

## MEETING AGENDA

CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS  
FACILITY REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE COMMISSION TASK FORCE

Thursday, April 4, 2024 at 10:00 A.M.  
or soon thereafter as the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners  
adjourns its Regular Meeting noticed for 9:00 A.M.

Baldwin Hills Recreation Center  
5401 Highlight Pl., Los Angeles, CA 90016

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1. CALL TO ORDER
2. CURRENT BUSINESS
  - A. Vanalden Park – Aliso Creek-Limekiln Creek Restoration Project  
Discussion of Proposed Project
  - B. Sepulveda Basin Recreation Area – Vision Plan  
Discussion of Proposed Project

April 4, 2024

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments by the Public on Matters within Task Force Jurisdiction

4. NEXT MEETING

The next Facility Repair and Maintenance Commission Task Force Meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, May 2, 2024 at 10:00 A.M. or soon thereafter as the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners adjourns its Regular Meeting noticed for 9:00 A.M.

5. ADJOURNMENT

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**CITY OF LOS ANGELES**

**DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS**

**FACILITY REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE COMMISSION TASK FORCE BRIEFING**

**04/04/2024**

**Project Overview/Scope of Work**

The Aliso Creek - Limekiln Creek Restoration Project, located at the confluence of Aliso and Limekiln Creek flood channels within Council District 12, seeks to improve stormwater quality.

The project intends to improve water quality by diverting stormwater from Aliso Creek, Limekiln Creek, and a 102" storm drain through a pre-treatment system before pumping it into five bioretention basins. This process treats runoff before it's released into Aliso Creek, Limekiln Creek, and eventually the Los Angeles River. Additionally, the project will enhance park facilities, offer educational opportunities, support wildlife habitats, and restore vegetation. It will also improve climate change adaptability, boost sustainability, replenish natural resources, and elevate the community's quality of life.

**Budget/Funding**

The project initially received approval for a total budget of \$16,140,089 through Proposition O funding. However, due to the additional design elements by LASAN and BOE, increased labor and material costs since the previous estimate in 2018, and a rise in the escalation rate, the total project budget estimate has risen to \$29,266,465 as of 2023. Consequently, the project now faces a deficit of \$13,126,376. BOE and LASAN are currently exploring ways of closing the budget gap. Alternative one is to request Capital and Technology Improvement Expenditure Program (CTIEP) funds and complete the project in one single phase. Alternative two is splitting the project in two phases and using Prop O funding for phase 1 and CTIEP funds for phase two.

**Project Outreach**

Efforts have been made among the stake holders regarding project's design and progress such as meetings with LASAN and Rec and Parks (RAP), Council District 12, and Community Oversight Advisory Committee (COAC) for Prop O. BOE is currently engaging the park director and a meeting scheduled for April 12 to discuss the impact of construction to the park and its programs.

**Operation and Maintenance**

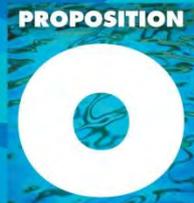
The project's operation and maintenance responsibility will be shared between LASAN and Rec and Parks. The details are currently being worked on in a Memorandum of Agreement between LASAN and RAP. LASAN would maintain the structural, mechanical, and electrical stormwater quality management facilities installed as part of the Project as well as the bio-retention basins from the toe of the slope by replacing or redistributing mulch, mowing, controlling weeds, irrigating during drought conditions, reseeding, or sodding bare areas, clearing debris and blockages, removing accumulated sediment and any other activities that are needed. RAP would agree to the maintenance of the park Improvements related to the landscaping and irrigation, trails, fencing, trees, signage, trash receptacles, access roads and recreational features, the plantings on the slope and banks to the bottom of the bio-retention basins of the RAP project area.

# Aliso Creek-Limekiln Creek Restoration Project



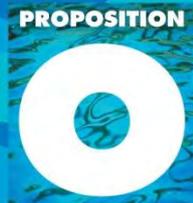
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BOND PROJECT

03/7/2024

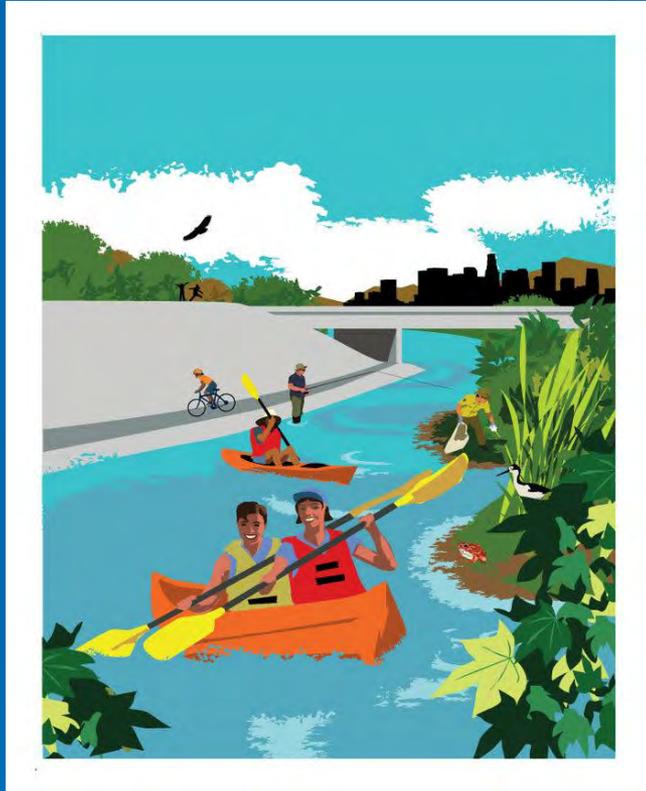


# What is Prop O?

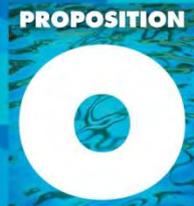
- Approved by LA voters in 2004
- \$500 Million program
- Improves water quality:
  - Lakes
  - Rivers
  - Beaches
- Helps City comply with State/Federal clean water regulations



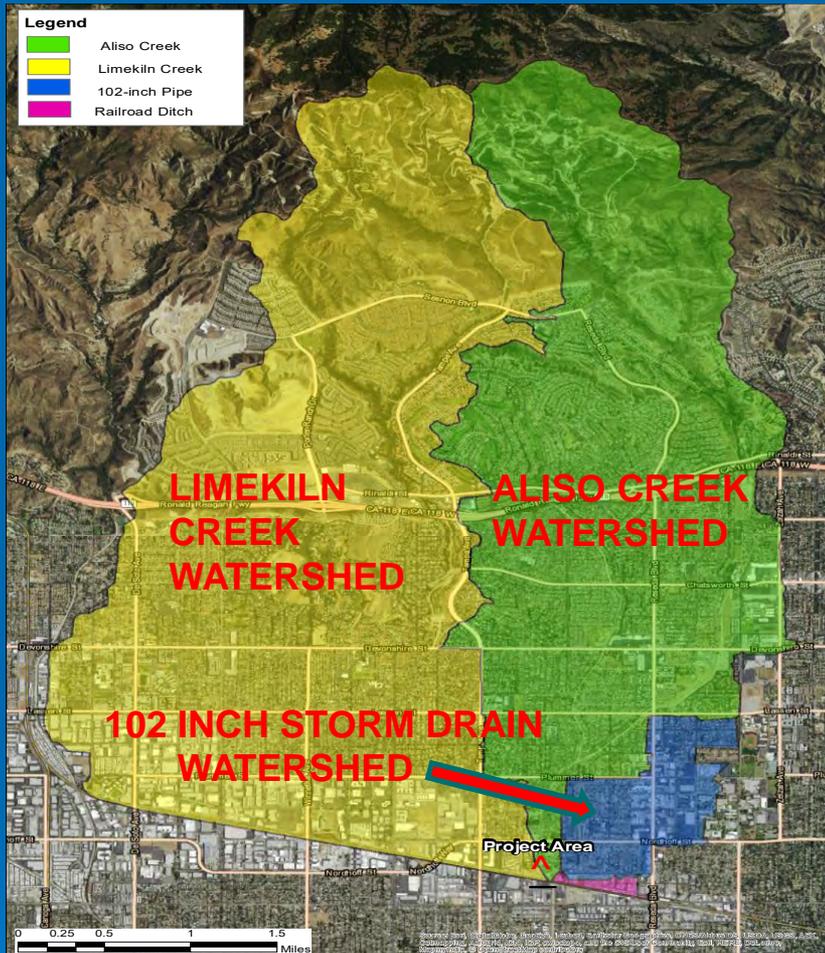
# Project Purpose and Benefits



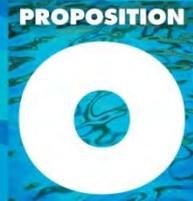
- Improve the water quality of the Los Angeles River
- Improved public health
- Help restore the beneficial and recreational use of the Los Angeles River



# Project Description/Background



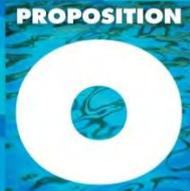
- 3 Sub-watersheds to LA River
  - Limekiln Creek ~ 7,000 acres
  - Aliso Creek ~ 5,000 acres
  - 102-inch pipe ~ 500 acres



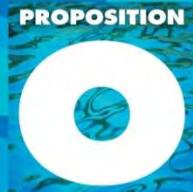
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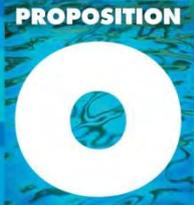
- Vanalden Park
- Construction will take place in the areas of the park outlined in yellow.
- This area is currently unused land.



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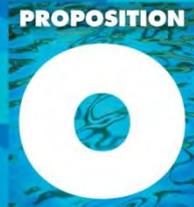


# Project Layout

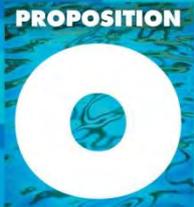
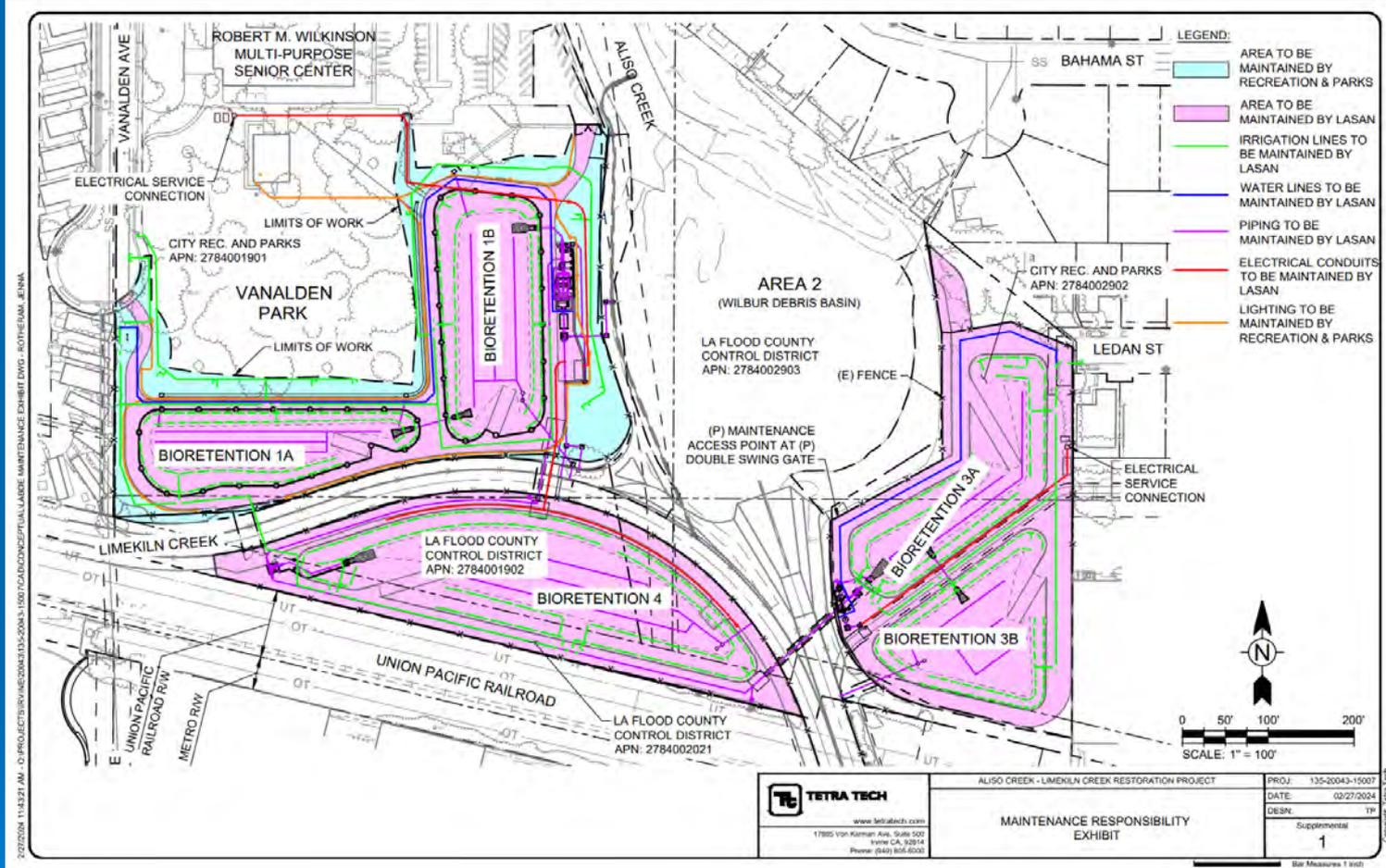


# Scope of Work

- Stormwater will be diverted from Aliso Creek, Limekiln Creek, and the existing 102" storm drain
- The diverted stormwater will flow into a trash separator unit, and then a pump station, where the flows will be pumped to the bio retention basins.
- The bioretention basins consist of a shallow pond with vegetation, and engineered soil for nutrient consumption, and bacteria removal.
- Lighting system surrounding bioretention basin area 1.



# Operation and Maintenance



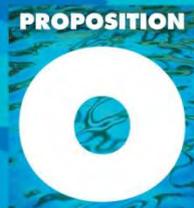
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## ➤ REC & PARKS

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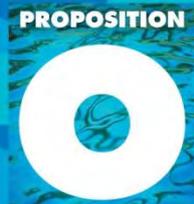
# Trees/Benches

➤ 10 trees in 24” boxes are proposed in Area 1 of the project.

- Tipu Tree (3)
- Chinese Elm (3)
- Sawleaf Zelkova (4)

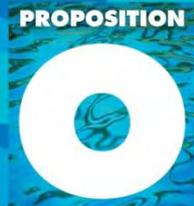


➤ Two benches are proposed near where the walking path crosses Area 1.



# Current Status

- 95 % Design Plans, Specs and Cost Estimate.
- Working on Permitting.
  - LADBS Permits
  - Environmental Permits
  - County Permit
- MOA between LASAN/RAP and MOU between County/LASAN

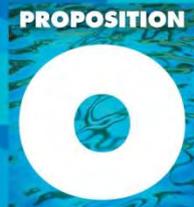


# Project Budget

<b>Approved Project Budget</b>	<b>\$16,140,089</b>
<b>Total Project Budget Estimate 2023</b>	<b>\$29,266,465</b>
<b>Project Deficit</b>	<b>\$13,126,376</b>

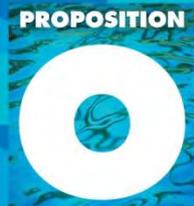
## Contributing Factors:

- Additional design elements added by LASAN and BOE.
- Escalation rate.
- Labor and Materials increased since previous estimate 2018.



# Proposals to complete the project

- Continue with one large project.
  - Use Prop O funding.
  - Request Capital and Technology Improvement Expenditure Plan (CTIEP) funds for FY24-25 and FY25-26 to complete the project.
- Splitting the project into two phases
  - Use Prop O funding to complete Phase 1.
  - Request CTIEP Funds to complete Phase 2.

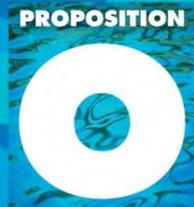




# Project Schedule/Phase 1

Phase	Start	End
Pre-Design	03/03/2015	05/31/2016
Design	06/02/2016	08/31/2024
Bid and Award	09/01/2024	03/01/2025
Construction	03/02/2025	03/02/2027
Post-Construction	03/02/2027	03/02/2028

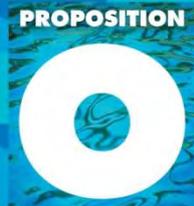
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# Phase 2 Project Schedule

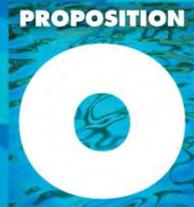
Remaining Design Work/Permitting	06/01/2026	03/01/2027
Bid and Award	03/2/2027	09/01/2027
Construction	09/01/2027	04/01/2029
Post Construction	04/02/2029	04/02/2030

Total Project Budget Estimate for Phase 2 is \$16,852,099 includes contingency and escalation

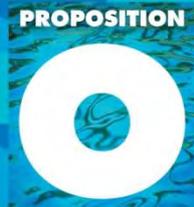


# Next Steps

- Brief COAC and AOC on the scope of work change and project phasing
- Wait to hear if the funding for the entire project will be done through the CTEIP request done in 2023.



# Questions



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FACILITY REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE COMMISSION TASK FORCE BRIEFING  
APRIL 4, 2024

The Sepulveda Basin Vision Plan (Plan) encompasses the Sepulveda Basin Recreation Area and is located at Burbank Blvd, Encino, CA 91316 in Council District 4 and 6. The 2,000 acre Sepulveda Basin is owned by the US Army Corps of Engineers and leased to various agencies, including approximately 1,500 acres to the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP).

The Vision Plan is a planning document that reimagines the LA River and its tributaries in the Sepulveda Basin as naturalized systems, giving room for the rivers and creeks to move more freely instead of the channelized systems that exist today. Simply put, reimagine the 2,000 acres as a rich, nature-based 'Central Park' for the San Fernando Valley.

The Plan seeks to optimize each objective through a multi-benefit, nature-based approach: increase climate resilience of the basin and surrounding neighborhoods, increase ecosystem function within the basin using nature-based strategies, create natural functioning of the LA River and tributaries, improve the interface between ecology, recreation, and cultural or art areas, improve water quality of streams and outlets entering the basin, improve multi-modal transportation access to the basin and within the basin, enhance recreational, educational, and cultural programming, maintain or increase food risk reduction, explore governance and long-term operations and maintenance models for the basin.

The expansion of tree canopy and vegetation in heat island areas is a key nature-based strategy to mitigating extreme heat. There are 8 habitat restoration typologies in 3 different categories: riparian, transitional, and upland habitats. The details of habitat mitigation would be developed during the CEQA/NEPA documentation phase. Furthermore, the Plan proposed to reduce floor risk for surrounding communities downstream of the Sepulveda Dam by increasing the floor capacity by 10-25%, increase arts and educational opportunities for the surrounding communities and LA region, and over 5 miles of new regional trails, 15 miles of new multi-use loop trails, and 2 miles of kayak trails, 600 acres of improved existing habitat, and 450 acres of re-naturalized LA river and tributaries.

Given the always increasing pressures on City departments to design, build, and maintain park and infrastructural landscapes, it is recommended that a Sepulveda Conservancy be formed with the sole purpose of supporting the habitats and programs of Sepulveda Basin through ongoing stewardship, fundraising, and investment. An endowment and conservancy could work in parallel with the RAP budget to provide additional resources to maintenance needs.

During the Vision Plan process, the team has held three 2.5 hour community meetings, received 5,000 digital surveys, 536 public comments, and 24 letters and long form emails. During the design development of individual projects additional public and agency outreach will be conducted.

Full implementation of the 47 projects proposed in the Vision Plan is estimated to cost \$4.8 billion dollars over the next 25 years. The Plan contains project fact sheets that outline an overall project, provide a diagram, a list of project elements including the phase, type of project, overall size of the project. Much of this investment is required in the next 10 years to meet the ambitious timeline goals for addressing community resilience and climate instability.



# SEPULVEDA BASIN

## VISION PLAN

**The ambitions are clear. Rethink the Basin with natural systems thinking and traditional ecological knowledge. Naturalize the River and tributaries to improve ecosystem function, biodiversity and floodplain connectivity. Capture, infiltrate and store precious stormwater. Connect the Basin to the surrounding communities. Create clear internal non-vehicular circulation. Enhance recreational and cultural programming. Reimagine the 2,000 acres as a rich, nature-based 'Central Park' for the San Fernando Valley.**

We acknowledge that the Sepulveda Basin and surrounding neighborhoods are the traditional lands of the Fernandeño Tataviam, Gabrieleño Tongva/Kizh, and Ventureño Chumash. We recognize that Indigenous Peoples have stewarded this land for thousands of years, many of whom still call it home today. We recognize our responsibility to include these Tribal Nations in what we do for Sepulveda Basin.





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# SEPULVEDA BASIN VISION PLAN

# VISION PLAN SCHEDULE

3.1.2024  
1:00 PM

- STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS
- TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) MEETINGS
- # WORKSHOPS FOR STAKEHOLDER ORGANIZATIONS
- POP-UP EVENTS
- # COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Meetings with stakeholders, research, analysis, & review of planning documents

Generating design ideas & vision alternatives based on community input

Refining the selected alternative into a draft vision plan

Responding to comments and finalizing the vision plan



WE ARE HERE

# SITE LOCATION

## SEPULVEDA BASIN PROJECT SITE



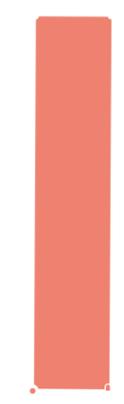
**2000**  
**ACRES**  
WITHIN THE PROJECT  
BOUNDARY



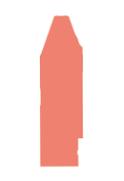
**SEPULVEDA BASIN  
PROJECT SITE**  
2000+ Acres



**GRIFFITH PARK**  
Los Angeles, CA  
4280 Acres



**CENTRAL PARK**  
New York, NY  
840 Acres



**NATIONAL MALL**  
Washington, DC  
172 Acres

# LA 28 OLYMPICS



**LA28 PLANS ON  
RELEASING THEIR LIST  
OF EVENTS IN THE  
COMING MONTHS.**

**THEY ARE FOLLOWING  
THE LEAD OF THE  
VISION PLAN.**

# VISION PLAN OBJECTIVES



**1** Increase climate resilience of the basin and surrounding neighborhoods.

**2** Increase ecosystem function within the Basin using nature-based strategies.

**3** Create natural functioning of the LA River and Tributaries.

**4** Improve the interface between ecology, recreation, cultural, and art areas.

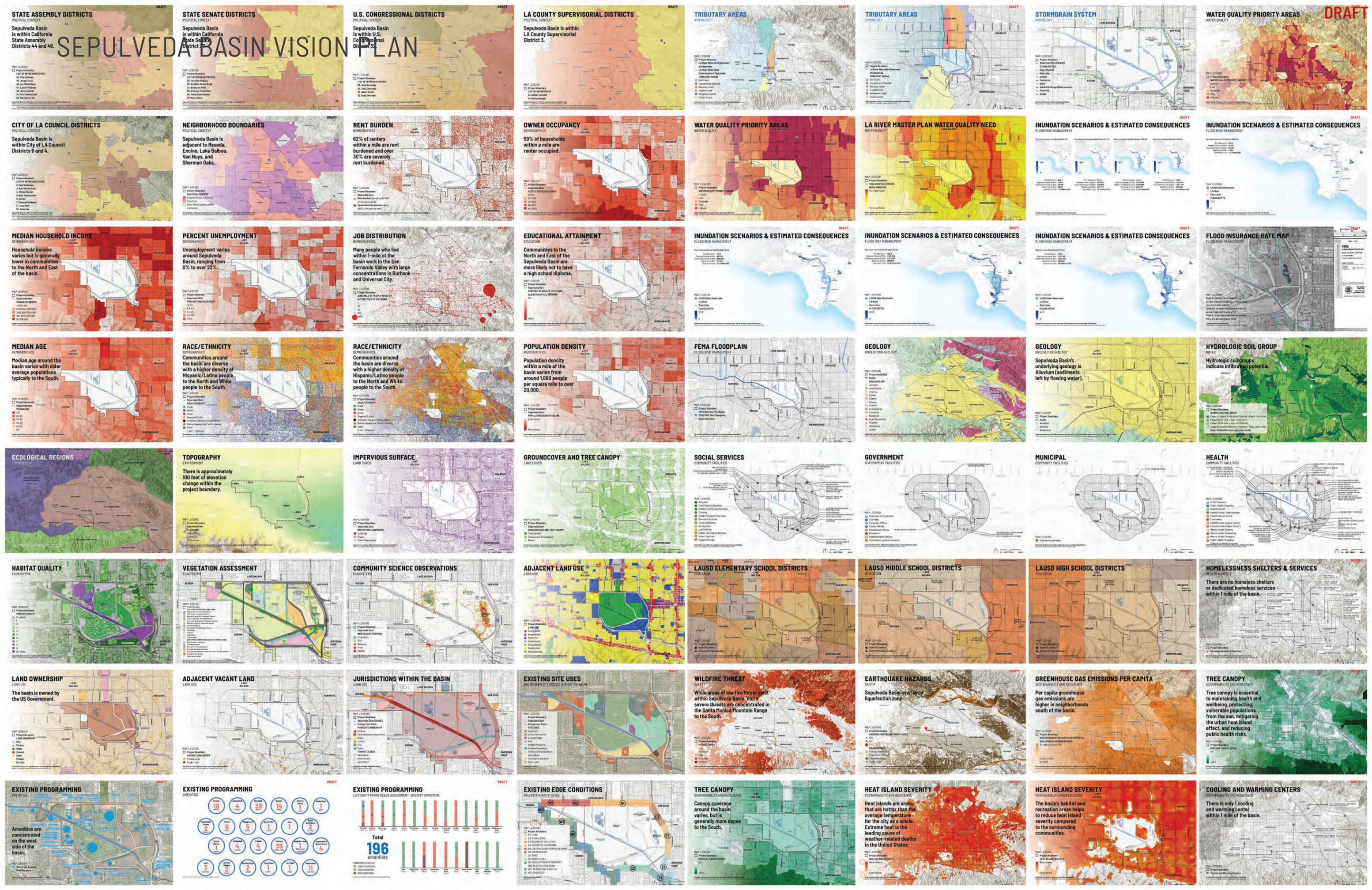
**5** Improve water quality of streams and outlets entering the basin.

**6** Improve multi-modal transportation access to the basin and within the basin.

**7** Enhance recreational, educational, cultural, and art programming.

**8** Maintain or increase flood risk reduction.

**9** Explore governance and long-term operations and maintenance models for the basin.



# COMMUNITY MEETINGS



# WALK SHOPS



# YOUTH ENGAGEMENT



**25+**  
**COMMUNITY POP-UPS**

# DESIGN WORKSHOPS



# AGENCY COORDINATION

# 100+ INTERESTED PARTNER MEETINGS



**DIGITAL OUTREACH**

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# WHAT WE HEARD IN THE BEGINNING... SOME PARK AMENITIES ARE ALREADY GREAT!



**WOODLEY PARK**



**WILDLIFE  
RESERVE**



**BALBOA SPORTS  
CENTER**



**SEPULVEDA  
BASIN DOG PARK**



**APOLLO XI MODEL  
AIRCRAFT FIELD**



**COMMUNITY GARDENS  
CENTER**



**TAPIA BROTHERS  
FARM**



**GOLF**



**BALBOA LAKE**

# WHAT WE HEARD IN THE BEGINNING... THERE ARE OPPORTUNITIES FOR IMPROVEMENT.

## **MORE PROGRAMMING.**

- Pickleball courts
- More passive recreation
- School usage of facilities
- Senior activities and access

## **PROVIDE BASIC AMENITIES...**

- Shade options
- Park benches/seating
- Better lighting for safety
- Underpass cleanup

## **PRIORITIZE NATIVE HABITATS & ECOLOGY!**

- Native trees
- River clean-up
- Wildlife protection & expansion of wildlife areas
- Improve tributaries

## **IMPROVE ACCESS!**

- Access by shuttles, busses
- Better pedestrian access, bridges
- Better/strategic parking
- Bike access and amenities
- Circular route around the basin
- Diversity of experiences
- Electric bike-share
- Signage/wayfinding/mile markers
- Muddy & degraded trails
- Too much informal access to wildlife preserve

## **BROADEN INDIGENOUS GROUPS REPRESENTATION!**

- Access to water, basketry, tribal fishing, canoeing, urban agriculture
- Compensation to participate in planning process

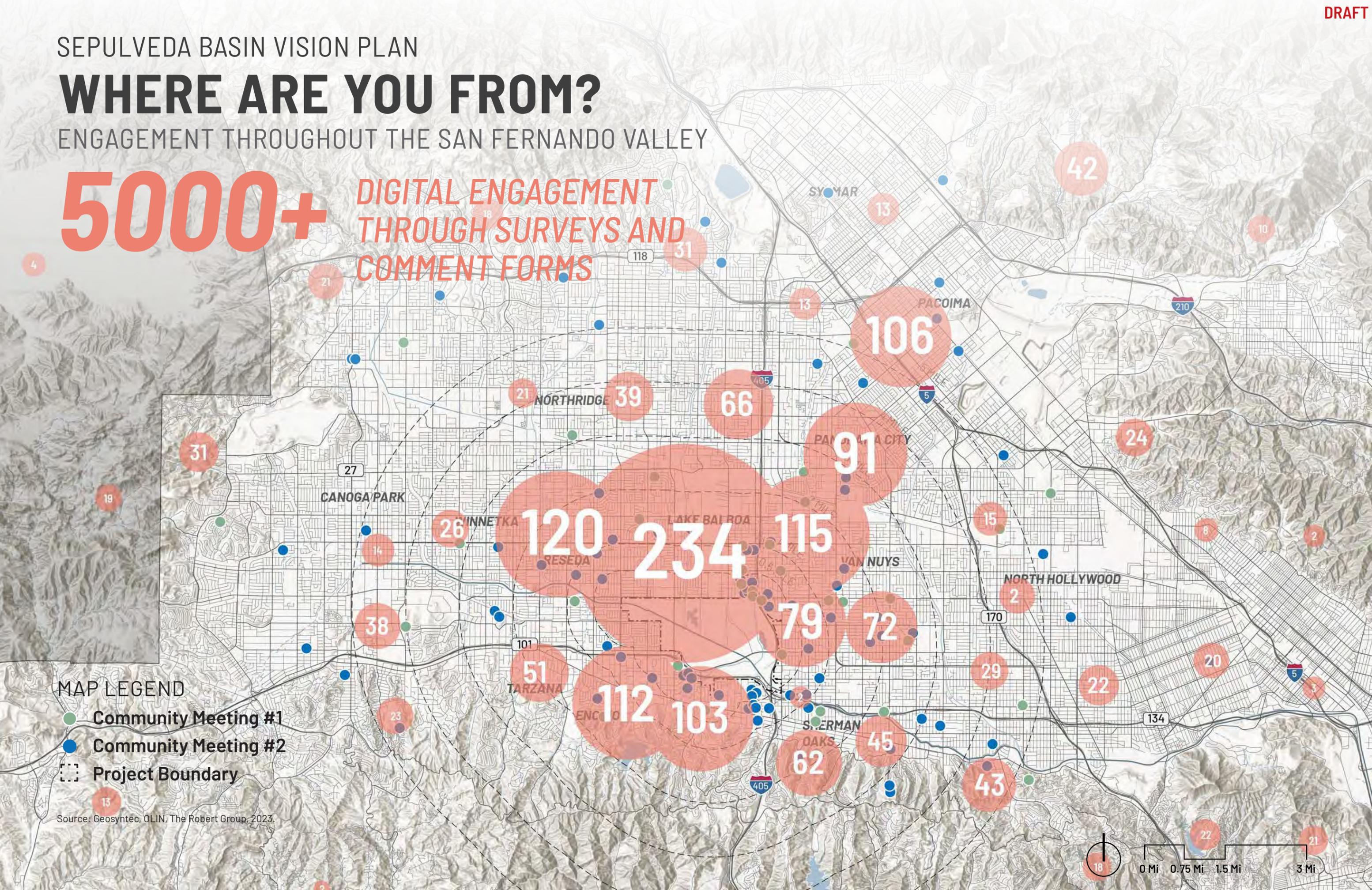
# SEPULVEDA BASIN VISION PLAN

## WHERE ARE YOU FROM?

ENGAGEMENT THROUGHOUT THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY

# 5000+

DIGITAL ENGAGEMENT  
THROUGH SURVEYS AND  
COMMENT FORMS



### MAP LEGEND

- Community Meeting #1
- Community Meeting #2
- ⋯ Project Boundary

Source: Geosyntec, OLIN, The Robert Group, 2023.



# VISION PLAN PUBLIC DRAFT

AGENCY AND COMMUNITY REVIEW

**3** PUBLIC DRAFT DEDICATED  
COMMUNITY MEETINGS

**75** DAYS OF OPEN  
REVIEW



Draft Plan Release  
*October 2023*

End of Comment Period  
*January 2024*

Final Plan and Briefings  
*March 2024*

**536** PUBLIC DRAFT  
COMMENTS

**24** LETTERS AND LONG  
FORM EMAILS

Community Meetings 3 and 4 (Virtual)  
Draft Plan Release



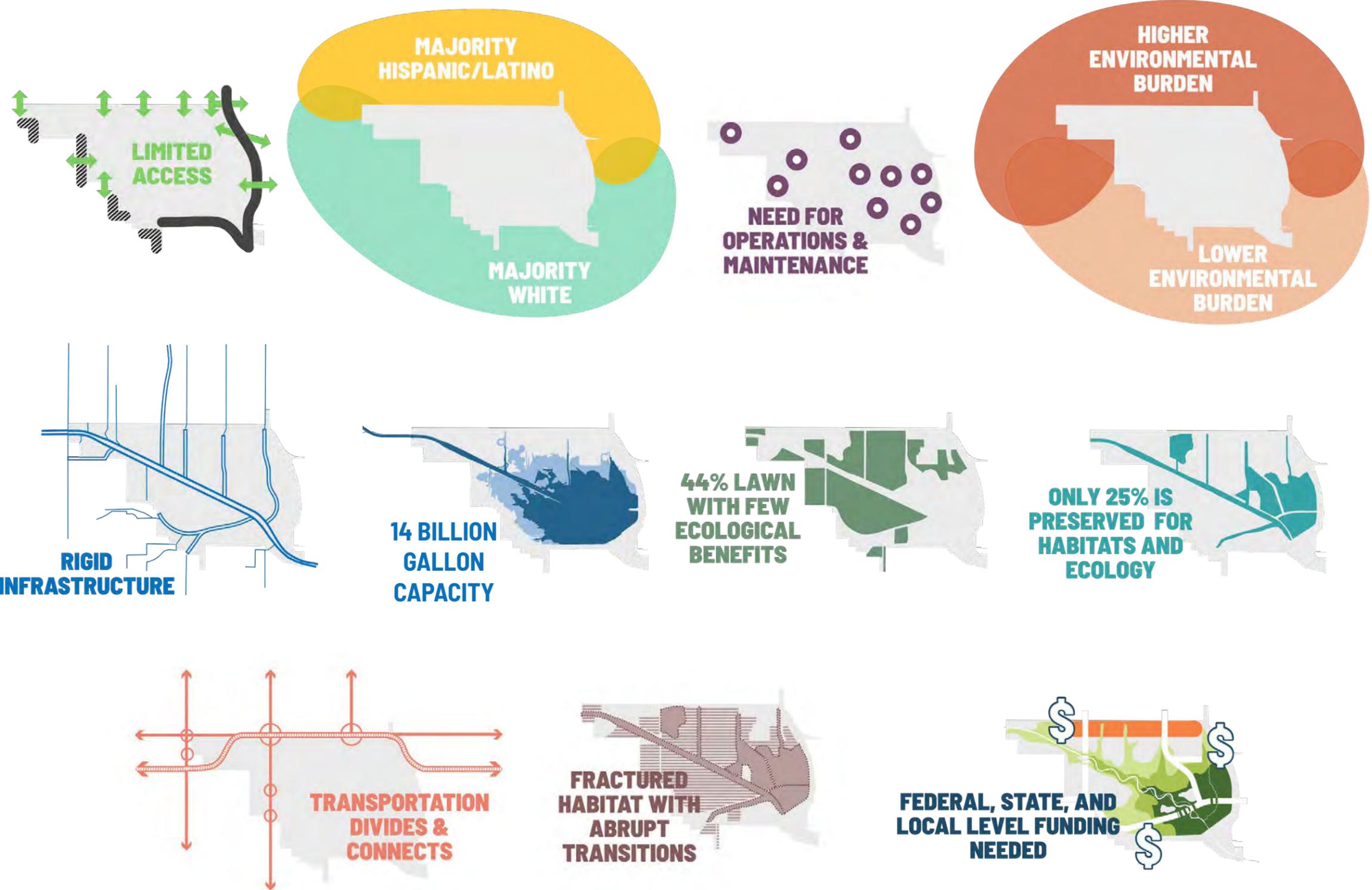
Community Meeting 5  
Panel Discussion



Image Sources: OLIN, 2023.

# SEPULVEDA BASIN VISION PLAN

## EARLY ANALYSIS FINDINGS



# EARLY IDEAS: SPECTRUM OF ALTERNATIVES

Varied Hydrological Approaches

Cultural Programming

Recreational Programming



WILDLANDS

TERRACED FLOODPLAIN

RIVER VALLEY

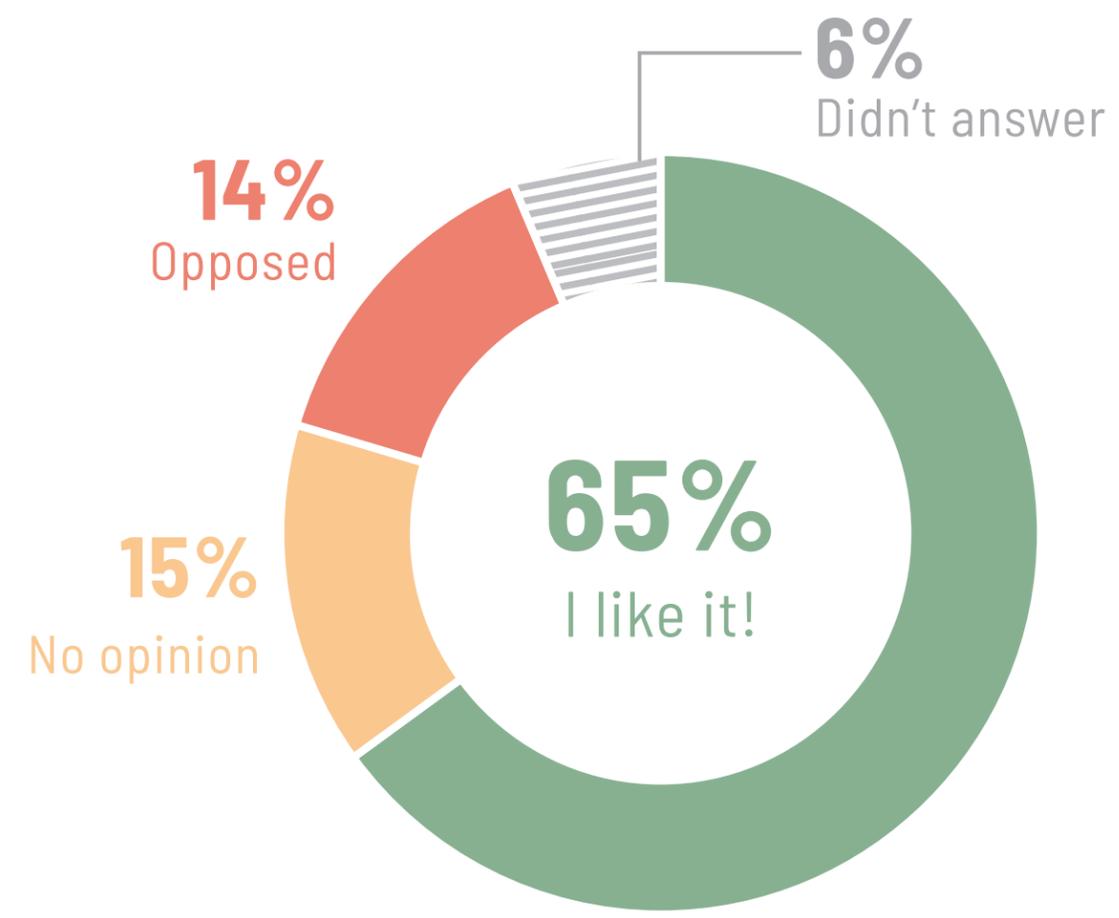
 Significant regrading

 Significant regrading

 Modest regrading

# WHAT WE HEARD ABOUT THE DESIGN ALTERNATIVES...

De-channelize and naturalize the LA River and its tributaries and creeks



**INCREASE BASIN CAPACITY**

**MORE RECREATION AND CULTURAL PROGRAMMING.**

**CALM TRAFFIC, INCREASE ACCESS, AND PROVIDE NEW AND IMPROVED TRAILS!**

**RESTORE HABITAT FOR NATIVE PLANTS AND ANIMALS**

**KEEP 52 HOLES OF GOLF!**

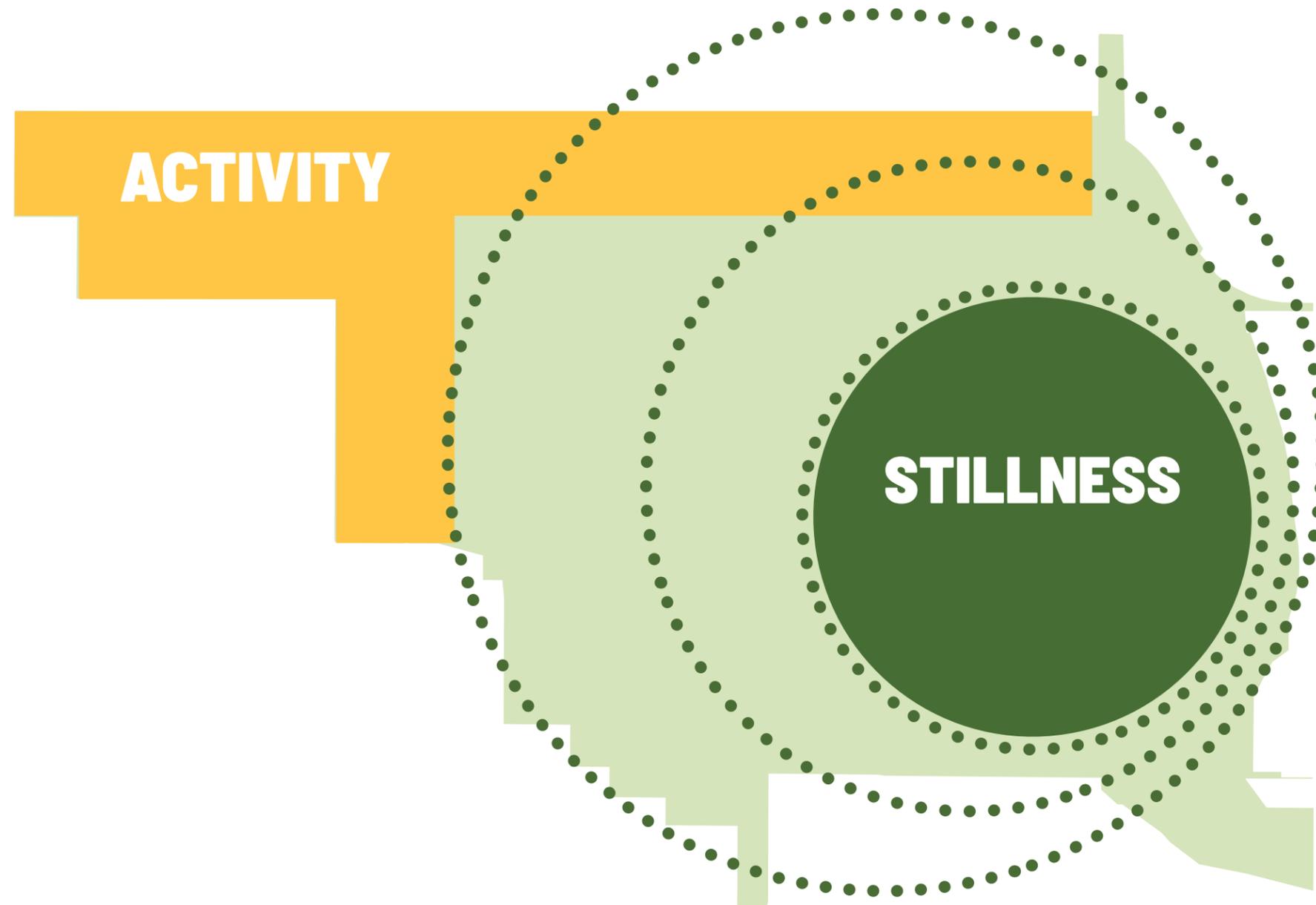
**PRIORITIZE MAINTENANCE**

An aerial rendering of a landscape, likely a park or urban development. The scene features a river flowing through a valley, with a dam structure visible in the foreground. The terrain is a mix of green grass, trees, and open fields. Several orange lines are overlaid on the landscape, tracing paths or boundaries across the terrain. The sky is a pale, hazy blue, and there are a few birds flying in the distance. The overall tone is bright and optimistic, suggesting a vision for a future, improved landscape.

# VISION PLAN

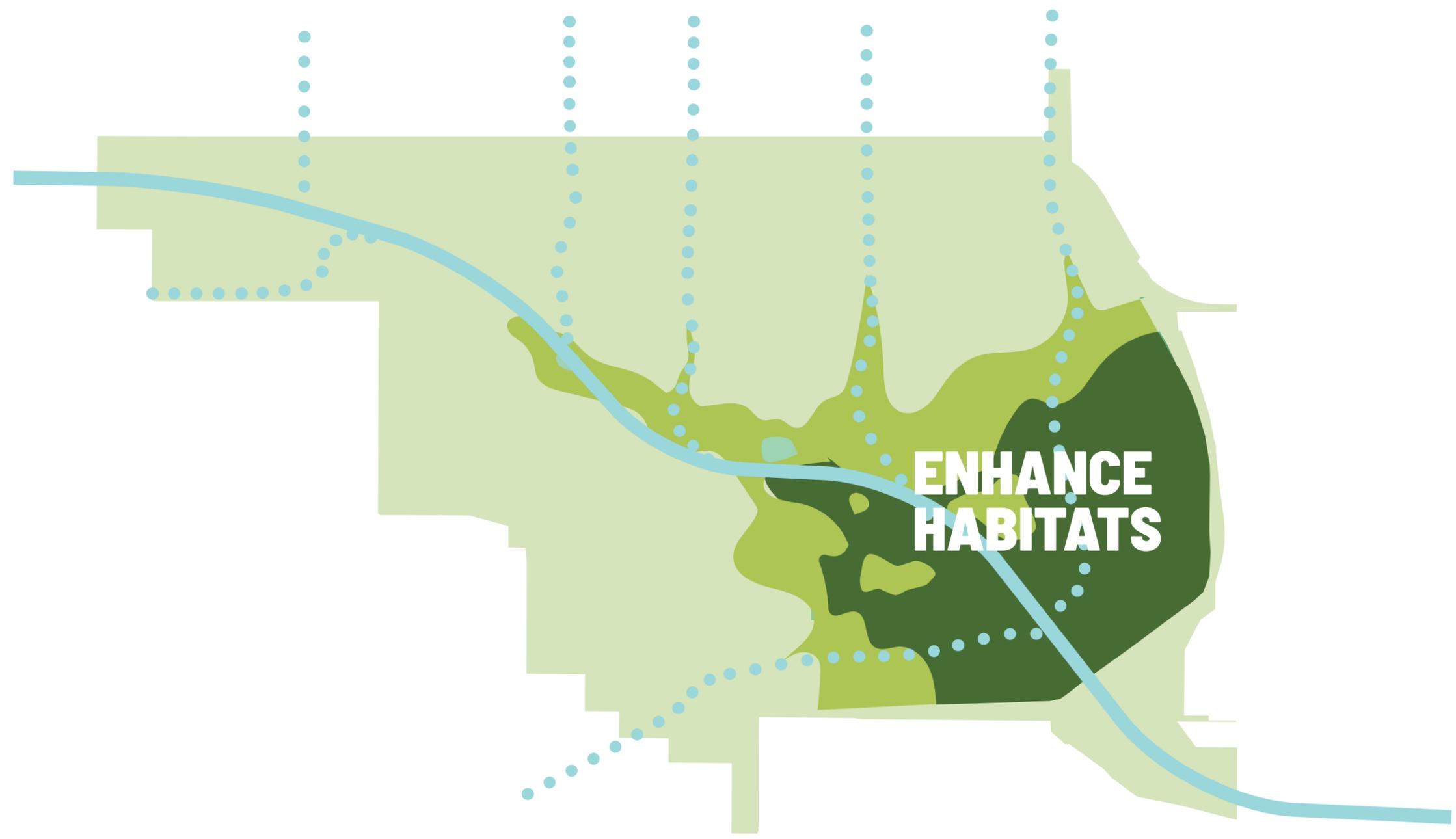
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# CREATE A GRADIENT OF STILLNESS FROM THE HEART OF THE BASIN

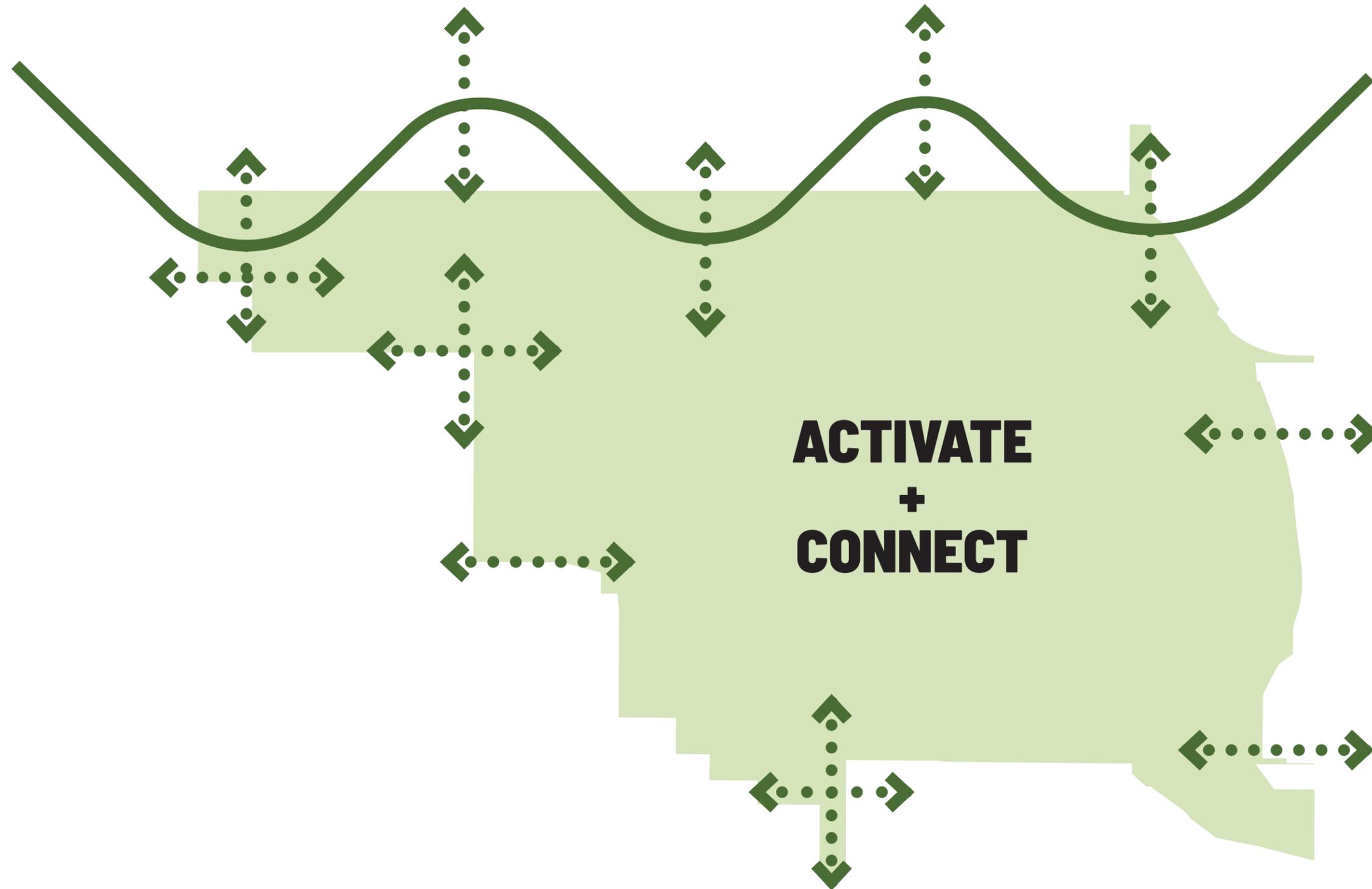


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# LET THE RIVER AND TRIBUTARIES BE FREE



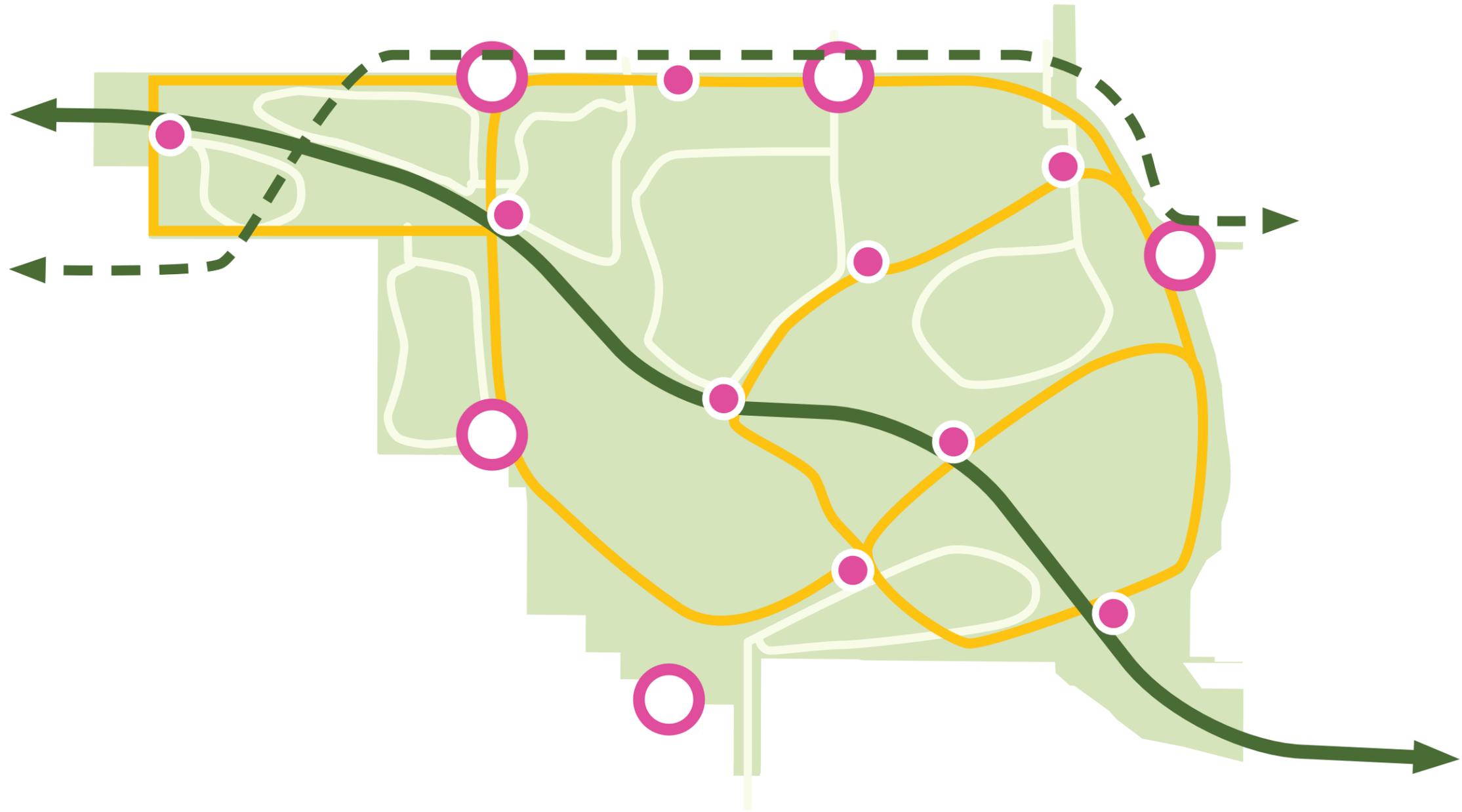
# BREAK DOWN THE BARRIER AND ACTIVATE THE EDGE



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**CONNECT INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE BASIN WITH CIRCULATION LOOPS, MOBILITY HUBS, AND GATEWAYS THAT PROVIDE CLEAR AND CONSISTENT WAYFINDING**

**CONNECT INTERNALLY**



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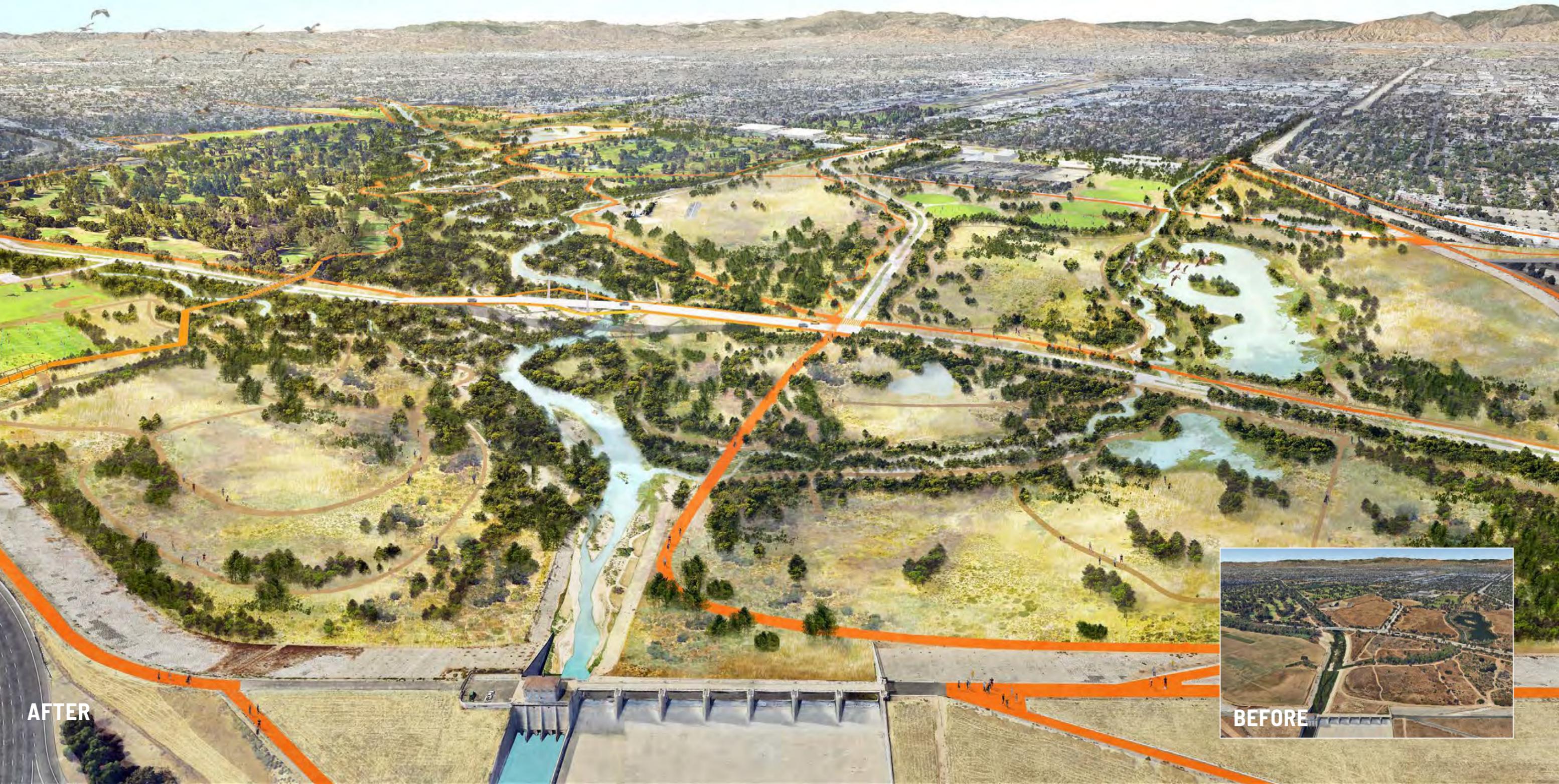


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AFTER



BEFORE

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# A NATURALIZED LA RIVER



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# IMPROVED RECREATION AND NEW AMENITIES



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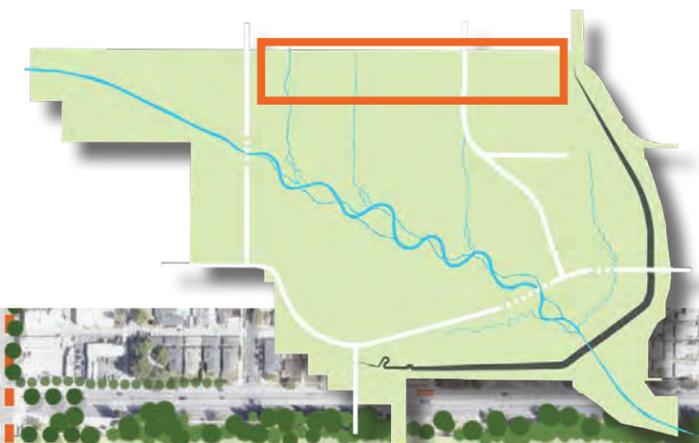
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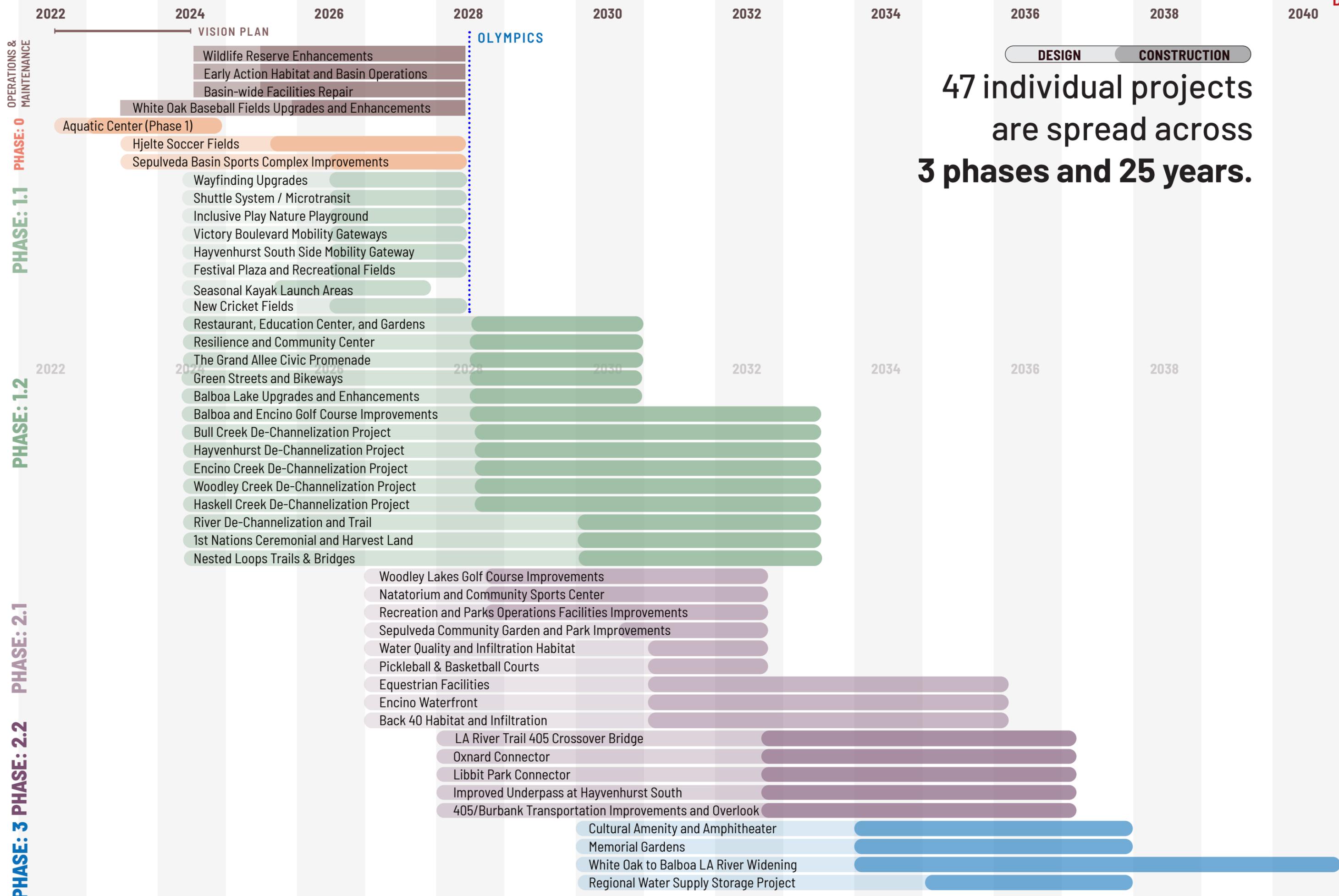
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## CIVIC PROMENADE





# IMPLEMENTATION, COST, AND SCHEDULE



A grid of 100 project fact sheets, each containing a map, project details, and a description. The projects include:

- WILDLIFE RESERVE ENHANCEMENTS**
- EARLY ACTON HABITAT AND BASH OPERATIONS**
- BASH-WIDE FACILITIES REPAIR**
- WHITE OAK BASEBALL FIELDS**
- AQUATIC CENTER (CURRENT PROJECT)**
- NAJETE SOCCER FIELDS (PROP K) (CURRENT PROJECT)**
- BALBOA SPORTS CENTER IMPROVEMENTS (CURRENT PROJECT)**
- WATERFRONT IMPROVEMENTS**
- BIFFEL SYSTEM/BIFFEL TRAIL**
- INCLUSIVE PLAY NATURE PLAYGROUND**
- VICTORY SQUARES HEALTHY GATEWAY**
- HAYVENHURST SOUTH RISE HEALTHY GATEWAY**
- FESTIVAL PLAZA AND RECREATIONAL FIELDS**
- HEATHMAN PARK LAUNCH ARCADE AND HOOP VIBRATOR**
- NEW CREEK FIELDS**
- RESTAURANT, EDUCATION CENTER, AND HARDEN**
- RESILIENCE AND COMMUNITY CENTER**
- "THE PRIMO ALLEY" CIVIC PARKWAY**
- GREEN STREETS AND BIKEWAY**
- BALBOA LAKE UPGRADE AND ENHANCEMENTS**
- BALBOA AND ENRIQUE GOLF COURSE CLUB HOUSE AND COURSE IMPROVEMENTS**
- BILL CREEK DECONTAMINATION PROJECT**
- HAYVENHURST DECONTAMINATION PROJECT**
- ESCHMO CREEK DECONTAMINATION PROJECT**
- WOOLLEY CREEK DECONTAMINATION PROJECT**
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- RIVER DECONTAMINATION AND TRAIL**
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- SEPULVEDA PARK CENTER**
- WATER QUALITY AND INFILTRATION HABITAT**
- PICKLEBALL AND BASKETBALL COURTS**
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- ESCHMO WATERFRONT**
- "BACK ALLEY" HABITAT AND INFILTRATION**
- LA RIVER TRAIL 405 CROSSOVER BRIDGE**
- OSWALD CONNECTOR TO SEPULVEDA METRO STATION**
- LIBERT PARK CONNECTOR**
- IMPROVED UNDERPASS AT HAYVENHURST SOUTH**
- 405/FURBANK TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS AND OVERLOOK**
- CULTURAL AGENCY AND APF THEATRE**
- MEMORIAL GARDENS**
- WHITE OAK TO BALBOA LA RIVER WIDENING**
- REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY STORAGE PROJECT**

Each project has a **Fact Sheet!**

## WILDLIFE RESERVE ENHANCEMENTS



Figure 261. Zones of enhancement around the Sepulveda Basin Wildlife Reserve.



Figure 262. Sepulveda Basin Wildlife Reserve site walk with the California Native Plant Society. Source: PSOMAS, 2023.

### ELEMENTS

- Phase:** O&M
- Type:** Ecological Enhancement; Water Quality Improvement
- Overall Size:** 70 Acres
- Building Gross S.F.:** N/A
- Features:** Improved overlook, fixed signage, general maintenance

### Project Description

This project will focus on enhancing and improving habitats and amenities throughout the Sepulveda Basin Wildlife Reserve. Overlooks, signage, trails, and other amenities will be renovated to improve access, wayfinding, and sense of place. New upland, riparian, and transitional habitat areas will be created to allow for diverse hydrological and ecological conditions.

Materiality in the reserve will remain primarily of natural materials including stone fines path systems, timber edging, wooden site furnishings with the potential for new decking or overlooks. Improvements must be done while intentionally protecting sensitive species and habitats that utilize the basin. Categories and typologies of improvements could include:

#### Safety and Rule Enforcement

- Permitting enforcement
- Parking enforcement
- Increased Park Ranger presence and monitoring

#### Mobility and access

- Additional viewing areas around the reserve lake
- Site amenities for rest

- Improved connections to the rest of the basin
  - Improved pathway system within the basin
- Maintenance and repairs**
- Erosion repair
  - Overlook improvements and repairs
  - Increased site furnishings
  - Ongoing invasive and non-native species control and remediation
  - Path resurfacing and improvement
  - Replace broken fencing
  - Habitat restoration
  - Lake management
  - Prescribed immersion projects for fire control

#### Wayfinding, Signage, Environmental Graphics

- Enforce the uniform use of place-names within and around the reserve
- Increase accessibility of signage to visually impaired individuals
- Increase language offerings of signage
- Utilize regulatory and warning signage to help increase visibility of rules and risks

## RIVER DECHANNELIZATION AND TRAIL

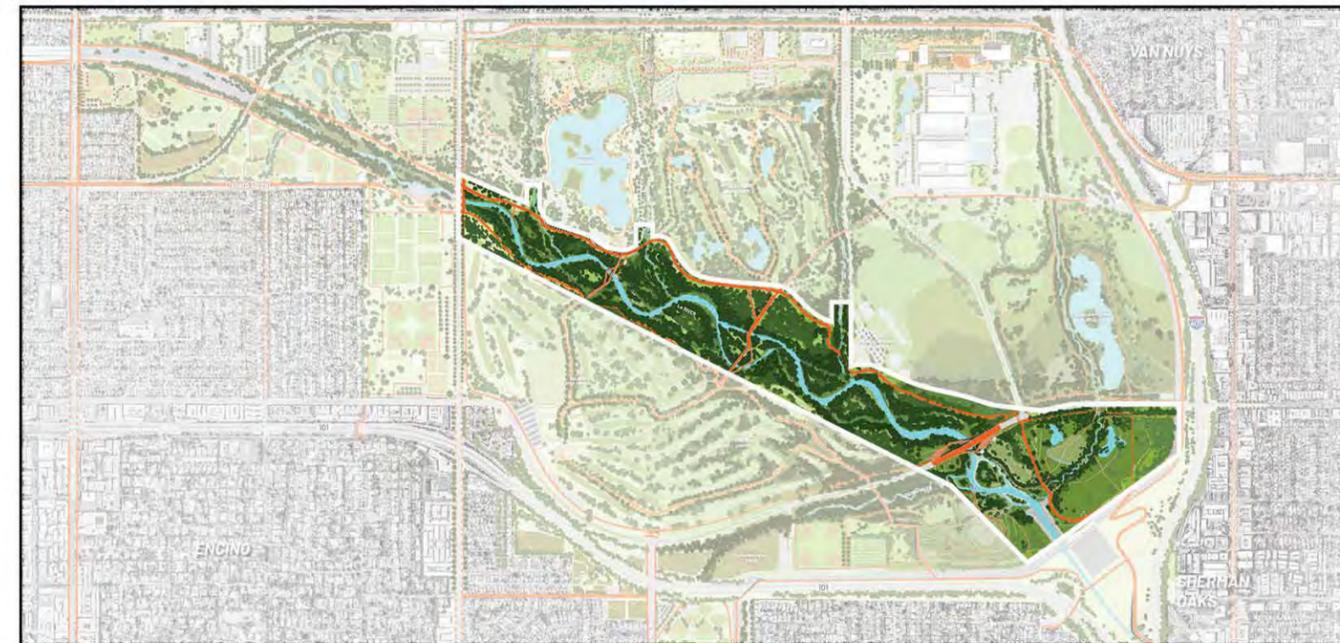


Figure 312. River De-Channelization and LA River Trail along Sepulveda Basin.

### ELEMENTS

- Phase:** 1.2
- Type:** Ecological and Hydrological Enhancement, Cultural and Recreational Amenities
- Overall Size:** 280 Acres
- Building Gross S.F.:** N/A
- Features:** Regrading of Riverbed, Lowland, Upland, and Transitional Habitat Restoration, LA River Trail and Bikeway on North Edge, Main Central Bridge, Burbank Bridge, Secondary Pedestrian Bridge, Shuttle Stops, Kayak Facilities, Pavilions

### Project Description

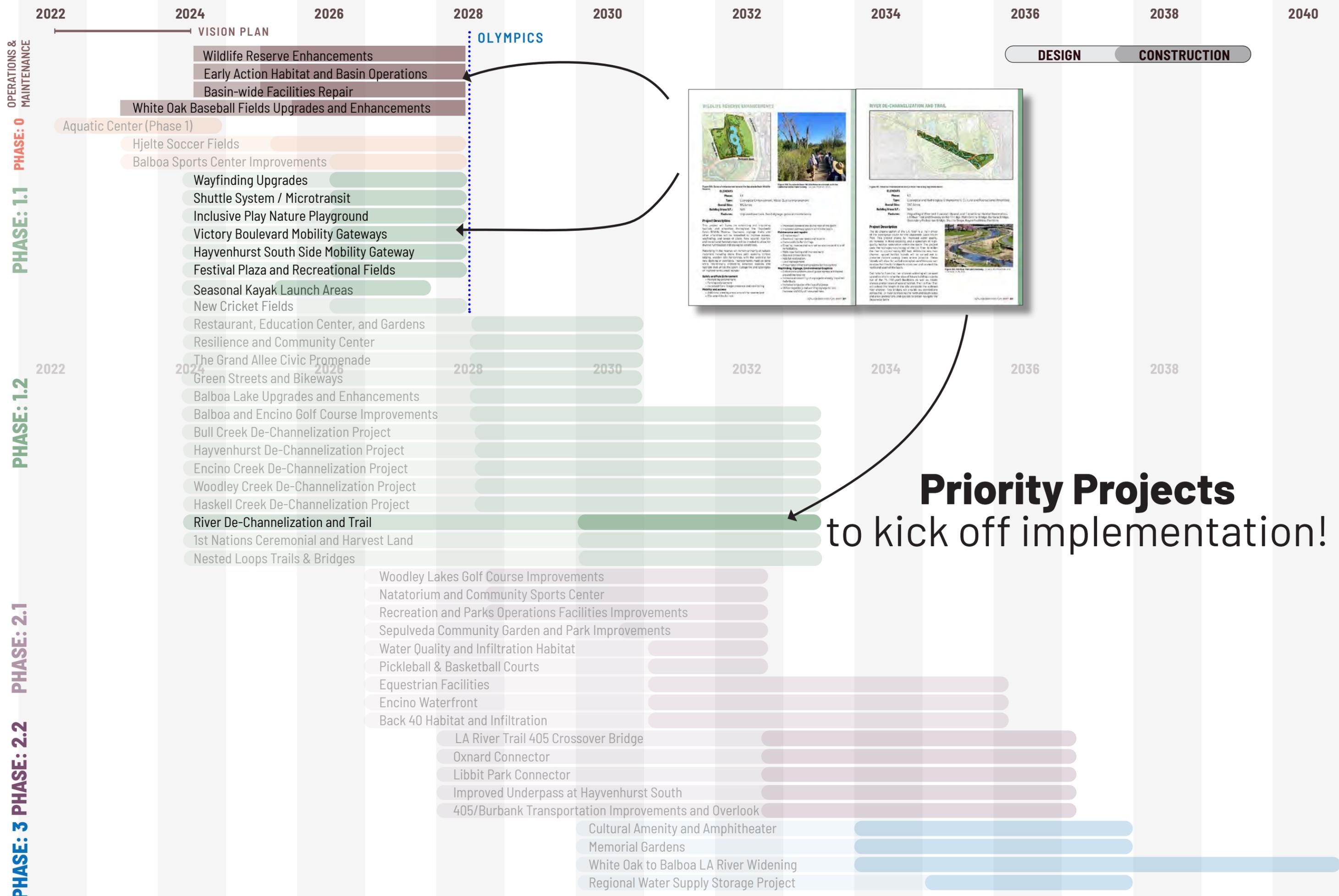
The dechannelization of the LA River is a main driver of the conceptual vision for the Sepulveda Basin Vision Plan. This project allows for improved water quality, an increase in flood capacity, and a spectrum of high-quality habitat restoration within the basin. The project proposes to widen the river's active channel zone to ~600- 800 feet. Within the widened river channel, upland habitat islands will be carved out to preserve mature canopy trees where possible. These islands will allow for varied ecological conditions as well as opportunities for bridges to cross over and connect the north and south of the basin.

While some soil export is expected, cut material from the river channel widening will be used upland on site to raise the sites of future building projects out of the 1% (100-year) floodplain as well as create shelves and terraces of upland habitat. The LA River Trail will extend the length of the site alongside the widened river channel. Two bridges will provide key connections across the LA River connecting the north and south sides and allow pedestrians and cyclists to better navigate the Sepulveda Basin.



Figure 313. Mill River Park and Greenway. Source: Mill River Park and Greenway, OLIN, 2013.

This project includes a river pavilion as well as a permanent kayak facility on the downstream end of the basin (for upstream end, see Encino Waterfront project).



**WILDLIFE RESERVE ENHANCEMENTS**

**Project Description:** This project will focus on enhancing and improving habitat and riparian resources in the Woodley Lake Wildlife Reserve. The project includes the installation of native plant species, riparian habitat, and the installation of riparian habitat structures to improve habitat quality and provide shade for riparian species. The project will also include the installation of riparian habitat structures to improve habitat quality and provide shade for riparian species.

**RIVER DE-CANNELIZATION AND TRAIL**

**Project Description:** The de-channelization of the LA River is a key element of the riparian restoration plan for the downtown Los Angeles area. This project will improve riparian habitat, increase flood resiliency, and provide a space for recreation. The project will include the installation of riparian habitat structures to improve habitat quality and provide shade for riparian species. The project will also include the installation of riparian habitat structures to improve habitat quality and provide shade for riparian species.

**Priority Projects**  
to kick off implementation!

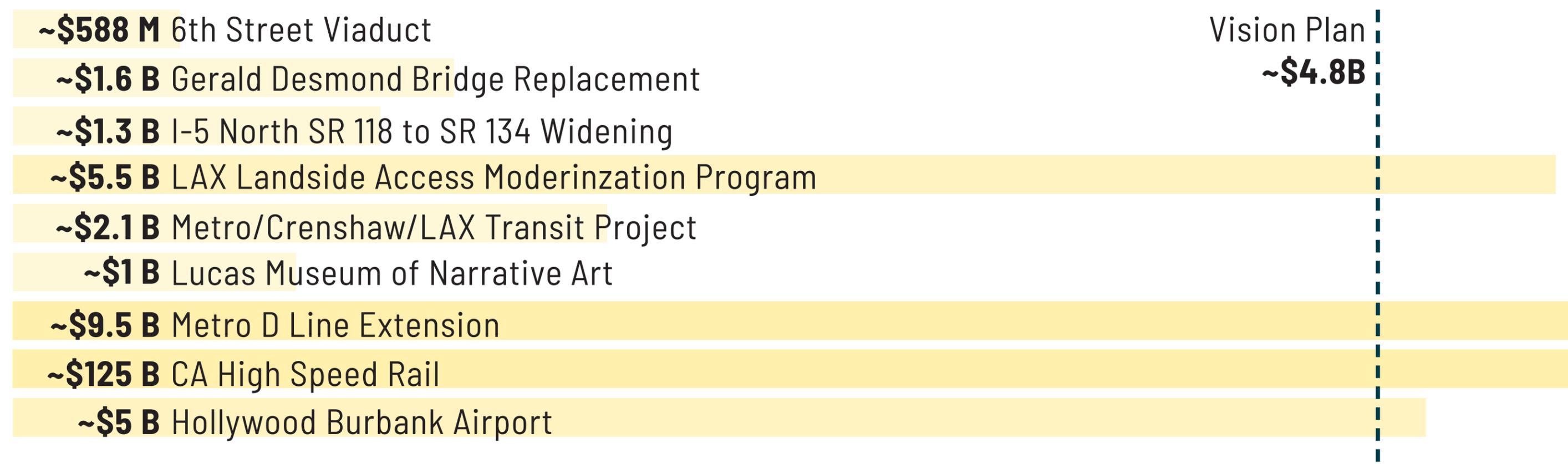
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# HIGH LEVEL COSTS COMPARED TO OTHER PROJECTS

COST BREAKDOWN BY VISION PLAN PHASE + COMPARISON TO OTHER LARGE LA REGIONAL PROJECTS



## \$4.8B of improvements for the Sepulveda Basin Vision Plan

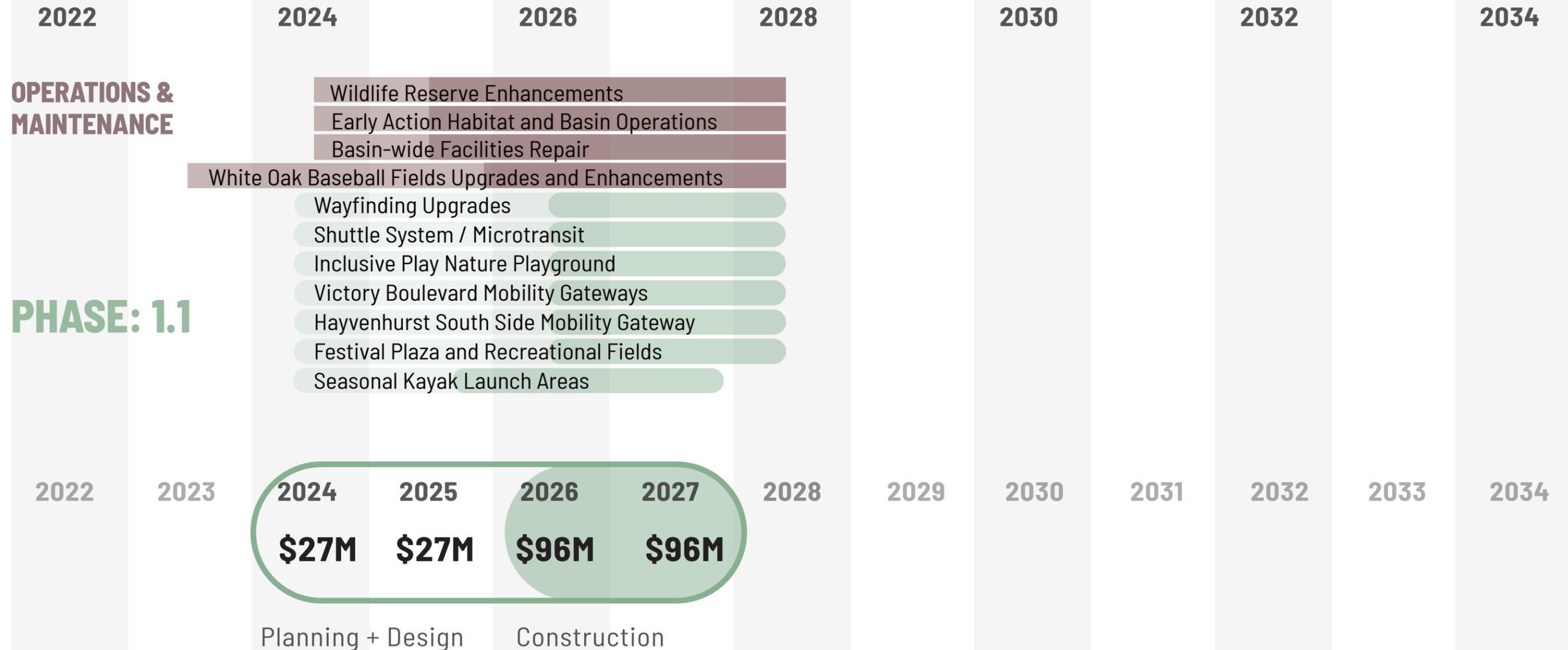


# FUNDING PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT DECADE

IF THE OLYPMIC PRIORITY PROJECTS WERE FUNDED IN THE NEXT DECADE, THIS TABLE SHOWS THE FUNDING AMOUNTS NEEDED ANNUALLY.

## Olympic Ready

Total Combined Costs: ~\$246M

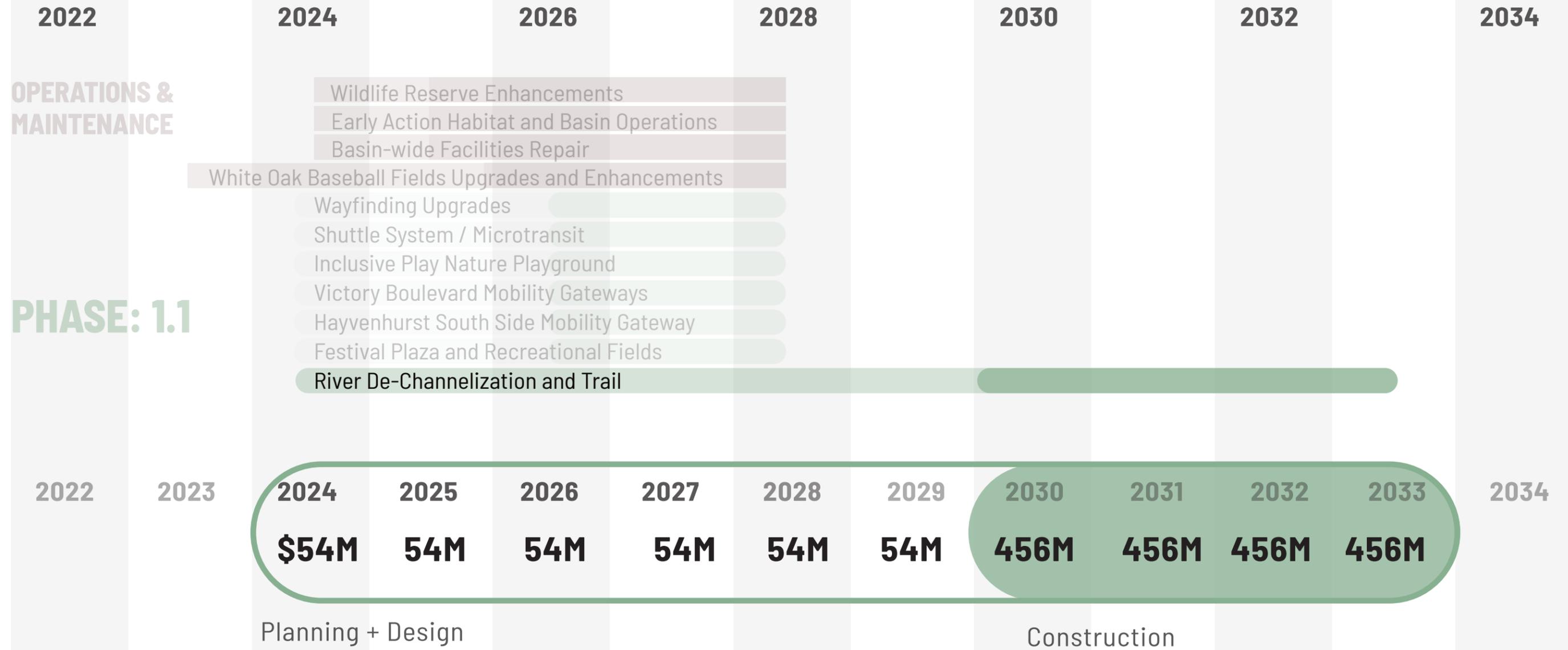


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IF THE RIVER DE-CANNELIZATION WAS FUNDED IN THE NEXT DECADE, THIS TABLE SHOWS THE FUNDING AMOUNTS NEEDED ANNUALLY.

## River De-Channelization

Total Combined Costs: ~\$2.1B



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**10-25% Increase in Capacity**  
To reduce flood risk for surrounding communities  
downstream of Sepulveda Dam



**Cultural Amenities**  
That increase arts and educational opportunities  
for the surrounding communities and the  
LA Region.



**New Trails**  
5+ Miles of new regional trails  
15+ Miles of new multi-use loop trails  
2+ Miles of kayak trails



**600+ Acres**  
Of Improved existing habitat



**450+ Acres**  
Of renaturalized LA River and tributaries

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