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Julia Richards
Executive Director
San Diego River Conservancy
Sent via email: Julia.Richards@sdrc.ca.gov

Re: El Monte Valley Surplus Properties offered by Helix Water District

Dear Ms. Richards:

The County of San Diego (County) has been in discussions with Helix Water District and San Diego River Conservancy regarding the potential acquisition of the El Monte Valley Surplus properties offered by Helix Water District. The property has the potential to provide a future trail connection along the San Diego River that can connect to nearby County Department of Parks and Recreation facilities, including Lakeside Equestrian Park and Cactus Park.

The County is in the process of conducting our due diligence of this property as part of our process for any potential acquisition. This process involves reviewing the existing appraisal conducted by Helix Water District and possibly obtaining our own appraisal, conducting site visits to evaluate on-site conditions and negotiating terms of a purchase and sale agreement. If County funding for this acquisition is secured and Helix Water District and the County agree on a purchase price and terms, it can be brought forward to our Board of Supervisors for their consideration.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Deborah Mosley, Chief of Resource Management Division, at Deborah.Mosley@sdcounty.ca.gov or 858-444-5711.

Sincerely,

Brian Albright

