

Notice of Determination

To: County of Los Angeles, Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk
12400 East Imperial Highway, Room 1101
Norwalk, CA 90650

From: Los Angeles County Public Works
Stormwater Planning Division
Attention: Matthew J. Frary, PE
900 South Fremont Avenue
Alhambra, CA 91803-1331

Lead Agency: Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
111 North Hope Street, Room 1044
Los Angeles, CA 90012

State Clearinghouse (SCH) No. 2021010053
(if submitted)

Project Title: Stormwater Capture Parks Program —
Valley Village Park; David M. Gonzalez Park;
Whitsett Fields Park; Valley Plaza Park North

Project Location: Valley Village Park – 5000 Westpark Drive,
North Hollywood
David M. Gonzalez Park – 10943 Herrick Avenue,
Pacoima
Whitsett Fields Park – 6980 Whitsett Avenue,
North Hollywood
Valley Plaza Park North – 6911 Laurelgrove Avenue,
North Hollywood

Project Applicant: Los Angeles County Flood Control District

Project Description:

The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) is the Lead Agency for the Stormwater Capture Parks Program. The City of Los Angeles, including the LADWP, Recreation and Parks, and Bureau of Engineering proposes to construct stormwater capture facilities at seven park facilities in the San Fernando Valley. The main goal of the program is to capture stormwater and recharge the San Fernando Groundwater Basin, increasing the local water supply, improve water quality, and reducing flood risk. An infiltration gallery will be constructed at each location in addition to other stormwater capture components such as catch basin inlets, diversion structures, stormwater pipes, desilting basins, bypass vaults, conveyance pipes, cross gutters, overflow channels, hydrodynamic separator units, flow measuring devices, educational signage, and/or maintenance parking lots.

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Above ground improvements will also vary at each park, but could include new or replaced baseball fields, trail systems and walking paths, exercise areas, bioswales, landscaping (planting, native planting, irrigation, educational signage), tree replacement plantings, and/or picnic areas. Construction at each location is anticipated to take 18 months. After construction is complete, project components will be mainly underground, and the park will be usable for recreational purposes. Maintenance and operation activities would occur similar to existing conditions.

The Los Angeles County Flood Control District (District) is acting as a Responsible Agency for the issuance of a use and maintenance agreement. LADWP completed a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the project in January 2021 and filed the Notice of Completion with the State Clearinghouse on January 7, 2021, (State Clearinghouse File No. 2021010053). LADWP adopted the MND for the project on September 14, 2021, and filed a Notice of Determination with the Los Angeles County Clerk on September 16, 2021 (County Clerk Filing No. 2021209951).

The District has reviewed the MND and concludes it is adequate for use by the District.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Los Angeles County Flood Control District

This is to advise that on December 10, 2024, the District, as a Responsible Agency for the project, has made the following determinations regarding the project:

1. The Project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
2. An MND was prepared for this Project pursuant to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of the approval of the Project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was prepared for this Project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not required for this Project.
6. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

The location of the documents and other materials constituting the record upon which the District decision is based in this matter can be found here:

Los Angeles County Flood Control District, 900 South Fremont Avenue, 11th Floor, Alhambra, CA 91802.

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