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## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** 3-23-07  
**TO:** File  
**FROM:** Judi Tamasi, Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority  
**RE:** Minutes for the November 29, 2006 Lechuza Beach Meeting  
at Ramirez Canyon Park

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**Date/Time:** November 29, 2006, 12 noon-~2pm

**Location:** Ramirez Canyon Park

**Attendees:**

California State Coastal Conservancy-Doug Bosco, Mary Small, Elena Eger  
MEHOA-Cathleen Summers, Shari Plummer  
Rick Davis, Burt Boeckmann  
Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA)-Joseph Edmiston, Laurie  
Collins, Stephanie Landregan, Judi Tamasi

**Issues discussed:**

Mr. Bosco started by saying he enjoys working with all parties, who are good people. He mentioned the back and forth of letters/emails that had been sent recently. He stated that if he did not see progress, then he would consider taking back the property (or management of the property, or the funding) and giving it to another entity.

Mr. Edmiston stated that he did not see how legally that the Coastal Conservancy could do that. It would have to be shown that there is a breach of agreement.

Mr. Davis pointed out that the Coastal Act requires that the protection of private property rights. Mr. Davis pointed out that with the amount of money that was spent, that it is unusual to have so little progress, and that this would not be acceptable in a private company.

Mr. Davis referred to the meeting minutes of May 2, 2006, and stated that we already agreed to issues and asked why the same issues were again being raised.

Mr. Edmiston stated that Ms. Summers was correct in that a portion of the southerly portion of Broad Beach Road did appear to be deeded to the private property owners.

Mr. Edmiston read from an email from a beachgoer to MRCA stating that they had been threatened regarding their use of the beach when they were at Lechuza. Ms. Summers stated that regarding that incident, she had been concerned that there was child abuse going on.

There was some discussion between Ms. Collins and Mr. Davis regarding the rights of MRCA in the Sea Level Drive easement, and whether they were limited rights.

Members of MEHOA stated that Steve Horn agreed that within the additional width of the MRCA easement adjacent to Lot I (i.e., Bertinelli easement), that landscaping would be done. MEHOA members stated their agreement with landscaping, but that they retained their right to question to legality of the easement.

MRCA staff indicated they were not aware of any agreement to use the Lot I easement for landscaping only. Ms. Landregan stated that might not be the best option from a design standpoint. Mr. Edmiston pointed out the difficulties in designing a project when the parties could not agree on the project area.

Mr. Edmiston raised the possibility of a funicular and boardwalk. Ms. Tamasi passed out a design plan and an aerial. Ms. Summers stated that they were surprised they were being presented with this proposal without prior discussion and that she hoped this proposal would not be raised at the meeting with the Coastal Commission. She was surprised public funds were used to do the design.