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El Monte Nature Preserve, LLC an environmental and mineral resource enterprise focused on the development and restoration of approximately 500 acres in the El Monte Valley in Lakeside, California announced today a division of duties between two of its managing partners.

Starting today, Ron Blair- the Senior Managing Partner of El Monte Nature Preserve, LLC ("EMNP") will assume responsibility for community relations, media communication, and contract administration. Mr. Blair is a longtime resident and respected businessman of San Diego County and was instrumental in negotiating the option agreement to acquire the El Monte Valley property from the Helix Water District.

Bill Adams, also a managing partner for EMNP, will continue in his role as coordinator of all entitlement efforts and environmental planning.

The El Monte Nature Preserve Project is an innovative and "new wave" strategic partnership incorporating the goals of environmental interests with mineral resource development in the County. Working collaboratively with

the Endangered Habitats Conservancy to design and implement the Project's restoration strategy, EMNP has agreed to fund new habitat, emergent wetlands, and expanded wildlife conservation in the Valley.

The project will also fund and dedicate a public trails system to be integrated into the San Diego River Park Master Plan. The final project outcome would be integrated into the San Diego County Multiple Species Conservation Plan. The public trail system will extend the full length of the property and will be open during resource extraction activities.

The Project is scheduled to begin resource extraction in late 2016 or early 2017. Extraction activities will be divided into four phases over 15 years; as one extraction phase is completed, restoration and planting of native species will begin immediately. The property will be dedicated and endowed into perpetuity for use as public trails and wildlife conservation following the resource extraction.

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