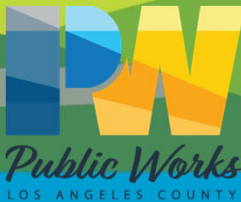




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Strategic Implementation Plan

CEQA Program Environmental Impact Report Scoping Meeting October 2022

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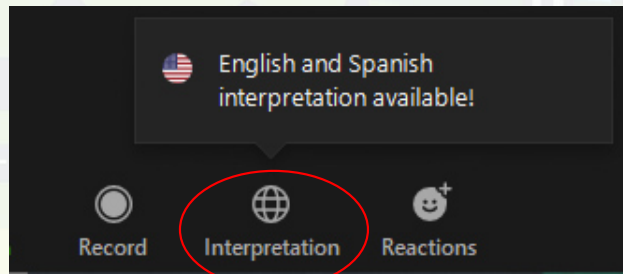


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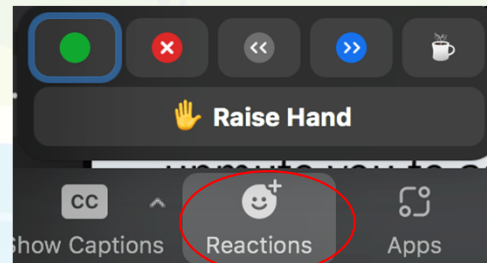
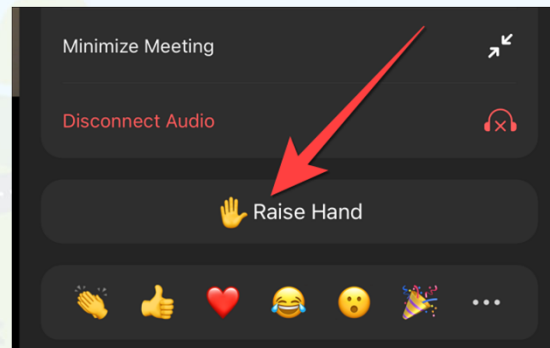
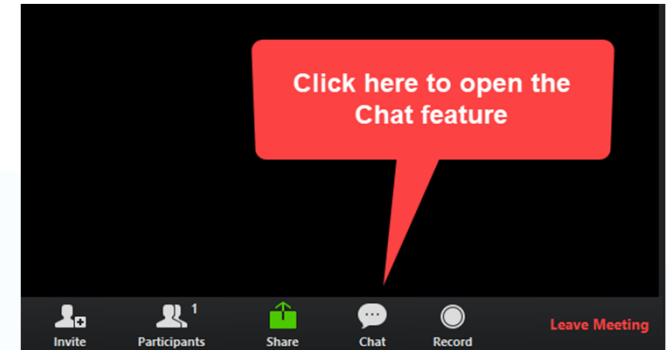


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Asking Questions During the Meeting

Option 1: Chat box

- Click Speech Bubble at the bottom of the toolbar.
- Type question in chat box.



Option 2: Ask question out loud.

- Click button that looks like a hand.
- At the end of the presentation, we will call on speakers one at a time and unmute you to ask your question.

Agenda

- Purpose of Meeting
- Project Overview and Objectives
- Project Components
- CEQA Process and Scoping
- How to Provide Scoping Comments
- Question and Answer



Purpose - CEQA

What is CEQA?

- California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) adopted by the State Legislature in 1970.
- Applies to all governmental agencies
- Purpose of CEQA is to provide disclosure
 - Inform decision makers about environmental effects
 - Involved public participation in the planning process
 - Identify and incorporate feasible means of reducing environmental damage



CEQA Scoping Period

Notice of Preparation (NOP)

- Lead agency: Los Angeles County Public Works
- NOP issued September 20, 2022
- Announce that an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) has been initiated
- Copy of the NOP is available on the project website: <https://www.sgvgreenway.org/project-documents>

Scoping Meeting

- Obtain agency and public input on scope and content of the EIR
- Identify range of alternatives, mitigation measures, and significant effects to be analyzed in the EIR
- Identify potential issues early in the environmental review process
- Eliminate from detailed study issues found not to be significant
- Bring together and resolve concerns of agencies and the public

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Study Area

Flood Control District Rights-of-Ways in San Gabriel Valley

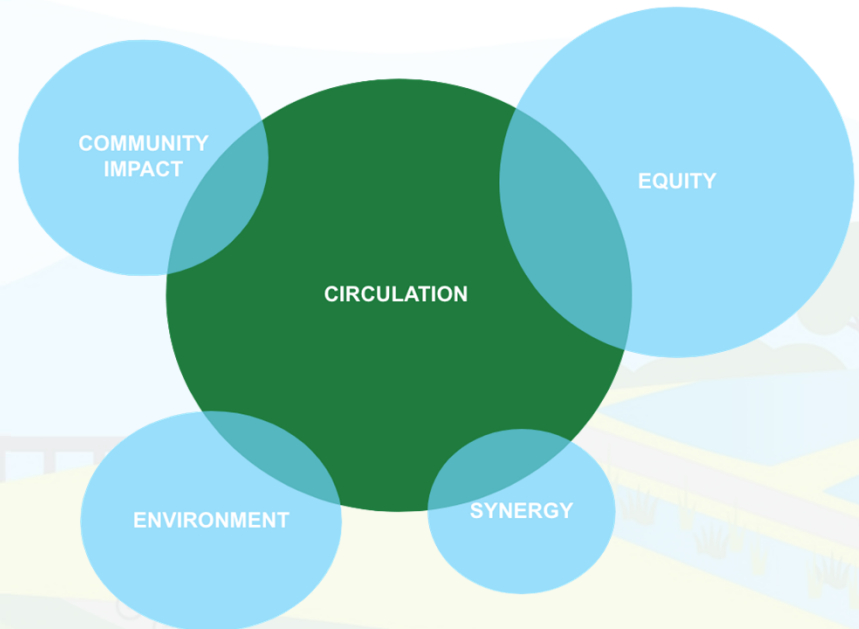
- San Gabriel River
- Rio Hondo River
- Tributary reaches
- Adjacent parcels



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Project Overview

- San Gabriel Valley Greenway Network (SGVGN) Strategic Implementation Plan (SIP) and Design Guidelines and Standards to develop greenway projects
- Proposed Project that will be evaluated in the Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR)
 - Program-level analysis
 - No project-specific analysis
 - No site-specific analysis



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Project Overview



Objectives

- Provide an active transportation corridor for bicyclists, pedestrians, and equestrians
- Beautify the Los Angeles County Flood Control District rights-of-way
- Enhance stormwater management and natural habitats in the San Gabriel Valley

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Project Components

- Main project component: Greenway paths
- A greenway path project may also include a combination of the following:
 - Greenway Amenities
 - Pocket Parks and Greenspaces
 - Safe Crossings
 - Stormwater Management





Greenway Paths: Bikeways and Multi-Use Greenways

- Shared pedestrian and bike path
- Adjacent pedestrian and bike path
- Shared pedestrian and bike path with separated equestrian trail
- Project will consider trail segments up to 5 miles long and 24 feet wide

Greenway Amenities

- Fencing, Railings, Guardrails, Barriers
- Gates
- Privacy Screens
- Lighting
- Seating, Benches
- Shade Structures
- Equestrian Amenities
- Bike Parking
- Signage
- Trash Receptacles
- Public Art
- Community Gardens
- Emergency Call Boxes
- Restrooms
- Water Stations
- Kiosks
- Community Message Boards





Pocket Parks and Greenspaces

- Opportunities for expansion of existing park features or creation of new parks
- CEQA Analysis will consider parks between 1 and 25 acres



Safe Crossings

Considerations to ensure cyclists and pedestrians can cross the road safely

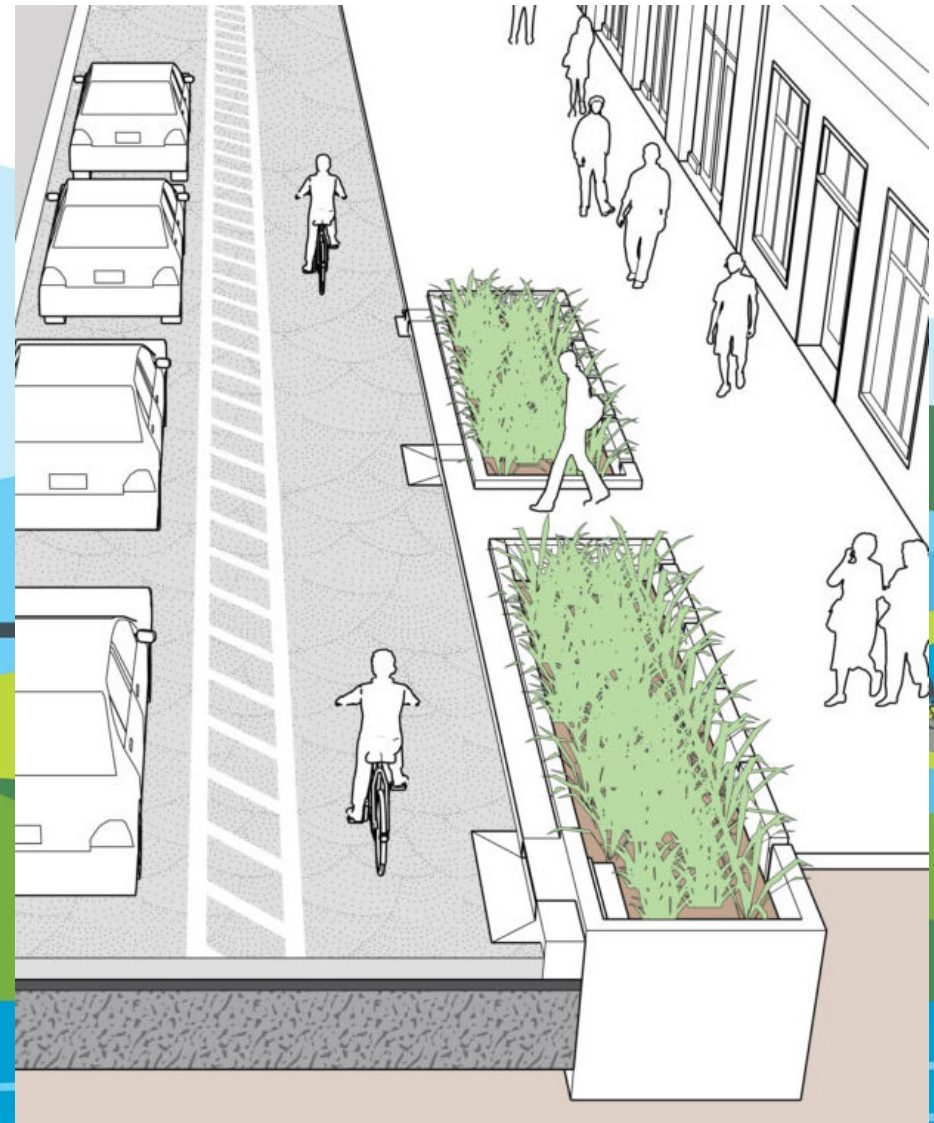
- Intersections
- Roads
- Bridges
- Railroad Tracks
- Channels
- Signals
- Signage

The CEQA analysis will consider construction of crossings/bridges 400 feet long, 8 feet wide and smaller.

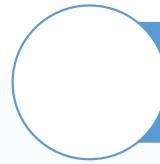


Stormwater Management

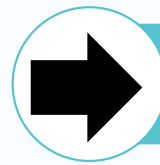
- Permeable Pavement
- Green Streets
- Bio-retention Facilities
- Green Infrastructure/Low Impact Development (LID)
- Infiltration Facilities



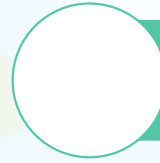
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Notice of Preparation - completed



Public Scoping Period – 9/20 to 10/20



Prepare Draft PEIR



Publish Notice of Availability for Draft PEIR
Start of Draft PEIR Public Comment Period



Develop Final PEIR



Board Hearing with the Board of Supervisors
to consider Plan and PEIR adoption

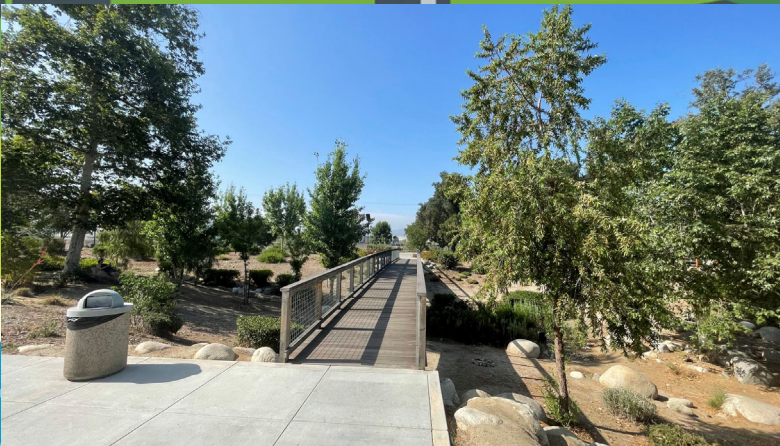
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Scoping is YOUR opportunity to let Public Works know what specific issues are of most concern to you and should be addressed in the PEIR.

Resource areas that will be addressed in the PEIR include the following:

- Aesthetics
- Air Quality
- Agricultural & Forestry Resources
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Energy
- Geology & Soils
- Greenhouse Gases
- Hazards & Hazardous Materials
- Hydrology & Water Resources
- Land Use & Planning
- Mineral Resources
- Noise
- Population & Housing
- Utilities & Service Systems
- Public Health & Safety
- Recreation
- Public Services
- Transportation & Traffic
- Tribal Cultural Resources
- Wildfire

The CEQA Process



Alternatives

- Must be analyzed per CEQA.
- No Project Alternative must be analyzed.
- Other reasonable alternatives to be considered can be submitted during the scoping process.

The CEQA Process

How to Provide Comments

- Email to: SWQD_CEQA@pw.lacounty.gov
Subject Line: SGVGNSIP PEIR Scoping
- Mail to: Ariana Villanueva
Los Angeles County Public Works
Stormwater Quality Division
P.O. Box 1460
Alhambra, CA 91802-1460

Questions regarding the Plan should be sent to:
sgvgreenway@pw.lacounty.gov

Plan updates are available at:
<https://www.sgvgreenway.org/>

