portions                                 |                             |                                 |
| <b>North Driveway Wall</b>                                 | \$2,460                     |                                 |
| Power blast                                                |                             |                                 |
| Re-seal                                                    |                             |                                 |
| Paint to match                                             |                             |                                 |
| <b>HVAC</b> (proposed for FY 08/09: \$5280)                |                             |                                 |
| Install new unit                                           |                             |                                 |
| w/set back thermostat                                      |                             |                                 |
| Insulation of Attic                                        | \$1,000                     |                                 |
| <b>Fireplace Refurbishment</b>                             | \$500                       |                                 |
| <b>Electric Conduit</b>                                    | \$780                       |                                 |
| <b>Bathroom Refurbishment/<br/>Fence Replacement /Rall</b> | \$6,100                     | \$9,722                         |
| <b>Plumbing:</b> Farm House, 2 Houses on San Fidel         |                             | \$7,902                         |
| <b>Removal of exterior stairwell</b>                       |                             | \$2,610                         |
| <b>Sub-Total</b>                                           | <b>\$27,572</b>             | <b>\$20,234</b>                 |
| <b>Contingency:</b>                                        | \$8,594                     |                                 |

**Total Projected Costs: \$56,400****Current Contract Amount: \$31,400****Requested Augmentation: \$25,000**

May 1, 2008 - Item 7F

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-11

RESOLUTION OF THE WATERSHED CONSERVATION  
AUTHORITY TO AUGMENT THE PROPERTY AND STRUCTURE  
MAINTENANCE SERVICES CONTRACT.

WHEREAS, The Watershed Conservation Authority has been established as a joint powers agency between the RMC and the District to implement projects which will provide open space, habitat restoration, and watershed improvement projects in both the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed; and

WHEREAS, the Watershed Conservation Authority (WCA) has further been established to focus on projects which will provide open space, habitat restoration, and watershed improvement projects in both the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed; and

WHEREAS, this action will augment the Property and Structure Maintenance Services contract; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act; NOW

*Therefore be it resolved that the WCA hereby:*

1. FINDS that the actions contemplated by this resolution are exempt from the environmental impact report requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
2. ADOPTS the staff report dated May 1, 2008.
3. AUTHORIZES an augmentation the Property and Structure Maintenance Services contract to Positive Plumbing in the amount of \$25,000.

*~ End of Resolution ~*

Passed and Adopted by the Board of the  
WATERESHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY  
ON May 1, 2008.

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Erica Jacquez-Santos, Chairperson

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Terry Fujimoto  
Deputy Attorney General

**DATE:** May 1, 2008

**TO:** WCA Governing Board

**FROM:** Belinda V. Faustinos, Executive Officer

**SUBJECT:** **Item 7G: Consideration of a resolution authorizing applications for the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy grant program for: a) SGR Confluence with Cattle Canyon Improvements, b) San Gabriel River Trail extension to ARWP, c) Development of the Duck Farm Phase 1B, d) Planning for Phase 2 of the Duck Farm project, e) AZRWP at El Encanto Phase 1 Development, f) 98th Street Park, and g) Citrus Heights Bike Stop Development.**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** That the WCA authorize Step 2 applications for the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy grant program for: a) SGR Confluence with Cattle Canyon Improvements, b) San Gabriel River Trail extension to Azusa River Wilderness Park, c) Development of the Duck Farm Phase 1B, d) Planning for Phase 2 of the Duck Farm project, e) AZRWP at El Encanto Phase 1 Development, f) 98th Street Park, and g) Citrus Heights Bike Stop Development.

**BACKGROUND:** In November the staff completed Step 1 applications for grants for various projects in the WCA jurisdiction to the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (RMC). At this time the RMC is requesting that the WCA either complete the Step 2 Application for each project or defer the project to the next round in the spring of 2009. The projects that staff will be completing a Step 2 Application the WCA for are:

San Gabriel River Confluence with Cattle Canyon: This project is to do improvements on the portion of the confluence of the East Fork of the San Gabriel River with Cattle Canyon and its creek. This project will include a feasibility study, development of the site, interpretive and directional signage, habitat restoration, an outreach program utilizing the Southern California Consortium project and a study on the effectiveness of the outreach. This pilot project will be completed with the intent that it is replicable in other areas of the Angeles National Forest and the San Gabriel River Watershed. This project is a collaboration of: the USFS, RMC, Sierra Club, Southern California Consortium and the Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District with all of the partners allocating staff time to the project. Funds to be requested will be less than \$1,000,000. This grant application will be for Phase 1 of the project which will include feasibility study, design and construction drawings.

San Gabriel River Trail Extension to the Azusa River Wilderness Park: Grant request is for the design and development of an extension of the San Gabriel River Trail from its current end in Azusa to the Azusa River Wilderness Park, the parking lot and future trailhead at El Encanto. Funds to be requested will be less than \$3,000,000 because it will be for the first phase which will be planning, design, construction drawings and permits.

Development of the Duck Farm Phase 1B: This grant request will include a new 150 space parking lot improvement to the access road to a community garden and dog park. A meandering trail along enhanced riparian landscape and meadow will lead to an expanded river-edge promenade along the east bank of the San Gabriel River between Valley Blvd and to the new Visitor Center and amphitheatre/outdoor

classroom adjacent to a one acre fresh water marsh landscape; access improvements by means of sidewalk improvements and a pedestrian access ramp. The existing equestrian facility will be expanded and improved. This application will be for Phase 1 of the project that will include the final design, construction drawings and permits requesting \$900,000.

Planning for Phase 2 of the Duck Farm: This grant request is for the Duck Farm to provide design and construction of open space elements at the Duck Farm for Phase 2 that will extend the planning and implantation of the project to include those areas south of Avocado Creek and seek to continue the River Commons Promenade to San Jose Creek to the San Gabriel River Bike Trail. This application will be for the final design and construction documents, the funds requested will not exceed \$750,000.

Azusa River Wilderness Park Phase 1 Development: This grant request is for phase one development of the El Encanto site in the Azusa River Wilderness Park, including the design and implementation of the Multiple Use/Special Use Areas (the area of the mobile home park) that will include the Outdoor Amphitheater, Picnic Area, Restroom, an Overlook, Entry Gates, Trail improvements as well as Interpretive and Way finding Elements. This phase 1 application will include the final design, construction drawings, and permits, the funds requested will not exceed \$650,000.

98<sup>th</sup> Street Park: This grant request is for the development of a pocket park in South Los Angeles utilizing Department of Water and Power (DWP) right of way. Project includes passive park features. WCA is in discussions with DWP to use this site as pilot project. The total funds requested is \$300,000 and would assist with planning of the site.

Citrus Heights Bike Stop Development: This grant request is for the development of the Citrus Heights Bike Stop. Property is adjacent to the San Gabriel River and will provide a rest stop for bicyclists and other pedestrians using the trail. Property is owned by Mountains Recreation Conservation Authority (MRCA) and will be conveyed to WCA for development into a bike stop area. Proposed amenities include drinking fountain, benches and interpretive/directional signage about the San Gabriel River Watershed area. Land tenure requires deed transfer from MRCA to WCA, per agreement. The total funds requested for this project is \$320,000 and would help with the feasibility and development of this site.

May 1, 2008 - Item 7G

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-12

RESOLUTION OF THE WATERSHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE CALIFORNIA CLEAN WATER, CLEAN AIR, SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS, AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2002, THE WATER, SECURITY, CLEAN DRINKING WATER, COASTAL AND BEACH PROTECTION ACT OF 2002, AND THE SAFE DRINKING WATER, WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY, FLOOD CONTROL, RIVER AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2006 (PROP 84) FOR THE 98<sup>TH</sup> STREET PARK PROJECT.

WHEREAS, The Watershed Conservation Authority has been established as a joint powers agency between the RMC and the District to implement projects which will provide open space, habitat restoration, and watershed improvement projects in both the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed; and

WHEREAS, the Watershed Conservation Authority (WCA) has further been established to focus on projects which will provide open space, habitat restoration, and watershed improvement projects in both the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of California have enacted the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002 (Proposition 40) in 2002, and the Water, Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002 (Proposition 50), and the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84) which provides funds for the RMC Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (RMC) has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of the grant program in its jurisdiction, setting up necessary procedures; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by RMC require the Applicant's Governing Body to certify by resolution the approval of the Application before submission of said Application to the State; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant will enter into a Contract with the State of California for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act; NOW

*Therefore be it resolved that the WCA hereby:*

1. FINDS that the actions contemplated by this resolution are exempt from the environmental impact report requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
2. ADOPTS the staff report dated May 1, 2008.
3. AUTHORIZES application for funds in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 from the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy Grant Program for the 98<sup>th</sup> Street Park project.

*~ End of Resolution ~*

Passed and Adopted by the Board of the  
WATERESHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY  
ON May 1, 2008.

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Erica Jacques-Santos, Chair

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Terry Fujimoto  
Deputy Attorney General

May 1, 2008 - Item 7G

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-13

RESOLUTION OF THE WATERSHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE CALIFORNIA CLEAN WATER, CLEAN AIR, SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS, AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2002, THE WATER, SECURITY, CLEAN DRINKING WATER, COASTAL AND BEACH PROTECTION ACT OF 2002, AND THE SAFE DRINKING WATER, WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY, FLOOD CONTROL, RIVER AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2006 (PROP 84) FOR THE AZUSA RIVER WILDERNESS PARK PHASE 1 DEVELOPMENT PROJECT.

WHEREAS, The Watershed Conservation Authority has been established as a joint powers agency between the RMC and the District to implement projects which will provide open space, habitat restoration, and watershed improvement projects in both the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed; and

WHEREAS, the Watershed Conservation Authority (WCA) has further been established to focus on projects which will provide open space, habitat restoration, and watershed improvement projects in both the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of California have enacted the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002 (Proposition 40) in 2002, and the Water, Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002 (Proposition 50), and the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84) which provides funds for the RMC Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (RMC) has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of the grant program in its jurisdiction, setting up necessary procedures; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by RMC require the Applicant's Governing Body to certify by resolution the approval of the Application before submission of said Application to the State; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant will enter into a Contract with the State of California for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act; NOW

*Therefore be it resolved that the WCA hereby:*

1. FINDS that the actions contemplated by this resolution are exempt from the environmental impact report requirements of the California Environmental

Quality Act (CEQA).

2. ADOPTS the staff report dated May 1, 2008.
3. AUTHORIZES application for funds in an amount not to exceed \$650,000 from the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy Grant Program for the Azusa River Wilderness Park Phase 1 Development project.

*~ End of Resolution ~*

Passed and Adopted by the Board of the  
WATERESHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY  
ON May 1, 2008.

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Erica Jacques-Santos, Chair

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Terry Fujimoto  
Deputy Attorney General

May 1, 2008 - Item 7G

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-14

RESOLUTION OF THE WATERSHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE CALIFORNIA CLEAN WATER, CLEAN AIR, SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS, AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2002, THE WATER, SECURITY, CLEAN DRINKING WATER, COASTAL AND BEACH PROTECTION ACT OF 2002, AND THE SAFE DRINKING WATER, WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY, FLOOD CONTROL, RIVER AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2006 (PROP 84) FOR THE SAN GABRIEL RIVER CONFLUENCE WITH CATTLE CANYON IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT.

WHEREAS, The Watershed Conservation Authority has been established as a joint powers agency between the RMC and the District to implement projects which will provide open space, habitat restoration, and watershed improvement projects in both the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed; and

WHEREAS, the Watershed Conservation Authority (WCA) has further been established to focus on projects which will provide open space, habitat restoration, and watershed improvement projects in both the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of California have enacted the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002 (Proposition 40) in 2002, and the Water, Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002 (Proposition 50), and the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84) which provides funds for the RMC Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (RMC) has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of the grant program in its jurisdiction, setting up necessary procedures; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by RMC require the Applicant's Governing Body to certify by resolution the approval of the Application before submission of said Application to the State; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant will enter into a Contract with the State of California for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act; NOW

*Therefore be it resolved that* the WCA hereby:

1. FINDS that the actions contemplated by this resolution are exempt from the environmental impact report requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
2. ADOPTS the staff report dated May 1, 2008.
3. AUTHORIZES application for funds in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 from the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy Grant Program San Gabriel River Confluence with Cattle Canyon improvements project.

*~ End of Resolution ~*

Passed and Adopted by the Board of the  
WATERSHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY  
ON May 1, 2008.

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Erica Jacques-Santos, Chair

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Terry Fujimoto  
Deputy Attorney General

May 1, 2008 - Item 7G

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-15

RESOLUTION OF THE WATERSHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE CALIFORNIA CLEAN WATER, CLEAN AIR, SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS, AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2002, THE WATER, SECURITY, CLEAN DRINKING WATER, COASTAL AND BEACH PROTECTION ACT OF 2002, AND THE SAFE DRINKING WATER, WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY, FLOOD CONTROL, RIVER AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2006 (PROP 84) FOR THE CITRUS HEIGHTS BIKE STOP DEVELOPMENT PROJECT.

WHEREAS, The Watershed Conservation Authority has been established as a joint powers agency between the RMC and the District to implement projects which will provide open space, habitat restoration, and watershed improvement projects in both the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed; and

WHEREAS, the Watershed Conservation Authority (WCA) has further been established to focus on projects which will provide open space, habitat restoration, and watershed improvement projects in both the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of California have enacted the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002 (Proposition 40) in 2002, and the Water, Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002 (Proposition 50), and the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84) which provides funds for the RMC Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (RMC) has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of the grant program in its jurisdiction, setting up necessary procedures; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by RMC require the Applicant's Governing Body to certify by resolution the approval of the Application before submission of said Application to the State; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant will enter into a Contract with the State of California for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act; NOW

*Therefore be it resolved that the WCA hereby:*

1. FINDS that the actions contemplated by this resolution are exempt from the

environmental impact report requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

2. ADOPTS the staff report dated May 1, 2008.
3. AUTHORIZES application for funds in an amount not to exceed \$320,000 from the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy Grant Program for the Citrus Heights Development Project.

*~ End of Resolution ~*

Passed and Adopted by the Board of the  
WATERSHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY  
ON May 1, 2008.

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Erica Jacques-Santos, Chair

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Terry Fujimoto  
Deputy Attorney General

May 1, 2008 - Item 7G

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-16

RESOLUTION OF THE WATERSHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE CALIFORNIA CLEAN WATER, CLEAN AIR, SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS, AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2002, THE WATER, SECURITY, CLEAN DRINKING WATER, COASTAL AND BEACH PROTECTION ACT OF 2002, AND THE SAFE DRINKING WATER, WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY, FLOOD CONTROL, RIVER AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2006 (PROP 84) FOR THE PLANNING FOR PHASE 2 OF THE DUCK FARM PROJECT.

WHEREAS, The Watershed Conservation Authority has been established as a joint powers agency between the RMC and the District to implement projects which will provide open space, habitat restoration, and watershed improvement projects in both the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed; and

WHEREAS, the Watershed Conservation Authority (WCA) has further been established to focus on projects which will provide open space, habitat restoration, and watershed improvement projects in both the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of California have enacted the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002 (Proposition 40) in 2002, and the Water, Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002 (Proposition 50), and the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84) which provides funds for the RMC Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (RMC) has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of the grant program in its jurisdiction, setting up necessary procedures; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by RMC require the Applicant's Governing Body to certify by resolution the approval of the Application before submission of said Application to the State; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant will enter into a Contract with the State of California for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act; NOW

*Therefore be it resolved that the WCA hereby:*

1. FINDS that the actions contemplated by this resolution are exempt from the environmental impact report requirements of the California Environmental

Quality Act (CEQA).

2. ADOPTS the staff report dated May 1, 2008.
3. AUTHORIZES application for funds in an amount not to exceed \$750,000 from the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy Grant Program for the Planning for Phase 2 of the Duck Farm project.

*~ End of Resolution ~*

Passed and Adopted by the Board of the  
WATERESHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY  
ON May 1, 2008.

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Erica Jacques-Santos, Chair

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Terry Fujimoto  
Deputy Attorney General

May 1, 2008 - Item 7G

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-17

RESOLUTION OF THE WATERSHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE CALIFORNIA CLEAN WATER, CLEAN AIR, SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS, AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2002, THE WATER, SECURITY, CLEAN DRINKING WATER, COASTAL AND BEACH PROTECTION ACT OF 2002, AND THE SAFE DRINKING WATER, WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY, FLOOD CONTROL, RIVER AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2006 (PROP 84) FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE DUCK FARM PHASE 1B PROJECT.

WHEREAS, The Watershed Conservation Authority has been established as a joint powers agency between the RMC and the District to implement projects which will provide open space, habitat restoration, and watershed improvement projects in both the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed; and

WHEREAS, the Watershed Conservation Authority (WCA) has further been established to focus on projects which will provide open space, habitat restoration, and watershed improvement projects in both the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of California have enacted the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002 (Proposition 40) in 2002, and the Water, Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002 (Proposition 50), and the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84) which provides funds for the RMC Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (RMC) has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of the grant program in its jurisdiction, setting up necessary procedures; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by RMC require the Applicant's Governing Body to certify by resolution the approval of the Application before submission of said Application to the State; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant will enter into a Contract with the State of California for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act; NOW

*Therefore be it resolved that the WCA hereby:*

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of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

2. ADOPTS the staff report dated May 1, 2008.
3. AUTHORIZES application for funds in an amount not exceed \$900,000 from the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy Grant Program for the Development of the Duck Farm Phase 1B project.

*~ End of Resolution ~*

Passed and Adopted by the Board of the  
WATERESHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY  
ON May 1, 2008.

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Erica Jacques-Santos, Chair

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Terry Fujimoto  
Deputy Attorney General

May 1, 2008 - Item 7G

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-18

RESOLUTION OF THE WATERSHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE CALIFORNIA CLEAN WATER, CLEAN AIR, SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS, AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2002, THE WATER, SECURITY, CLEAN DRINKING WATER, COASTAL AND BEACH PROTECTION ACT OF 2002, AND THE SAFE DRINKING WATER, WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY, FLOOD CONTROL, RIVER AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2006 (PROP 84) FOR THE SAN GABRIEL RIVER TRAIL EXTENSION TO THE AZUSA RIVER WILDERNESS PARK PROJECT.

WHEREAS, The Watershed Conservation Authority has been established as a joint powers agency between the RMC and the District to implement projects which will provide open space, habitat restoration, and watershed improvement projects in both the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed; and

WHEREAS, the Watershed Conservation Authority (WCA) has further been established to focus on projects which will provide open space, habitat restoration, and watershed improvement projects in both the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers watershed; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of California have enacted the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002 (Proposition 40) in 2002, and the Water, Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002 (Proposition 50), and the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84) which provides funds for the RMC Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (RMC) has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of the grant program in its jurisdiction, setting up necessary procedures; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by RMC require the Applicant's Governing Body to certify by resolution the approval of the Application before submission of said Application to the State; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant will enter into a Contract with the State of California for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act; NOW

*Therefore be it resolved that the WCA hereby:*

1. FINDS that the actions contemplated by this resolution are exempt from the

environmental impact report requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

2. ADOPTS the staff report dated May 1, 2008.
3. AUTHORIZES application for funds in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 from the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy Grant Program for the San Gabriel River Trail Extension to the Azusa River Wilderness Park project.

*~ End of Resolution ~*

Passed and Adopted by the Board of the  
WATERESHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY  
ON May 1, 2008.

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Erica Jacques-Santos, Chair

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