

BALDWIN HILLS CONSERVANCY (BHC)

RESOLUTION 09-11

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S REVISED MOTION FOR AMENDMENTS TO THE BALDWIN HILLS COMMUNITY STANDARD DISTRICT (CSD); AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO ASSIST WITH THE PROCUREMENT OF QUALIFIED INDEPENDENT EXPERTS TO CONSULT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING ON REGULATORY MODIFICATIONS OR ENHANCEMENTS TO THE CSD

WHEREAS, the Baldwin Hills Conservancy was created to acquire open space and manage public lands within the Baldwin Hills area and to provide recreation, restoration and protection of wildlife habitat within the Conservancy territory; and

WHEREAS, the Baldwin Hills Conservancy is authorized to conduct any necessary planning and development activities in accordance with its statutory objectives pursuant to Public Resources Code section 32565.5 (b); and

WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles' Board of Supervisors (BOS) voted unanimously to amend the health and safety regulations of the CSD, including but not limited to: revising the number of new oil wells allowed per year and over all; imposing controls regarding the abandonment of old wells; establishing an end date for drilling; the possibility of undergrounding electrical service and piping; providing for additional visual screening of drilling and pumping activities; and restoring vegetation and topography; and

WHEREAS, the BOS provides the Director of Planning the authority to procure the assistance of qualified consultants for the purposes of the study; and

WHEREAS, BHC support for the BOS action and assistance in assembling the technical advisors and identifying funding sources for the consultant services would allow for improved protection of public health, air, water and soil, as well as a timetable for clean up of degraded lands and expansion of natural areas unique the Baldwin Hills; and

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

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THE GOVERNING BOARD SUPPORTS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S REVISED MOTION FOR CSD AMENDMENTS AND AUTHORIZES THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO ASSIST WITH THE PROCUREMENT OF QUALIFIED INDEPENDENT EXPERTS TO CONSULT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING ON REGULATORY MODIFICATIONS OR ENHANCEMENTS TO THE CSD

Passed and Adopted by the Board of the
BALDWIN HILLS CONSERVANCY

on _____, 2009.

Robert L. Jones
Chair

ATTEST: _____
Rosana Miramontes
Deputy Attorney General