

Regional Conservation Authority

**RESOLUTION NO. 08-006,
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY REGIONAL CONSERVATION
AUTHORITY ADOPTING AN ENDOWMENT FUND INVESTMENT POLICY**

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Background:

The Authority often accepts endowments from various individuals and entities. Staff believes it is important to adopt a policy to govern its endowment and investment fund.

The proposed policy states that endowments contributed by donors and related interest will be used for management and monitoring. Donors may classify the funds as restricted or unrestricted. Unused funds generated by Endowments in a current year may be used in subsequent years. Provided that there is no other legal prohibition, funds classified as unrestricted will be placed in the corpus of the RCA Adaptive Management Endowment.

Staff Recommendation:

That the RCA Executive Committee:

- 1) Recommend that the Board adopt Resolution No. 08-006, Adopting an Endowment Fund Investment Policy; and
- 2) Authorize staff to agendize this matter for the June 9, 2008 Special Meeting of the RCA Board of Directors.

Attachments:

- 1) Resolution No. 08-006, Adopting an Endowment Fund Investment Policy
- 2) Endowment Fund Investment Policy

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

**ATTACHMENT 1
RESOLUTION NO. 08-006**

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**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY REGIONAL
CONSERVATION AUTHORITY ADOPTING AN
ENDOWMENT FUND INVESTMENT POLICY**

WHEREAS, the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority (the "Authority") is a public agency of the State of California formed by a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement ("Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Authority often accepts endowments from various individuals and entities; and

WHEREAS, the Authority believes it is important to adopt a policy to govern its endowment and investment fund; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority Board of Directors hereby adopts the "Endowment Fund Investment Policy," a copy of which attached hereto and incorporated herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors at the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority held this ____ day of _____, 2008.

By: _____
Eugene Montanez, Chairman
Western Riverside County
Regional Conservation Authority

ATTEST:

By: _____
Honey Bernas, Clerk of the Board
Western Riverside County
Regional Conservation Authority

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ATTACHMENT 2 ENDOWMENT FUND INVESTMENT POLICY

WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY REGIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

ENDOWMENT FUND INVESTMENT POLICY

1. Purpose. The purpose of this Policy is to provide for the investment and management of the endowments (“Endowment[s]”) accepted by the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority (“RCA”).
2. Donations. Donors who contribute Endowments to the RCA shall be required to donate funds pursuant to this policy.
 - 2.1. Endowments contributed by donors and interest generated by said Endowments shall be used for management and monitoring.
 - 2.1.1. Donors may classify the use of Endowment funds and related interest as unrestricted funds or as funds restricted to a specific property. Funds classified as unrestricted shall be placed in the corpus of the RCA Adaptive Management Endowment.
 - 2.1.2. Unused funds generated by the Endowment in a current year may be used in subsequent years.
 - 2.1.3. Provided that there is no other legal prohibition, 25 years after receipt of the Endowment, restricted funds will be added to the corpus of the RCA Adaptive Management Endowment.
3. Standard of Investment. The Standard of Investment is governed by the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority Investment Policy.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board has caused this Policy to be adopted effective on this _____ day of _____, 2008.

By: _____
Eugene Montanez, Chairman
Western Riverside County
Regional Conservation Authority

ATTEST:

By: _____
Honey Bernas, Clerk of the Board
Western Riverside County
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