

**BALDWIN HILLS & URBAN WATERSHEDS CONSERVANCY
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

The Baldwin Hills and Urban Watersheds Conservancy (BH UWC) meeting will be held
Friday, May 12, 2023, from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Stoneview Nature Center Training Room
5950 Stoneview Drive, Culver City CA 90230

This meeting will be conducted in a hybrid format. To maximize public safety while maintaining transparency and public access, board members and members of the public can choose to participate either virtually via webinar, by telephone, or in person at the location listed above. Under Senate Bill 189, Section 20, a state agency may hold public meetings through teleconferencing, and an agency that allows members of the public to observe and address the meeting telephonically or otherwise electronically satisfies any requirement that the state body allow members of the public to attend the meeting and offer public comment. This is provision will remain in effect until July 1, 2023.

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10:00 AM - CALL TO ORDER – Dr. Nicole Lawson, Chair

MEETING AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA OR NON-AGENDA ITEMS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED BEFORE ROLL CALL

Public Comment and Time Limits: *Members of the public can make comments in advance by emailing tiffany.jones@bhc.ca.gov or during the meeting by following the moderator's directions on how to indicate their interest in speaking. Public comment will be taken prior to action on agenda items and at the end of the meeting for non-agenda items. **Individuals wishing to comment will be allowed up to three minutes to speak. Speaking times may be reduced depending upon the number of speakers.***

1. Roll Call – Baldwin Hills & Urban Watershed Conservancy (BH UWC) Staff
2. Approval of Minutes (March) – Dr. Nicole Lawson, Chair
3. Public Comments on Agenda Items – Dr. Nicole Lawson, Chair
4. Oath of Office for newly appointed Board Members and Designees – Leena Sheet, Deputy Attorney General

5. Consideration of Resolution 23-03 authorizing a grant of BH UWC Climate Resilience, Wildfire Prevention, Community Access, Nature Based Solutions and Natural Resource Protection Funds, in an amount not to exceed \$500,000, to the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation for the PNA + Watershed Implementation Plan Project – David McNeill, Executive Officer
6. Update on the Baldwin Hills Community Standards District (CSD) Amendment for the Inglewood Oil Field – Edgar De La Torre, Senior Planner, LA County Department of Regional Planning
7. LA County Westside Area Plan Update – Julie Yom, Principal Planner, Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning
8. Executive Officer Report: Legislative, Operations, Project Status and Fiscal updates – BH UWC Staff Representatives
9. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items
10. Board Member Announcements or Proposed Agenda Items for Future Meetings

Pursuant to Government Code Section 11126, the Conservancy may hold a closed session to discuss and take possible action regarding instructions on real estate negotiations, on personnel matters and/or to receive advice of counsel on pending or potential litigation, among other permissible subjects. Confidential memoranda related to these issues may be considered during such closed session discussions.

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for **August 4, 2023.*

ADJOURNMENT

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, if you require a disability related modification or accommodations to attend or participate in this meeting, including auxiliary aids or services, please call the Conservancy at 310 202-3010 at least five days prior to the meeting. For more information about the Conservancy, you may visit our website at www.bhc.ca.gov

**PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
BALDWIN HILLS CONSERVANCY**

The in-person meeting of the Baldwin Hills Conservancy (BHC) will be held Friday, March 17, 2023, from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM.

Stoneview Nature Center Training Room
5950 Stoneview Drive, Culver City CA 90230

10:00 a.m. Call to Order - A public meeting of the Baldwin Hills Conservancy (BHC) was assembled at 10:02 a.m. on Friday, March 17, 2023, via a hybrid format.

I. Roll Call – David McNeill, BHC Staff

Members Present: Armando Abrego, Matt Almy, Sabrina Barnes, Alina Bokde, Samantha Bricker, Francisca Castillo, Megan Cooper, Jacquelyn Dupont-Walker, Aura Garcia, Peter Garcia, Dr. Yolanda Gorman, Lori Harrod, Robert L. Jones, Jimmy Kim, Dr. Nicole Lawson, Keith Lilley, Katrina Manning, Laura Muraida, Brian Newman-Lindsey, Sara Rascon, Victoria Simon, Keisha Sexton, Dr. Raissa White.

Staff Present: David McNeill, Executive Officer; Gail Krippner, Grant Program Manager; Tiffany Jones, Project Manager; Daniel Hernandez, Project Manager; Davette Butler, Project Manager; Lena Sheet, Deputy Attorney General.

II. Approval of Minutes (December) – Megan Cooper, Chair

Member Dupont-Walker provided a motion to approve the minutes. Member Lawson seconded the motion. Executive Director McNeill conducted a roll call vote. With a vote of all ayes, the minutes were approved.

III. Public Comments – Megan Cooper, Chair

There was one public comment regarding item #6 of the agenda, requesting a feasibility study on the Ballona Creek bike path extension. The caller stated that the area is in a neighborhood and asked that the local community be taken into consideration and consulted when approving and conducting the study. Member Dupont- Walker thanked the speaker and asked staff how the Conservancy can further reach out to the local community.

IV. Oath of Office for newly appointed Board Members and Designees – Leena Sheet, Deputy Attorney General

Leena Sheet., Deputy Attorney General, conducted the swearing-in of Brian Newman-Lindsey, Sabrina Barnes, Jimmy Kim, Samantha Bricker, Nicole Lawson, Laura Muraida, Francisca Castillo, Lori Harrod, Keith Lilley, and Katrina Manning.

V. Election of Board Officers Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 32558 of the Baldwin Hills Conservancy Act – Megan Cooper

The Chair recognized that the nominating committee identified Sarah Rascon representing the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy as the nominee for Vice-Chair. She then called for any other nominations. There being no more nominations, Executive Officer McNeill conducted a roll call vote. With all ayes, Sarah Rascon was elected as the new Vice-Chair for 2023.

VI. Consideration of Resolution 23-01 authorizing a grant of BH UWC Climate Resilience, Wildfire Prevention, Community Access, and Natural Resource Protection Funds, in an amount not to exceed \$150,000, to California YIMBY Education Fund c/o Streets for All for the Ballona Creek Bike Path Extension – Daniel Hernandez, Project Manager

Project manager Daniel Hernandez presented how the project will complete a comprehensive feasibility study that will examine and assess the extension of the Ballona Creek bike path. It will include studying from its current terminus, at the Syd Kronenthal Park in Culver City, to the end of the Ballona Creek at the intersection of Venice Blvd and Cochran Ave. A final feasibility study report will be generated to inform and guide the implementation of a multi-use trail extension design project that would connect communities, increase access to the Ballona Creek bike path, and help reduce vehicle miles traveled.

Member Newman-Lindsey stated that he has done similar projects and this project should be approached by actively engaging the community and a commitment to equity.

Member Dupont-Walker provided a motion and Member Jones seconded the motion. Executive Officer McNeill conducted a roll call vote. With a vote of all ayes, the motion passed.

VII. Consideration of a Resolution 23-02 adopting the Draft BH UWC Tribal Policy – Tiffany Jones - Project Manager

Project Manager Tiffany Jones presented a draft of the Conservancy's tribal policy. The purpose of this policy is to ensure effective government-to-government consultation between the Conservancy and tribes and tribal communities regarding the development of policies, programs, projects, plans, property decisions, and activities (collectively, "activities") that may affect tribal communities. The goal is to promote discussion and consideration of the views of tribes and tribal communities in an effort to resolve the concerns of as many parties as possible.

Vice-Chair Rascon mentioned that she helped draft the Tribal Consultation Policy for the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and suggested communication and introduction to local leaders to follow up on the new policy. She also had a question about any plan to vet the policy with the local tribes. Executive Officer McNeill responded the policy was not new, and it had been culled from other state agencies that previously circulated the language extensively with

local tribes. He also mentioned that the role of the tribal liaison is to interact and disseminate the Conservancy's information to the local tribes. Member Newman-Lindsey recommended Alex Vance, the tribal liaison for the Sierra Nevada Conservancy as a resource for the future.

Member White provided a motion and Member Gorman seconded the motion. Executive Director McNeill conducted a roll call vote. With a vote of all ayes, the motion passed.

VIII. Executive Officer Report: Legislative, Operations, Project Status, and Fiscal updates – BHC Staff Representatives

Grant Manager Gail Krippner gave project status updates. The HoneyLove apiary has moved from Stoneview Nature Center to Kenneth Hahn with an increase in the timeline. The DTSC project for Environmental Oversight agreement is being rescinded and a new agreement created due to funding considerations. The Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation Green Valley Connection Improvement project is currently being amended for minor scope of work changes. The Five Points Restoration Project by NorthEast Trees is nearing the end of non-native species removal and continuing outreach schedule.

KDI completed the amendment for a 12-month term expansion and restarted their Mar Vista Community Greening advisory meetings. Tree People's grant for the Baldwin Hills Reservoir Revitalization and Restoration plan is conducting outreach through restoration events and community meetings. The outreach schedule was finalized, and the first meeting was held at the end of February. Climate Resolve's Community Resilience and Access plan is complete with the project final report posted on the Conservancy website. Executive Officer McNeill went with the Climate Resolve team to their summit where their project was presented.

Executive Officer McNeill introduced the Conservancy's new hires, Danial Hernandez and Davette Butler, who started in January and February, respectively. He discussed project status reports for the local assistance, the Capital Outlay Project Status Report, and the expenditures sheet.

IX. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

There were no public comments.

X. Board Member Announcements or Proposed Agenda Items for Future Meetings

Members Dupont-Walker and White congratulated the new chair and welcomed the new members.

XI. Closed session: Discussion and possible action regarding pending and/or potential litigation: Public Access and Non-Discriminatory Practices related to Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area. Government Code § 11126(e)(2)(B)

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A closed session conference was held via TEAMS. No action was taken during the closed session.

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for **May 12, 2023.*

ADJOURNMENT

There being no more business brought before the board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:40 a.m.

Approved:

Dr. Nicole Lawson, Chair

Date

BALDWIN HILLS & URBAN WATERSHEDS CONSERVANCY

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Memorandum

To: Governing Board

Fr: David McNeill, Executive Officer

Date: May 12, 2023

Re: Item #4: Oath of Office for Newly Appointed Board Members and Designees

Background: Section 3 of Article XX of the Constitution of California states that all State board or commission appointees shall take and subscribe to the oath or affirmation set forth therein before entering the duties of the office.

Deputy Attorney General, Leena Sheet will administer the oath (see Attachment #1) to new appointees, designees and reappointed members of the BH UWC. Copies will be sent for execution via DocuSign for members to file with their respective appointing departments.



OATH

For the Office of the

BALDWIN HILLS & URBAN WATERSHEDS

CONSERVANCY BOARD

I, _____, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties upon which I am about to enter.

Signature: _____

Term Expires: *N/A*

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this day May 12, 2023

Signature:

Title: Deputy Attorney General

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Memorandum

To: Governing Board

From: David McNeill, Executive Officer

Date: May 12, 2023

Re: Item # 5: Consideration of Resolution 23-03 authorizing a grant of BH UWC Climate Resilience, Wildfire Prevention, Community Access, Nature Based Solutions and Natural Resource Protection Funds, in an amount not to exceed \$500,000, to the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation for the PNA + Watershed Implementation Plan Project– David McNeill, Executive Officer

Recommendation: Approve Resolution 23-03, authorizing a grant of BH UWC Climate Resilience, Wildfire Prevention, Community Access, Nature Based Solutions and Natural Resource Protection Funds, in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 to the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation for the PNA + Watershed Implementation Plan Project.

Background:

The Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) has applied for a \$500,000 grant from the Conservancy's Climate Resilience, Wildfire Prevention, Community Access, Nature Based Solutions and Natural Resource Protection Funds for the **PNA + Watershed Implementation Plan Project**. See *Attachment #1, Grant Application*. DPR will provide a match of \$125,000 for the Project. This funding will be used for advocacy work to strengthen the conservation and restoration goals in LA County.

Through an extensive and methodical outreach process, DPR completed the 2016 Parks Needs Assessment (PNA) in 2016. The PNA was adopted by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (BOS) in July 2016. The DPR advanced the 2016 PNA and developed the **2022 Parks Needs Assessment Plus (PNA+)**. The BOS unanimously adopted the 2022 PNA+ Final Report as Los Angeles County's 30x30 Plan in December 2022.

The implementation of the PNA+ Final Report includes the development of a Park Acquisition, Park Development and Strategic Communications Toolkit for regional conservation and restoration of degraded lands, focusing on the identified priority areas across Los Angeles County, including the municipalities and communities within the recently expanded 70 square-mile boundaries of the Conservancy.

Priority areas for environmental conservation are those that offer the most environmental benefits as measured by species diversity, significant habitat, habitat connectivity, proximity to a waterbody, and habitat type. Priority areas for environmental restoration are those that have the most environmental burdens with respect to groundwater threat, hazardous waste, poor air and water quality, and pollution burden. Examples are oil fields, brownfields, landfills, and other degraded lands which may be converted to parks and open space in the future, including opportunities within the areas served by the Conservancy. Focusing on these priority areas ensures an equity and data-driven approach that achieves climate resiliency and environmental benefits, restores and protects regional ecosystems and watersheds, and targets the most vulnerable environmentally burdened and under-resourced communities.

The proposed scope is consistent with the key grant funding goals and deliverables listed below.

- a) The Project addresses the Conservancy's Program objectives by creating a plan to:
 - Acquire and restore lands that are at risk;
 - Engage local communities and other partners as it relates to long-term stewardship and climate change awareness;

- b) Develop parks and greenways to mitigate climate change effects and promote public health and recreation;
 - Leverage partnerships and resources; and,
 - Protect, restore water resources including urban waterways.

- c) The Project meets the State's Climate Resiliency by completing a plan to:
 - Strengthen protections for climate vulnerable communities;
 - Bolster public health and safety to protect against increasing climate risks; and
 - Partner and collaborate to leverage resources.

- d) Consistent with the Conservancy's mission to acquire open space, manage public lands within its territory, and to provide recreation, restoration and protection of wildlife habitat for the public's enjoyment and educational experience, the Project will help fight climate change, advance conservation, and protect biodiversity.

- e) Work products the Project will complete are as follows:
 - Park Acquisition Toolkit;
 - Park Development Toolkit;
 - Strategic Communications Toolkit;
 - GIS Analyses and Maps; and
 - Final Report.

If the Grant is approved, work on this project is estimated to begin June 2023 and be completed in December 2025.

BALDWIN HILLS & URBAN WATERSHEDS CONSERVANCY (BH UWC)

RESOLUTION 23-03

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO ENTER INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$500,000 OF BH UWC CLIMATE RESILIENCE, WILDFIRE PREVENTION, COMMUNITY ACCESS, NATURE BASED SOLUTIONS AND NATURAL RESOURCE PROTECTION FUND FOR THE PNA + WATERSHED IMPLEMENTATION PLAN PROJECT.

WHEREAS the BH UWC 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, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section PRC 32555 (c) The Conservancy shall provide for the public's enjoyment, and enhance the recreational and educational experience on public lands in the territory in a manner consistent with the protection of lands and resources in the area; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section PRC 32565.5 (a) The Conservancy shall develop and coordinate an integrated program of resource stewardship so that the entire territory is managed for optimum recreational and natural resource values based upon the needs and desires of the surrounding community; and

WHEREAS, the BH UWC has the authority, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 32569 (a), to make grants to local, public and state agencies to further the purposes of the Conservancy; and

WHEREAS, LA County Department of Parks and Recreation is the primary managing entity for implementing the Park Needs Assessment Plus Final Report approved by the County Board of Supervisors to guide strategic land acquisition and park improvements over the next seven years; and

WHEREAS, LA County Department of Parks and Recreation has submitted an application for Conservancy's Climate Resilience, Wildfire Prevention, Community Access, Nature Based Solutions and Natural Resource Protection Fund to develop a Park Acquisition, Park Development and Strategic Communications Toolkit for the recently expanded Conservancy territory; and

WHEREAS, the Climate Resilience, Wildfire Prevention, Community Access, Nature Based Solutions and Natural Resource Protection Funds are available to plan, develop and implement climate resilient, multi-benefit projects and nature-based solutions that provide access to vulnerable communities; NOW

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THE BH UWC GOVERNING BOARD:

1. AUTHORIZES THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO ENTER INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE LA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$500,000 OF CONSERVANCY CLIMATE RESILIENCE, WILDFIRE PREVENTION, COMMUNITY ACCESS, NATURE BASED SOLUTIONS AND NATURAL RESOURCE PROTECTION FUND FOR THE PARK NEEDS ASSESSMENT PLUS IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.
2. ADOPTS THE STAFF REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS DATED MAY 12, 2023 FOR THIS ITEM.
3. APPOINTS THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AS AGENT TO CONDUCT ALL NEGOTIATIONS, EXECUTE AND SUBMIT ALL DOCUMENTS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO AGREEMENTS, PAYMENT REQUESTS, AND CERTIFICATIONS WHICH MAY BE NECESSARY FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE AFOREMENTIONED PROJECT(S).

Passed and Adopted by the Board of the
BALDWIN HILLS & URBAN WATERSHEDS CONSERVANCY

on _____, 2023

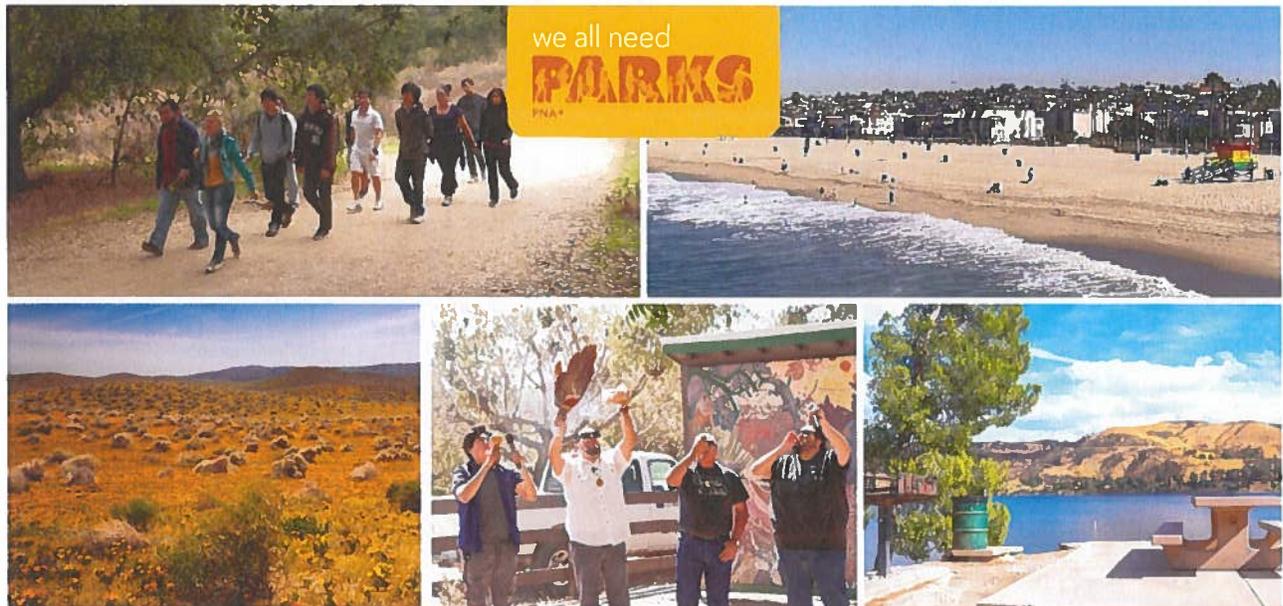
Dr. Nicole Lawson
Chair

ATTEST: _____
Leena Sheet
Deputy Attorney General



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

PARKS NEEDS ASSESSMENT PLUS (PNA+) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN



GRANT PROPOSAL

Climate Resilience, Wildfire Prevention, Community Access,
and Natural Resource Protection Fund of 2021-2022
Baldwin Hills and Urban Watersheds Conservancy
MAY 1, 2023





COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

PARKS NEEDS ASSESSMENT PLUS (PNA+) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

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**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF
LOS ANGELES TO APPLY FOR AND EXECUTE GRANTS FROM THE STATE OF
CALIFORNIA FOR PARK RELATED PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS EFFECTIVE
FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS FROM DATE OF ADOPTION**

WHEREAS, the State of California offers grants to support park and recreational projects and programs for the benefit of jurisdictions within the State and has delegated the responsibility for administration of these grants to different State agencies, including but not limited to, the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, Office of Traffic Safety, California Coastal Commission, California Department of Housing and Community Development, California State Parks, State Coastal Conservancy, Department of Conservation, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of Public Health, Department of Water Resources, Department of Parks and Recreation, Natural Resources Agency, Environmental Protection Agency, Air Resources Board, Baldwin Hills Conservancy, Department of Fish and Wildlife, California Water Commission, California Energy Commission, Department of Transportation, California Transportation Commission, Ocean Protection Council, Office of Grants and Local Services, San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy, Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission, State Water Resources Control Board, California Strategic Growth Council, and Wildlife Conservation Board; and

WHEREAS, State agencies established procedures governing the application and grant management process for jurisdictions for the grants; and

WHEREAS, State agencies require a resolution from a jurisdiction authorizing application for grants and execution of grant-related documents; and

WHEREAS, State agencies require a resolution from a jurisdiction authorizing it to act as the lead agency on behalf of itself and its participating jurisdictions in partnerships for regional grant projects.

WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles (County) through its Department of Parks and Recreation (Department) desires to utilize State grants and is seeking a resolution from the County's Board of Supervisors to satisfy the State agencies requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County hereby:

1. Authorizes the submittal of grant applications to State agencies by the Department County through the Department for park and recreational projects and programs.
2. If applicable, certifies that Department understands the assurances and certification(s) in the applications.
3. Certifies that Department will have sufficient funds to operate and maintain the project or will secure the resources to do so.

4. If applicable, certifies that the project will comply with any laws and regulations, including but not limited to, legal requirements for building codes, health and safety codes, disabled access laws, and environmental laws; and that prior to commencement of construction, all applicable permits will have been obtained.
5. Certifies that the Department will work toward the Governor's State Planning Priorities intended to promote equity, strengthen the economy, protect the environment, and promote public health and safety.
6. If applicable, certifies that the Department will expend grant funds within the designated time frame.
7. If applicable, certifies that the Department has reviewed, understands, and agrees to the general provisions contained in the sample contract provided.
8. Authorizes and empowers the Director of the Department or his designee to execute all necessary applications, contracts, agreements, reports, and amendments thereto, and payment requests for the purposes of securing grants from the State.
9. Certifies that the resolution is effective for five years from the date of adoption.

The foregoing resolution was adopted on the 11th day of June, 2019, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles acting as the governing body of the Department of Parks and Recreation.



CELIA ZAVALA
Executive Officer-Clerk of
the Board of Supervisors of
the County of Los Angeles

By *Mona Chiswick*
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

MARY C. WICKHAM
County Counsel

By *Casey Youn*
Casey Youn
Senior Deputy County Counsel

Ayes: Supervisors Scis, Ridley-Thornes, Kuehl, Barger and Hahn

Noes: NONE

Absent: NONE

APPLICATION FOR BHC GRANT FUNDS

Climate Resilience, Wildfire Prevention, Community Access, and
Natural Resource Protection Fund of 2021-2022

Application Checklist. All applications must be provided in 12-point font. The grant application must include the following:

		INCLUDED
1.	Resolution from Governing Body authorizing application for local assistance.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2.	A completed Application Checklist.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.	A completed grant application form.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4.	A detailed scope of work, including a list of specific tasks, a detailed budget, and a timeline for project implementation (including an estimated completion date for each task).	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5.	Any preliminary project plans (i.e. drawings, conceptual or construction) as required.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6.	A completed payee data record (STD. 204) See Payee Data Form (STD. 204) on BHC website.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Applications may be submitted electronically or via U.S. Mail.

Electronic: Send one PDF file (10 MB maximum size) to info@bhc.ca.gov. If you are unable to e-mail your application, you may mail or deliver the electronic files on a CD or other common file storage device.

U.S. Mail: The printed documents to
Baldwin Hills Conservancy
Attn: Grant Program Manager
4859 West Slauson Ave. # 364
Los Angeles, CA 90056.

**State of California — Natural Resources
Agency BALDWIN HILLS
CONSERVANCY**

GRANT APPLICATION FORM

PROJECT NAME		GRANT AMOUNT REQUESTED	
PARKS NEEDS ASSESSMENT PLUS (PNA+) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN		\$500,000	
APPLICANT (Org. Name and Address)		TOTAL PROJECT AMOUNT	
LACO DEPT OF PARKS AND RECREATION 1000 S. FREMONT, UNIT 40, 2 ND FLR ALHAMBRA, CA 91803		\$625,000	
APPLICANT'S AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE (Name, Title, Phone)			
JILL SOURIAL DEPUTY DIRECTOR, PND (626)588-5322			
PROJECT ADDRESS (Including Cross-Street)			
COUNTYWIDE, INCLUDING AREAS WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE BALDWIN HILLS and URBAN WATERSHEDS CONSERVANCY			
COUNTY		SENATE DISTRICT	ASSEMBLY DISTRICT
LOS ANGELES		District 30 Sydney Kamlager-Dove State Senator	District 54 Isaac Bryan Assemblymember
PERSON W/ DAY-TO-DAY RESPONSIBILY FOR PROJECT (Name, Title, E-mail, Phone)			
LUVA ROBINSON, GRANTS MANAGER LROBINSON@PARKS.LACOUNTY.GOV, 626-588-5246			
BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT			
COUNTYWIDE PNA+ IMPLEMENTATION PLAN WHICH INCLUDES:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parcel level analysis for Opportunity Areas; • Land Acquisition and Park Development Toolbox; • Collaboration with Conservancies and Municipalities on a Regional Vision for LA County; and • Strategic Communications Toolkit 			

<i>I certify that the information contained in this project application form, including required attachments, is accurate.</i>	
NAME: <i>Jill Sourial</i>	

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

1. Need and urgency for the project

Every Los Angeles County resident in every neighborhood deserves safe and accessible parks, but not all communities have access to open space, recreation facilities, trails, and gardens which are essential community infrastructure. To identify and address park needs through an equity lens, the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) has engaged in groundbreaking community-based and data-driven initiatives involving extensive data collection and analyses, geospatial analysis and mapping using geographic information system (GIS), coordination with park and trail managing agencies, and public outreach and engagement in partnership with community-based organizations as follows:

2016 Parks Needs Assessment (PNA)

The PNA was adopted by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (BOS) in July 2016 and comprehensively analyzes and quantifies the need for parks and recreation facilities in cities and unincorporated areas. The PNA directly informed the development of Measure A which was approved by nearly 75% of voters in November 2016 and resulted in dedicated funding for Very High and High park need study areas. Since its adoption, the PNA has been invaluable in advancing park equity and a guiding resource allocation and decision-making for parks and recreation across the County.

2022 Parks Needs Assessment Plus (PNA+)

A growing number of leaders at all levels of government in the U.S. and abroad have made commitments to achieve “30x30,” the goal of conserving 30 percent of lands and coastal waters by the year 2030 to fight climate change, advance conservation, and protect biodiversity. Aligning with and expanding on these efforts, the BOS unanimously adopted the 2022 PNA+ Final Report as **Los Angeles County’s 30x30 Plan** on December 6, 2022.

The PNA+ builds upon and supplements the 2016 PNA with data, mapping, analyses and recommendations to address land conservation and restoration, as well as regional and rural recreation needs. Specifically, the PNA+ identifies priority areas for environmental conservation and restoration, and reimagines conservation to include both traditional efforts that involve the acquisition and protection of natural lands as well as the restoration of degraded lands, such as brownfields, landfills, and oil fields, especially in lower income communities of color where vulnerable populations and environmental burdens are concentrated. People of color account for 84% of the population living in priority areas for restoration, i.e., those areas with highest environmental burdens. The PNA+ also identifies priority areas for regional recreation and rural recreation using various indicators of population vulnerability.

CALL TO ACTION: PNA+ IMPLEMENTATION

DPR is committed to addressing the significant park and recreation needs documented in the 2016 PNA and the 2022 PNA+ in ways that produce tangible results, provide multiple benefits, and improve the quality of life for Los Angeles County residents. Due to the scale and extent of this regional and environmental need, the PNA+ is a necessary call to action for DPR and

our many partners in land conservation, management and stewardship to come together to urgently and intentionally address the needs of the over ten million people who call L.A. County home, especially our most vulnerable residents.

The proposed PNA+ Implementation planning project will enable L.A. County to achieve 30x30 goals for land conservation and restoration, leverage and build on the robust community input and research completed to date in the DPR-led PNA and PNA+ initiatives and implement the recommendations of the PNA+ Final Report. The work will both catalyze urgent action on climate goals through regional collaboration, as well as effect generational change and sustained impact through community capacity-building and advocacy for reshaping legislation, policies and funding opportunities for conservation and restoration.

THE PROJECT: PNA+ IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

DPR proposes the countywide **PNA+ Implementation Plan Project (Project)** to develop an actionable Plan and Toolkit for regional conservation and restoration of degraded lands, focusing on the PNA+ Final Report’s identified priority areas across Los Angeles County, including areas within the recently expanded boundaries of the Baldwin Hills and Urban Watersheds Conservancy (Conservancy).

Priority areas for environmental conservation are those that offer the most environmental benefits as measured by species diversity, significant habitat, habitat connectivity, proximity to a waterbody, and habitat type. Priority areas for environmental restoration are those that have the most environmental burdens with respect to groundwater threat, hazardous waste, poor air and water quality, and pollution burden. Examples are oil fields, brownfields, landfills, and other degraded lands which may be converted to parks and open space in the future, including opportunities within the areas served by the Conservancy. Focusing on these priority areas ensures an equity and data-driven approach that achieves climate resiliency and environmental benefits, restores and protects regional ecosystems and watersheds, and targets the most vulnerable environmentally burdened and under-resourced communities.

The Project, to be completed by 2025, will serve as a roadmap and toolkit for land acquisition and park development, communication and advocacy, and will include DPR-led and funded coalition-building and capacity-building with conservancies, regional partners, and community-based organizations.

2. Goals and Objectives

The goal of the Project is to complete a Park Acquisition, Park Development and Strategic Communications Toolkit by 2025.

- a) The Project addresses the Conservancy’s Program objectives by creating a plan to:
 - Acquire and restore lands that are at risk;
 - Engage local communities and other partners as it relates to long-term stewardship and climate change awareness;

- Develop parks and greenways to mitigate climate change effects and promote public health and recreation;
 - Leverage partnerships and resources; and,
 - Protect, restore water resources including urban waterways.
- b) The Project meets the State's Climate Resiliency by completing a plan to:
- Strengthen protections for climate vulnerable communities;
 - Bolster public health and safety to protect against increasing climate risks; and
 - Partner and collaborate to leverage resources.
- c) Consistent with the Conservancy's mission to acquire open space, manage public lands within its territory, and to provide recreation, restoration and protection of wildlife habitat for the public's enjoyment and educational experience, the Project will help fight climate change, advance conservation, and protect biodiversity.
- d) Work products the Project will complete are as follows:
- Park Acquisition Toolkit;
 - Park Development Toolkit;
 - Strategic Communications Toolkit;
 - GIS Analyses and Maps; and
 - Final Report.
- e) Project Matching Funds: DPR is matching \$125,000 for the Project. This funding will be used for advocacy work to strengthen the conservation and restoration goals in LA County.

Although in-kind services have not been identified as a match for the Project, significant staff time has already been expended to support scoping and project management. DPR staff will continue to provide services during implementation and project management.

3. Site Description. N/A This is a planning project.

4. Specific Tasks

#	Task Name	Description
1	Coalition and Capacity Building	Facilitate and support a regional coalition of partners to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • create and carry out a Coalition and Capacity Building Strategy; • lead advocacy for a holistic approach to conservation that includes the restoration of degraded lands; • prioritize and carry out restoration and conservation work; and • pursue funding and other resources critical to an equitable regional approach of the 30x30 goals.
2	Land Acquisition and Park Development Toolbox	Develop a toolbox that will help to identify parcels for parkland acquisition and/or development in priority areas for environmental conservation, restoration, and regional recreation.
3	Parcel Level Analysis for Opportunity Areas	Conduct a parcel level analysis of land opportunities and prioritize for acquisition and development as parkland for environmental conservation, restoration, and regional recreation purposes.
4	Strategic Communications Toolkit	Develop communication materials to highlight the benefits, importance, and urgency of restoring degraded lands in urban areas and the need for increased funding and other resources to support such efforts.
5	Project Administration	Oversee and administer the Project in coordination with the consultant.
6	Project Close-out	Submit final close-out documents.

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5. Measuring Success

Benchmarks will be established with consultant throughout the duration of the Project to ensure timely completion. Success of the Project will be measured by the quality and utility of the project deliverables which are intended to help L.A. County achieve 30x30 goals.

6. Project Maps and Graphics.

- Regional Map - PNA+ map of priority areas for environmental conservation and restoration with overlay of Conservancy Territory (Attachment 1)
- Site-scale map - N/A
- Design Plan - N/A
- Site Photos - N/A

PRELIMINARY BUDGET AND SCHEDULE

Task Number	Task	Completion Date	Applicant's Funding	Conservancy Funds	Total Cost
1.0	Coalition & Capacity Building	July 2024	\$125,000		\$ 125,000
2.0	Land Acquisition and Park Development Toolbox	July 2024		\$145,000	\$ 145,000
3.0	Parcel Level Analysis for Opportunity Areas	Dec 2024		\$182,000	\$ 182,000
4.0	Strategic Communication Toolkit	June 2025		\$148,000	\$ 148,000
5.0	Project Administration	Dec 2025		\$25,000	
6.0	Project Close-out	Dec 2025			
TOTAL			\$ 125,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 625,000

In Kind Services

In-kind services or contributions include volunteer time and materials, professional services, preliminary planning documents or permits, property donations. Describe and estimate the value of expected in-kind services.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND BACKGROUND

1. Project and Applicant History

Established in 1944, DPR has a long history of service to Los Angeles County and the State of California. With over 180 facilities comprised of over 63,000 acres of parks, trails, natural areas, entertainment venues, and golf courses, DPR is the largest local park agency in the State. DPR also serves the nation's most populous county, with over ten million residents that call Los Angeles County home and over 20 million people that visit its facilities every year. Since its inception, DPR remains committed to meeting the diverse and everchanging park and recreation needs of its communities as well as those of trail users from neighboring counties, from across the State, and from around the world.

An integral aspect of DPR's mission is the development and maintenance of a vibrant and comprehensive trail system, physically connecting people and habitat to a variety of parks and natural areas while simultaneously immersing trail users in nature.

The Park to Playa Trail, a planned 13-mile regional trail that will connect a network of trails, parks, and open spaces from the Baldwin Hills Parklands to the Pacific Ocean is an example of DPR's collaborative project. The existing segments of the Park to Playa Trail include the Stocker Corridor, Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area, Stoneview Nature center, Baldwin Hills Scenic Overlook, Culver City Park, and Ballona Creek Bike Path. It is a multi-agency and multi-jurisdictional project that includes coordination between the California Department of Parks and Recreation, DPR, the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority, the Conservancy and the Regional Parks and Open Space District. The Conservancy has funded portions of the Park to Playa Trail, including the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Tree Grove, which enhanced an existing 15,000 square-foot overlook with native coast live oak trees, native grass, and drought-tolerant plants, concrete and decomposed granite pathways; and amenities like seating, and obelisk monument with signage. The Conservancy also recently funded the Park to Playa Bridge: Stoneview to Hahn Project, a portion of the connector trail that spans across La Cienega Boulevard, connecting Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area with Stoneview Nature Center and providing a pedestrian bridge and important wildlife habitat crossing.

2. Environmental Review:

The proposed project is exempt under CEQA.

The proposed project is statutorily and categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to sections 15262 and 15306 of the State CEQA Guidelines. The project will involve planning studies, data collection, research, and resource evaluation activities for possible future actions which the agency, board, or commission has not approved, adopted, or funded. Consistent with Section 15262, the project will consider environmental factors. Consistent with Section 15306, the project will not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

3. Support: Please see attached letters of support.

4. Disadvantaged Communities

The Project will prioritize and benefit disadvantaged communities across Los Angeles County, including those located within the boundaries of the Conservancy. As shown on Attachment 2, the Conservancy territory contains multiple High and Very High Park Need communities identified as part of the PNA. These communities have less than 1.6 acres of parkland per 1,000 residents which is significantly below the countywide average of 3.3 acres of parkland per 1,000 residents. Further analyses by DPR and the Department of Public Health reveal that these communities are not only the most park-poor, they are also the most disadvantaged. Specifically, residents in these communities suffer from a combination of economic, health, and environmental burdens, including poverty, high unemployment, air and water pollution, presence of hazardous wastes as well as high incidence of asthma and heart disease. This Project intentionally seeks to reduce some of these burdens and restore degraded lands into parks that offer a variety of benefits to residents by completing the planning work needed to acquire and develop additional parkland in disadvantaged communities.

5. Need for Conservancy Funds

There is a need to begin implementation of the PNA+ to help achieve LA County's 30x30 Plan of conserving 30 percent of lands and coastal waters by the year 2030 to fight climate change, advance conservation, and protect biodiversity. The funding, as well as the partnership with the Baldwin Hills and Urban Watersheds Conservancy Funds plays a critical role in achieving the 30x30 Plan which will greatly benefit not just the Conservancy's territory, but LA County as a whole. Without this funding, implementation of the PNA+ will be challenging in the Conservancy's territory.

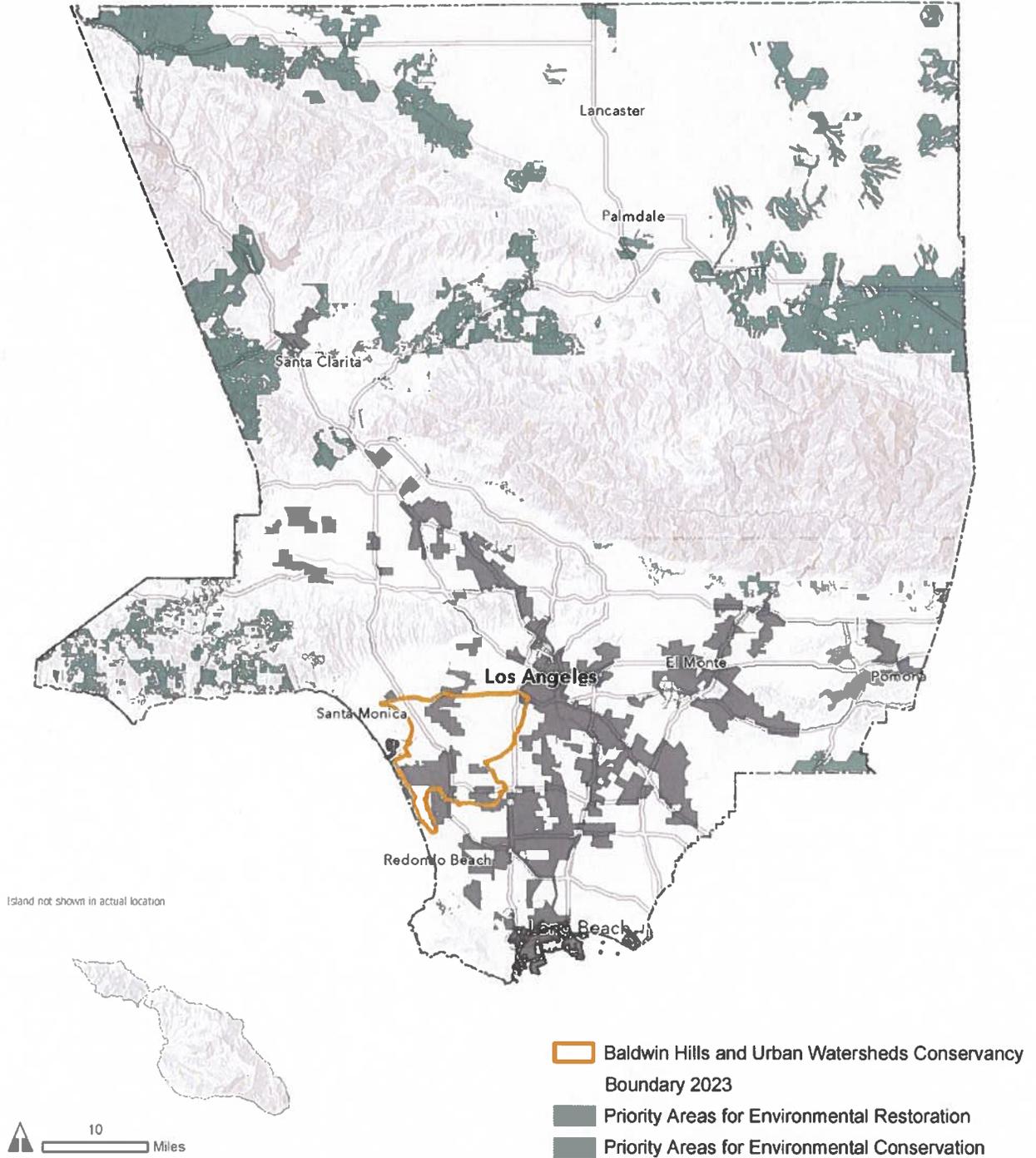
PARKS NEEDS ASSESSMENT PLUS (PNA+) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

ATTACHMENTS



Attachment 1

Regional Project Map: PNA+ Priority Areas for Environmental Conservation and Restoration



Regional Project Map: PNA+ Priority Areas for Environmental Conservation and Restoration

Map of PNA+ Priority Areas for Environmental Conservation and Restoration, 2023. County of Los Angeles, Department of Parks & Recreation, Office of Planning and Research, 2023. All rights reserved. For more information, visit <https://www.laparks.org>.



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LETTERS OF SUPPORT



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April 24, 2023

Mr. David McNeill, Executive Officer
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Los Angeles, CA 90056

**RE: LETTER OF SUPPORT- COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF
PARKS AND RECREATION COUNTYWIDE PNA+ IMPLEMENTATION PLAN**

Dear Mr. McNeill:

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To move this work forward, the County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation proposes a grant application to the Baldwin Hills & Urban Watersheds Conservancy for the Countywide PNA+ Implementation Plan. This project will establish work priorities, develop an advocacy strategy, and complete a park development, park acquisition and communication toolkit by geographic area.

Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) is pleased to support the County’s application as it aligns with NRDC’s commitment to building healthy and equitable communities by advancing park equity in Los Angeles and throughout the nation.

We appreciate your funding consideration of the PNA+ Implementation Plan.

Please feel free to contact us via electronic mail at dnagami@nrdc.org and ptorres@nrdc.org if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

Damon Nagami
Senior Attorney, Natural Resources Defense Council

Paulina Torres
Staff Attorney, Natural Resources Defense Council

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The County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation is a wonderful partner of Climate Resolve's and the scope is aligned with Climate Resolve's mission which is to use our collective power to tackle climate change, create a thriving California, and inspire others to act. Our purpose is a just and resilient future.

Your funding consideration of the PNA+ Implementation Plan is appreciated. Please feel free to contact me at nhernandez@climateresolve.org if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Natalie Hernandez". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being more prominent.

Natalie Hernandez
Director, Resilience & Organizational Strategy
Climate Resolve



April 20, 2023

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Nature for All is very pleased to support this grant application as its scope is aligned with our work to protect and create access to forests, rivers and parks around Los Angeles. Via our leadership development programs, All Aboard for Nature trips and in coalition with 9 organizations, we build a diverse base of support to ensure that access to nature is front and center for our region. Your funding consideration of the PNA+ Implementation Plan is greatly appreciated.

Please feel free to contact me at belen@lanatureforall.org if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

Belén Bernal
Executive Director

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Memorandum

To: Governing Board

From: David McNeill, Executive Officer

Date: May 12, 2023

Re: Item 6: Update on the Baldwin Hills Community Standards District (CSD) Amendment for the Inglewood Oil Field – Edgar De La Torre, Senior Planner, LA County Department of Regional Planning

Recommendation: No Action Required

Background: The [Baldwin Hills CSD](#) establishes development standards and operating procedures for oil and gas operations in the unincorporated portion of the Inglewood Oil Field, which include approximately 900 acres and over 700 wells. It ensures that oil field operations are conducted in a safe manner and are compatible with the surrounding uses. A recap of the Department of Regional Planning's implementation efforts for the ordinance can be reviewed in the attached letter from Director Amy Bodek (see Attachment #1).

In late 2022, LA County Planning started the process of amending the BHCSO, per the September 15, 2021 Board of Supervisors motion to prohibit new oil wells and allow existing oil wells to continue operating under a nonconforming status. The process is still ongoing and will include the release of a public draft and a minimum 30-day public comment period prior to the respective Regional Planning Commission hearing. Regional Planning staff will be presenting on the parameters of the amendment as well as seeking broader participation in the process of its forthcoming adoption hearing.

April 24, 2023

Dear Neighbors:

UPDATE ON THE BALDWIN HILLS COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT

On behalf of LA County Planning, I would like to update you on the implementation efforts for the Baldwin Hills Community Standards District (BHCS D) that have taken place since the last correspondence in May 2022. To review, the BHCS D was adopted by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors in 2008 to monitor and regulate oil drilling and related activities within the Inglewood Oil Field located in the Baldwin Hills area. Sentinel Peak Resources is the current operator of the Inglewood Oil Field.

The County remains active in ensuring that the oil field operations meet all the requirements established by the BHCS D to minimize health, safety, environmental and nuisance impacts to the surrounding communities. The County's review of the required annual drilling plan, the review of other BHCS D-required permit compliance submittals, and onsite field inspections document compliance with the requirements of the BHCS D. These requirements include development standards such as maintaining a 400-foot buffer between drilling operations and sensitive areas (e.g. residences, parks, and schools), air quality monitoring at the drill rigs, reduction of noise levels, and an annual drilling and monitoring plan reviewed and approved by the County. Since the inception of the BHCS D in 2008, 127 new wells have been drilled without incident through diligent monitoring by the County and other regulatory agencies. Please note that no new wells have been drilled since June 2014 and no new wells are expected to be drilled during 2023.

Strict state regulations were enacted through Senate Bill 4 to monitor and report hydraulic fracturing and other well stimulation treatments within California. As of July 1, 2015, this legislation requires operators to obtain a permit from the Department of Conservation Geologic Energy Management Division prior to hydraulically fracturing a well. **I would like to reaffirm that no wells are currently being hydraulically fracked within the Inglewood Oil Field, and the 2023 Annual Drilling Plan does not include the hydraulic fracturing of any new wells.**

In late 2022, LA County Planning started the process of amending the BHCSD, per the September 15, 2021 Board of Supervisors motion, to prohibit new oil wells and allow existing oil wells to continue operating under a nonconforming status. The process is still ongoing and will include the release of a public draft and a minimum 30-day public comment period prior to the respective Regional Planning Commission hearing. Monthly updates will be provided at the Community Advisory Panel meetings and via email. To sign up for email updates please visit our website: <https://planning.lacounty.gov/baldwinhills>.

The Baldwin Hills Community Advisory Panel (CAP), comprised of community stakeholders, continues to meet at 6:00 pm on the fourth Thursday of each month via virtual Zoom meetings to discuss current operations, answer questions and discuss any future plans for the oil field. Continued input by community stakeholders is encouraged and all are welcome to attend each meeting. Updates regarding the BHCSD and CAP may be found at <https://planning.lacounty.gov/baldwinhills/cap>. Information regarding the BHCSD may also be found at the operator's website <https://inglewoodoilfield.com/>.

If you have any questions regarding the BHCSD, or if you would like to receive email updates, please do not hesitate to call Edgar De La Torre at (213) 974-6483 or by email at edelatorre@planning.lacounty.gov.

Sincerely,



AMY J. BODEK, AICP
Director of Regional Planning

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Memorandum

To: Governing Board

From: Daniel Hernandez, Project Manager

Date: May 12, 2023

Re: Item 7: LA County Westside Area Plan Update – Julie Yom, Principal Planner, Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning

Recommendation: No Action Required (See Attached PowerPoint Presentation)

Background: The Westside Area Plan focuses on seven communities with LA County's [Westside Planning Area](#). These communities are: Ladera Heights, View Park – Windsor Hills, Franklin Canyon, West LA Sawtelle VA, West Fox Hills, Marina del Rey, Gilmore Island and Beverly Hills Island. The Westside Planning Area is one of the 11 planning areas established as part of the Planning Areas Framework in the Los Angeles County General Plan Update in 2015. The Westside Area Plan aims to streamline and update existing County regulations in these communities. Project phases during 2023-24 include research and data analysis; community outreach, workshops, and visioning; development of goals, policies and implementation actions; and preparation of the Area Plan and Environmental Impact Report (EIR).

As a part of the Conservancy expansion, please note there is a South Bay Area Plan undertaking the same process as above for communities in the expanded territory. Please visit the link [here](#) to find more information on how to participate in their community survey.



WESTSIDE AREA PLAN

Baldwin Hills Conservancy Governing Board Meeting

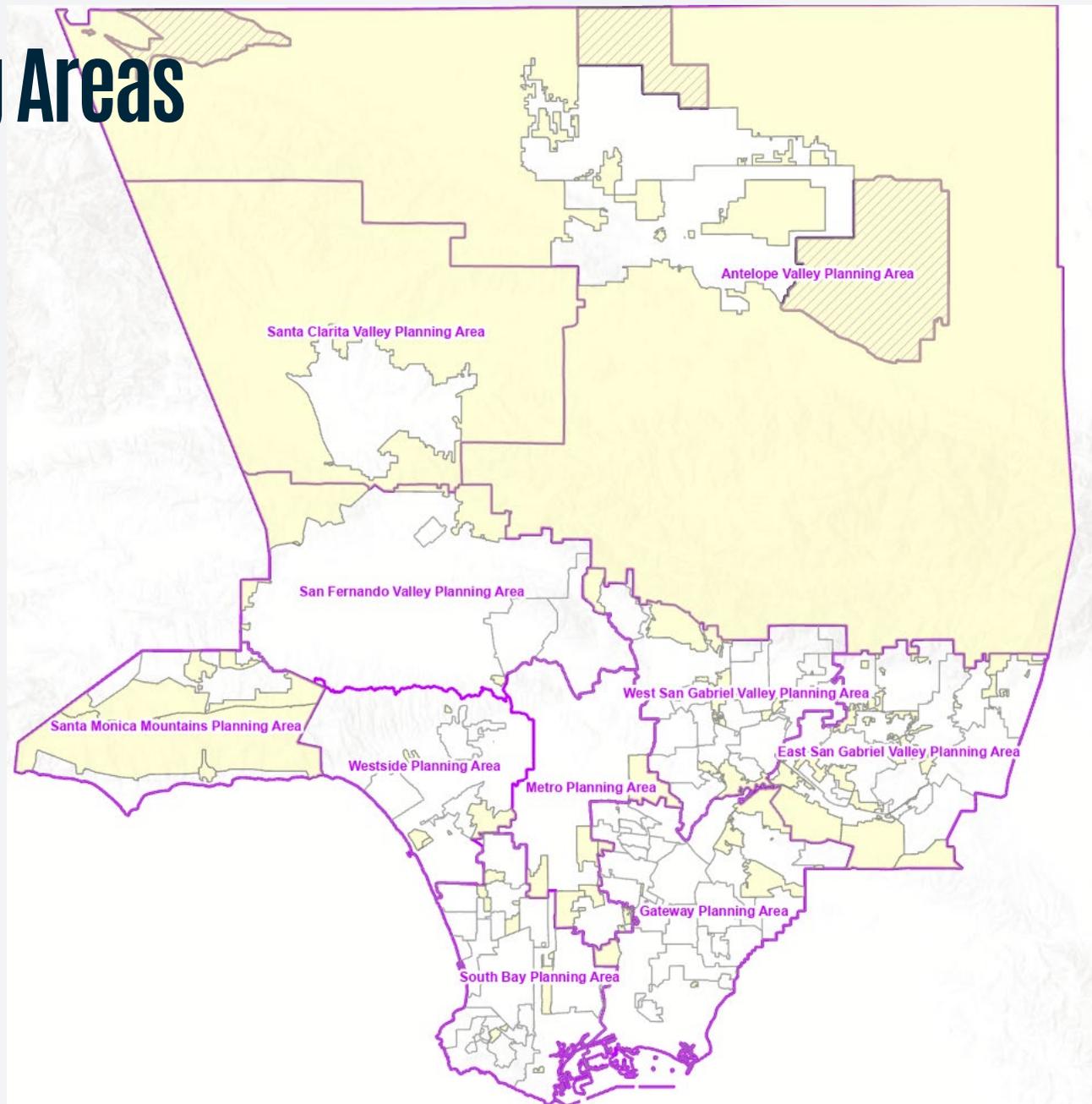
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General Plan vs. Area Plan

- The General Plan serves as the foundation for all more local plans, such as Area Plans, Community Plans, and Coastal Land Use Plans.
- An Area Plan is being prepared or updated for each of the County's eleven Planning Areas and will provide opportunities to update local planning tools such as community plans, specific plans and community standards districts which involve changes to zoning and land use.
- Area Plans address the same issues as the General Plan, adding greater specificity to the local context.

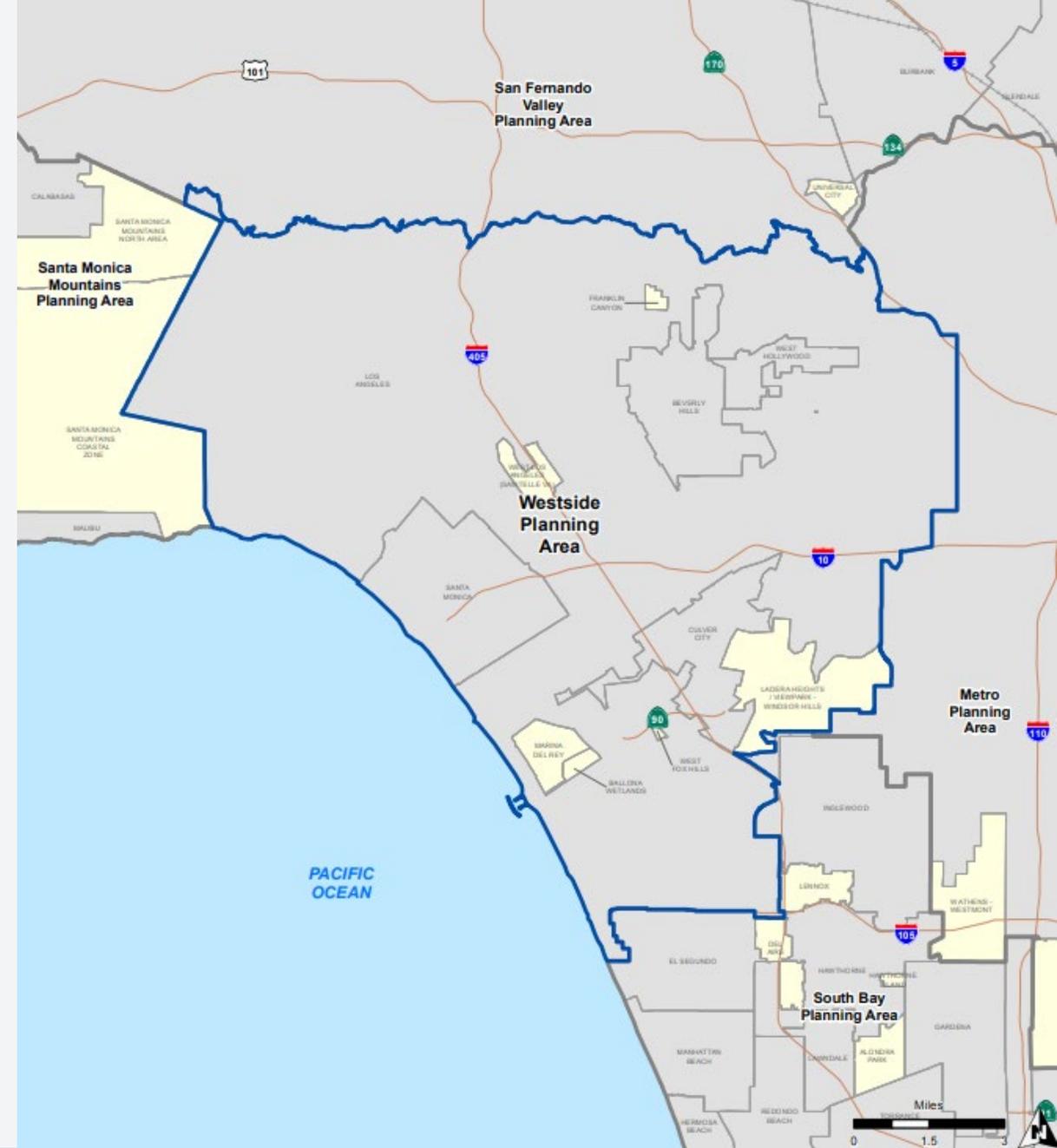


LA County Planning Areas



Westside Planning Area

- Ladera Heights/View Park-Windsor Hills
- Marina del Rey
- Ballona Wetlands
- Westside Islands (West LA/Sawtelle VA, West Fox Hills, Franklin Canyon, Beverly Hills Island, Gilmore Island)



Quick Facts

	Ladera Heights/View Park- Windsor Hills	Westside Planning Area (unincorporated area)	Los Angeles County (Unincorporated)
Total Population	17,985	32,712 (6.7% of County)	1,022,167
Total Area	4.8 sq. miles	7.39 sq. miles	2,600 sq. miles
Median Age	51	47.3	34.6
Avg. Household Size	2.5	2.06	3.5
Median Home Value	\$898,152	\$894,060	\$778,540
Median Household Income	\$118,812	\$126,729	\$71,358

Westside Area Plan (WSAP)

PROPOSED PROJECT GOALS

- Improve access to **parks** and **trail connectivity**
- Identify culturally **significant landmarks** and define **community identity**
- Improve **pedestrian** and **traffic safety**
- Increase **housing** opportunities
- Propose strategies to **revitalize commercial corridors** (Slauson Boulevard)



Westside Area Plan (WSAP)

ISSUES AND CONCERNS

- **Little land** for new development
- **High cost** of land and housing
- Need for a significant **pedestrian improvements**
- **Traffic congestion** and safety
- Need for commercial **corridor revitalization**
- Large **urban oil field** in Baldwin Hills



Westside Area Plan (WSAP)

Community-based plan that will guide regional growth and development in the Westside planning area.

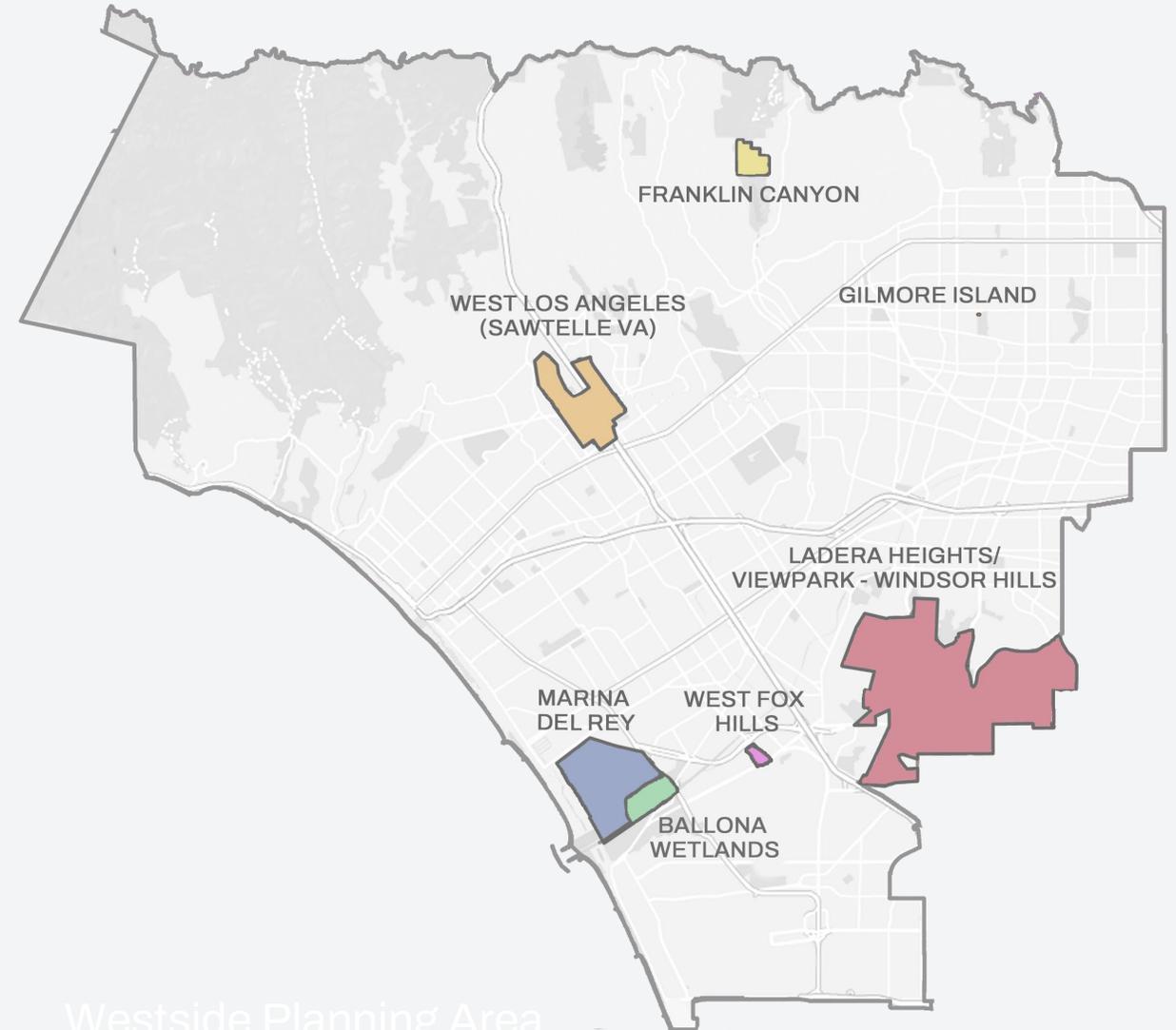
PROJECT COMPONENTS:

- Area Plan
- Zoning Code, Zoning Map, and Land Use Policy Amendments
- Environmental Impact Report (EIR)



Westside Area Plan (WSAP)

- A comprehensive policy document that at a minimum, includes the following elements:
 - Land Use
 - Mobility
 - Conservation and Open Space
 - Public Services and Facilities
 - Economic Development
 - Historic Preservation
- Goals & Policies
- Implementation programs that are specific and/or unique to the Westside Planning Area.



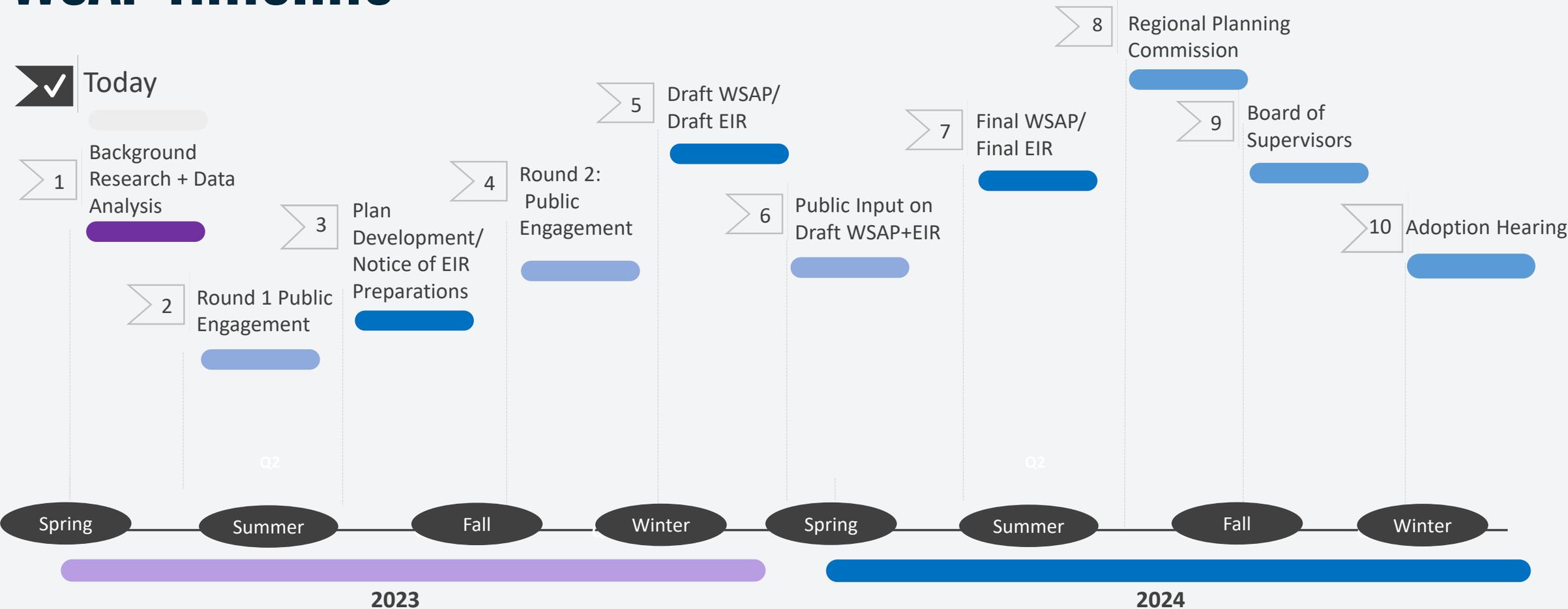
Westside Planning Area

OUTREACH STRATEGY

- Working with CBOs
- Joint Program/Project Outreach (Baldwin Hills CSD)
- External Agencies, surrounding jurisdictions
- Community meetings & Workshops
- Email Newsletters
- Flyers



WSAP Timeline



Community Survey

Two project surveys are currently available for public input:

Ladera Heights / View Park-Windsor Hills Survey

LA County Westside Unincorporated
Communities: Public Survey



West Fox Hills Survey

LA County Westside Unincorporated
Communities: Public Survey for West Fox
Hills



WSAP Contact Information

Website: <https://planning.lacounty.gov/long-range-planning/westside-area-plan/>

Email: WestsideAreaPlan@planning.lacounty.gov

Project
Website



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LA County Bicycle Master Plan Update

In-Person Community Open House

Sat., May 13, 2023 | 10 AM - 12 PM

Chester L Washington Golf Course

1818 Charlie Sifford Dr, Los Angeles, CA 90047

Virtual Community Meeting

Tue., May 16, 2023 | 6 PM - 7:30 PM

Zoom Link: [Register Here](#)

Meeting ID: 815 2620 0988

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Memorandum

To: Governing Board

Fr: David McNeill

Date: May 12, 2022

Re: Item 8: Executive Officer Report: Project Status, Fiscal, Legislative and Operations Updates – BHC Staff Representatives

Projects Status Report

See Attachment # 1 for the updated Baldwin Hills Conservancy (BHC) Local Assistance/Capital Outlay Project Status Report.

Fiscal Update

N/A.

Legislative Update

SB 835 Smallwood Cuevas: On February 17, 2023, Senator Smallwood-Cuevas introduced a bill that would extend the deadline for the BH UWC to deliver a report on the watershed and open space plan for improvements in the new territory. Current legislation mandates the delivery of the report on January 2024. This bill would extend the deadline to January 2026, allowing staff time to secure the required resources, conduct stakeholder engagement, analyze regional infrastructure and identify current and future park development funding needs for the watershed in a comprehensive manner.

Community

Congressmember Kamlager-Dove has put in a \$4 million federal Community Project Request on behalf of the City of Los Angeles and the BH UWC. The proposed project is [Slauson Connect in Council District 9](#). If approved by the appropriations committee, the funds would help bridge a \$10 million gap needed to complete the state-of-the-art youth development building that will include a 12,000 sq ft resiliency hub situated on a 2-acre linear park.

On April 20th, California Greenworks awarded honors to four community leaders for their impact on humanity and the environment. This year's Dr. George Washington Carver Environmental Legacy Awards were presented to: Director of STEM Education Synergy Academies Barbara Shannon, EdD; Executive Officer of the Baldwin Hills Conservancy David McNeill; First African American Astronaut Candidate and renowned sculptor Ed Dwight and; Deputy Mayor for Energy and Sustainability Nancy Sutley.

This Saturday, in commemoration of Arbor Day, the BH UWC, California Conservation Corps and Nature Nexus Institute have partnered for a volunteer event with the Tau Beta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. A cadre of ladies and their families representing the sorority's international initiative, Enhance our Environment, will learn how to do restoration work and plant 10 Coastal Live Oak trees at the Five-Points site in KHSRA.

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Project Title	Grantee	Contract ID	Fund Source	Funds Allocated	Agreement Expiration	PROJECT STATUS
Stoneview Nature Center Sanctuary Apiary	Honeylove	BHC2101	Prop 84	\$19,941	6/30/2023	Project will change locations from Stoneview Nature Center to KHSRA; Park staff working with Grantee to finalize details; Amendment 1 will extend contract term 12-months; Project completion expected June 2024; project close-out expected September 2024.
Environmental Oversight and Technical Services	Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC)	BHC2010	Prop 40	\$324,919	6/30/2023	BHC staff currently in communication with DPR Bonds Unit Accounting and DTSC to coordinate the termination of the current Interagency Agreement (IAA) such that the scope can be executed on a BHC Grant Agreement form. Term will be extended to June 2025.
Green Valley Connection Improvement Project at KHSRA	Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation	BHC2002	Prop 1	\$700,000	3/31/2026	Staff working with LACO to draft amendment to include minor scope changes and an updated schedule to reflect actual progress; LACO reviewing proposal from CCC for issuance NTP; LACO staff preparing financing agreement between County and LA Audubon; Project completion Dec 2025; Complete project close-out June 2026.

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Five Points Habitat Restoration Project	North East Trees	BHC2006	Prop 1	\$1,020,746	1/31/2024	Project partner meeting held 5/4/23; additional removal of invasive/non-native species in-progress; community outreach and program planning is ongoing; Grantee requested a 12-month term extension; amendment processing in-progress; Project completion expected January 2024; Complete project close-out April 2024.
Mar Vista Community Greening Plan and Greenway Design	Kounkuey Design Initiative (KDI)	BHC2004	Prop 68	\$359,800	5/31/2023	Garden schematic designs and maintenance agreement for garden and parklet to be finalized this month; final design development document nearly complete; Project completion May 2023; Project close-out expected August 2023.
Community Resilience and Access Plan	Climate Resolve (CR)	BHC2005	Prop 68	\$200,000	10/31/2022	Final payment processing in-progress; Complete project close-out expected June 2023.
Baldwin Hills Reservoir Revitalization and Restoration Plan	Tree People, Inc.	BHC2003	Prop 68	\$198,000	12/31/2023	Design concept presented to public and partners; community meetings continue; plan revisions including community feedback and planting plan expected Summer 2023; Project completion expected December 2023; Complete project close-out expected March 2024.

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Water Capture Project for Yvonne B. Burke Sports Complex	California Conservation Corps Foundation (CCCF)	BHC1800	Prop 1	\$1,500,000	10/31/2023	Phase II concept plan for Phase II was revised by LACO February 2023; Phase II irrigation survey/mapping expected completion next month; Phase II implementation expected to begin June-July 2023; Current project completion expected October 2023; Current project close-out expected January 2024.
Ballona Creek Bike Path Sustainability and Accessibility Project	Culver City	BHC2007	Prop 1	\$1,952,500	10/31/2023	Public meeting which presented design concepts was held January 2023; City working with Army Corps on meeting requirements of permit; Request for grant agreement term extension expected Summer 2023; Current Project completion expected October 2023; Current Project close-out expected January 2024.
Baldwin Hills Scenic Overlook Slope Restoration Project	Los Angeles Conservation Corps (LACC)	BHC2008	Prop 1	\$1,027,640	2/14/2024	Construction drawings completed at 100%; restoration work onsite continues; crew onsite 2-5 days a week; Project completion expected May 2024; Complete project close-out expected August 2024.