



# Meeting Minutes

**Project Title:** San Gabriel Valley Greenway Network Strategic Implementation Plan

**Purpose of Meeting:** Present tributary narratives, the map-based survey, and an update on ROW analysis.

**Meeting Location:** Virtual via Teams  
See Microsoft Outlook Invite

**Date:** January 12, 2022

**Time:** 2:00 p.m.

## Attendees:

### Steering Committee Members

Martin Reyes, LAC B.O.S. SD1  
Roberto Álvarez, LAC B.O.S. SD5  
Ramy Gindi, LACFCD  
Elaine Kunitake, LACPW TPP  
Wesley Reutimann, Active SGV  
Norma Quinones, SGV Conservation Corps  
Belen Bernal, Nature for All  
Sally Gee, RMC

### Project Team

Jennifer Aborida, LACPW  
Julian Juarez, LACPW  
Robert Gomez, LACPW  
Soledad Tlamasico, LACPW  
Natasha Krakowiak, LACDPR  
Loretta Quach, LACDPR  
Sheela Mathai, LACDPR  
Steve Hirai, Brown and Caldwell  
Jesse Scolavino, Brown and Caldwell  
Taylor McCauley, Brown and Caldwell  
Jan Dyer, Studio-MLA  
Megan Horn, Studio-MLA  
Kevin Johnson, Studio-MLA  
Noe Noyola, MIG  
Raquel Jimenez, KOA

## Summary

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### 1. Introductions

- a. Jennifer kicked off the run through with a welcome, introduction, and walk-through of the agenda.
  - i. New team members: Julian Juarez, Robert Gomez, and Soledad Tlamasico introduced themselves.

### 2. PowerPoint Presentation

#### a. Schedule Update (Brown and Caldwell)

- i. Jesse walked the team through an update on the SGV Plan schedule including a review of ongoing efforts, noting that Task 6 is progressing well and that the team is currently finalizing alignments and projects. She also noted that the plan website and web-based survey are live and that the first round of community and pop-up events have been held/are underway.

#### b. SGVGN Plan Update

- i. Taylor provided a brief SGV Network Plan update, focusing on the major upcoming milestones including:
  - February 2022: finalization of the tributary narratives, bike path alternatives, and list of potential projects
  - April 2022: finalization of opportunities and constraints diagrams
  - August 2022: finalization of Greenway Network Plan
  - November 2022: finalization of EIR/EIS and all CEQA efforts
- ii. Tributary Narratives (Studio-MLA)
  - Kevin provided a review of the tributary narratives, noting that they have been put into a mural for ease of review.
  - Kevin reiterated that these tributary narratives were developed with data used to score reaches when determining “Tiers”
  - He walked through the Alhambra Wash Tributary Narrative as an example of the different information included in each narrative:
    - Overview - major takeaways
    - Circulation Story - vehicle access, transit access, existing trails/bikeways/rail stations
    - Equity Story - Pulled socioeconomic factors from Cal Enviro Screen, park needs assessment, etc.
    - Community Story Pt 1 - Gathering spaces, parks, park need
    - Community Story Pt 2 - Demographics, income, major ethnic populations
    - Synergy Story Pt 1 - Previously planned efforts/proposed projects
    - Synergy Story Pt 2 - Legal complexity, ownership agreements along washes
    - Synergy Story Pt 3 - Physical complexity, freeways, major arterials, etc.
    - Environmental Story - Focus to identify which areas are lacking
- iii. Opportunities and Constraints Diagrams (Studio-MLA)
  - Kevin also provided a brief review of the opportunities and constraints diagrams included in the mural. He stated that the diagrams show conceptual alternative bike path alignments and adjacent park parcels that have been identified as potential projects. Additionally, they highlight major constraints that affect each alignment.

c. Community Engagement Update (MIG)

i. Community Workshops – Round 1: Visioning and Opportunities

- Noe walked through Round 1 of the community workshops, summarizing the following information:
  - 87 total participants across the 4 workshops
  - Most attended workshop was in the late afternoon (3:30PM). This will be taken into account for the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> rounds of workshops.
  - Poll questions during the workshops determined the following results:
    - 91% of respondents were interested in using the Greenway Network for recreational purposes
    - 49% of respondents were very likely to use the Greenway Network
    - Main concerns focused on safety and the network’s connectivity to existing bikeways
  - Discussion during the workshops focused on the following themes:
    - Lighting, accessibility, privacy, security, etc.
- A summary of the Round 1 workshops can be found in Table 1.

**Table 1. Community Workshops: Round 1 Summary**

Workshop 1	November 3, 2021, 6:00 PM	31 Participants
Workshop 2	November 6, 2021, 10:00 AM	11 Participants
Workshop 3	November 17, 2021, 3:30 PM	36 Participants *
Workshop 4	November 18, 2021, 6:00 PM	9 Participants
<b>Total</b>	—	<b>87 participants</b>

ii. Map-Based Survey

- Noe discussed the map-based survey, which was launched on October 14, 2021, and has garnered 207 responses as of January 5, 2022. The survey is available in Spanish, Chinese, and English, and has been advertised via flyers, the website, and social media posts.
- The survey results were summarized into Figure 1.

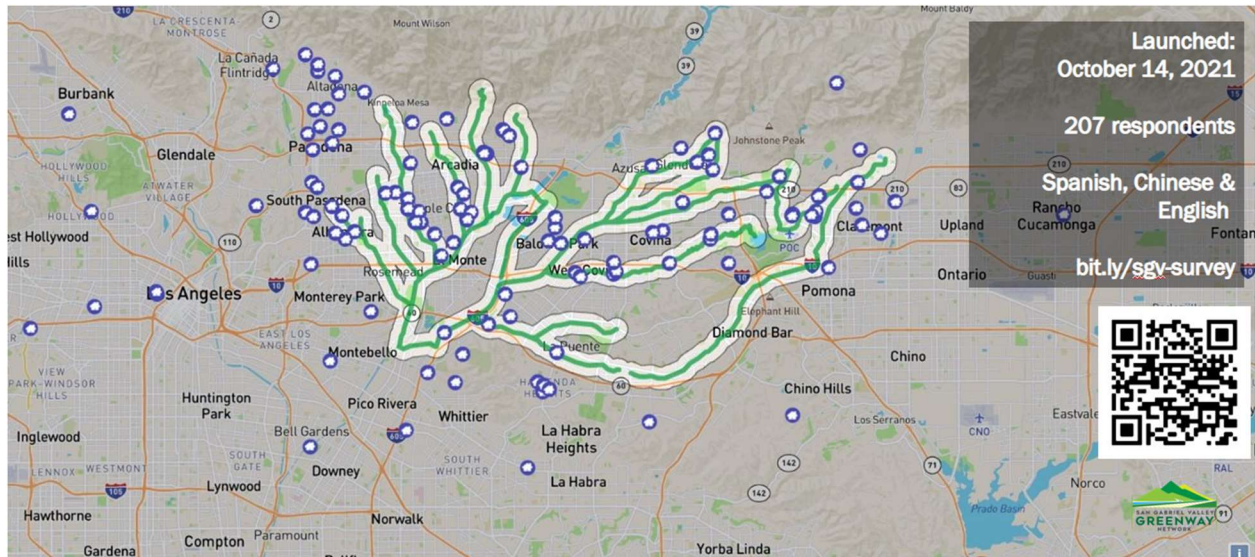


Figure 1. Map-Based Survey Results

iii. Pop-Up Events

- Noe summarized the pop-up events that have already been held, have been planned, and are in planning, as shown in Table 2. He stated that the two events that had already been held were a success. Jennifer recommended changing the schedule for the pop-up events to run from February through July 2022 instead of May 2022 to allow for more time between events. This change was made for the Steering Committee presentation.

**Table 2. Pop-Up Events Schedule**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Status</b>
Whittier Narrows Recreation Area	12/18/2021	Saturday	9:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Completed
Peter Schabarum Regional Park	1/8/2022	Saturday	9:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Completed
Santa Fe Dam Recreation Area	1/15/2022	Saturday	9:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Pending
South Hills Park	2/5/2022	Saturday	8:00 AM	Confirmed
Antonovich Trail	2/12/2022	Saturday	8:00 AM	Pending
Walnut Creek Park	2/19/2022	Saturday	8:00 AM	Pending
City of Industry Expo Center Trail	3/12/2022	Saturday	8:00 AM	Confirmed
Bonelli Regional Park	3/19/2022	Saturday	8:00 AM – 6:00 PM	Pending
Claremont Hills/Thompson Trail	TBD			
Rose Bowl Walking Loop	TBD			
Arcadia County Park	TBD			
Peck Road Water Conservation Park	TBD			
Monrovia Farmers Market	TBD			
Pasadena Farmers Market	TBD			
Alhambra Farmers Market	TBD			
San Dimas Farmers Market	TBD			

iv. WCA Engagement

- Jennifer reviewed the proposed upcoming WCA engagement activities.
- WCA will conduct 16 workshops between February – July 2022.
- WCA will maximize meaningful contacts with SGV entities to reach historically under-served communities.
- WCA will partner with the following community organizations for the workshops:
  - Active SGV
  - Amigos de los Rios
  - Nature for All
  - Women’s Clubs

- v. Community Workshops: Rounds 2 & 3
  - Noe noted that the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of community will discuss design alternatives, survey findings, and outreach findings. They will be held on the following dates:
    - February 16, 2022
    - February 22, 2022
  - Noe stated that Round 3 of the community workshops will be held in May 2022 as of the current schedule.
    - The focus of Round 3 workshops will be to reach underserved communities via Active SGV, Amigos de Los Rios, Nature for All, and women's clubs.
- d. Asks from the Steering Committee and Discussion
- e. During this slide of the Steering Committee presentation, Noe requested feedback, comments, or questions from the Steering Committee on the subjects listed below.
  - i. Feedback on Round 1 of the community workshops
  - ii. Lists of potential groups (names and emails) that would benefit and would have interest in joining the community workshops
    - Wes recommended the South Pasadena Farmer's Market as a possible place to advertise workshops or to hold a pop-up event.
  - iii. Promotion of the workshops one month prior to the event.
    - Belen offered to support advertisement of workshops and events on social media, with resident groups, and with coalition partners.
  - iv. Other
    - Wes asked if the team will be incorporating any high-quality drone or wash level photography into the designs / graphic products. Noe noted that some drone photographs had already been taken of the washes.
- f. Next Steps
  - i. Jennifer noted that the project team will send a meeting minutes summary.
  - ii. SGVGN Plan Update
    - Jennifer summarized the upcoming deliverables for the Plan as follows:
      - Final Tributary Narratives – Feb 2022
      - Final Bike Path Alternatives – Feb 2022
      - Final List of Projects – Feb 2022
  - iii. Community Engagement Update
    - Jennifer also summarized the community engagement update presented by Noe, noting that the focus for the near future includes:
      - Continue with planned Pop-Up Events
      - Continue efforts to plan future Pop-Up Events
      - Preparation for Phase 2 Community Workshops
- g. Next Meeting
  - i. Jennifer closed out the meeting by noting that the next Steering Committee meeting will be held on March 9, 2022, 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM.