



LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

LONG-TERM STREAMBED ALTERATION AGREEMENT FOR THE SOFT-BOTTOM CHANNEL MAINTENANCE PLAN FOR SELECT REACHES PROJECT

To: Responsible and Trustee Agencies and Interested Individuals

Subject: Notice of Intent to Adopt an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND)

Project Title: Long-term Streambed Alteration Agreement for the Soft-Bottom Channel Maintenance Plan for Select Reaches Project (Project)

Lead Agency: Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD)

Project Location: The Project site is comprised of 18 soft-bottom channels ("reaches") and the Stickleback River Ranch (SRR) site. The reaches and SRR site are located throughout Los Angeles County, as shown on Attachment 1.

Description: The Project would set specific parameters and requirements for maintenance activities carried out at 18 reaches (Reaches 101-105, 108-110, and 112-121) and restoration activities at the Stickleback River Ranch (SRR) site in the County of Los Angeles. In the course of one season (September 1 through March 14), each of the reaches would receive one round of routine maintenance, which may include: (1) annual brush clearing, tree trimming, and vegetation mowing; (2) sediment removal; (3) access road maintenance and other appurtenances; (4) storm damage repair and restoration; and/or (5) exotic species eradication or control. The Project does not involve new construction, expansion, or alteration of any of the reaches, but rather includes annual maintenance activities that protect persons and properties from flooding. It should be noted that this IS/MND only analyzes the LACFCD's routine maintenance activities and is not applicable to emergency maintenance activities that may be necessary for operation of these reaches. Any emergency activities would be addressed by separate CEQA documentation. Activities at the SRR site would mitigate potential impacts to California Department of Fish and Wildlife "Waters of the State" and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers "Waters of the U.S." from maintenance activities at the above-mentioned reaches. Therefore, in addition to addressing impacts from the maintenance of the reaches, the Project includes analysis of potential impacts from mitigation activities at the SRR site.

Public Review Period: Thursday, April 1, 2021 through Friday, April 30, 2021

In accordance with Section 15072 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, this notice is to inform public agencies, County residents, and the general public that the LACFCD, as the Lead Agency, has completed an IS/MND for the Project described above. LACFCD is informing members of the public and governmental agencies regarding the scope and content of the IS/MND. The IS/MND and associated technical reports can be viewed online at the following link: <https://pw.lacounty.gov/swm/SBC-MaintPlan-MND/>.

Please submit any comments on the IS/MND in writing, by email, or by fax to LACFCD by 5:00 PM on Friday, April 30, 2021. Comments should be titled with "Long-term Streambed Alteration Agreement for the Soft-Bottom Channel Maintenance Plan for Select Reaches Project" in the subject line. Comments can be submitted in the following ways:

Mail _____

Attn: Nandini Moran
Los Angeles County
Flood Control District
900 South Fremont Avenue, 2nd Floor
Alhambra, CA 91803-1331

Email _____

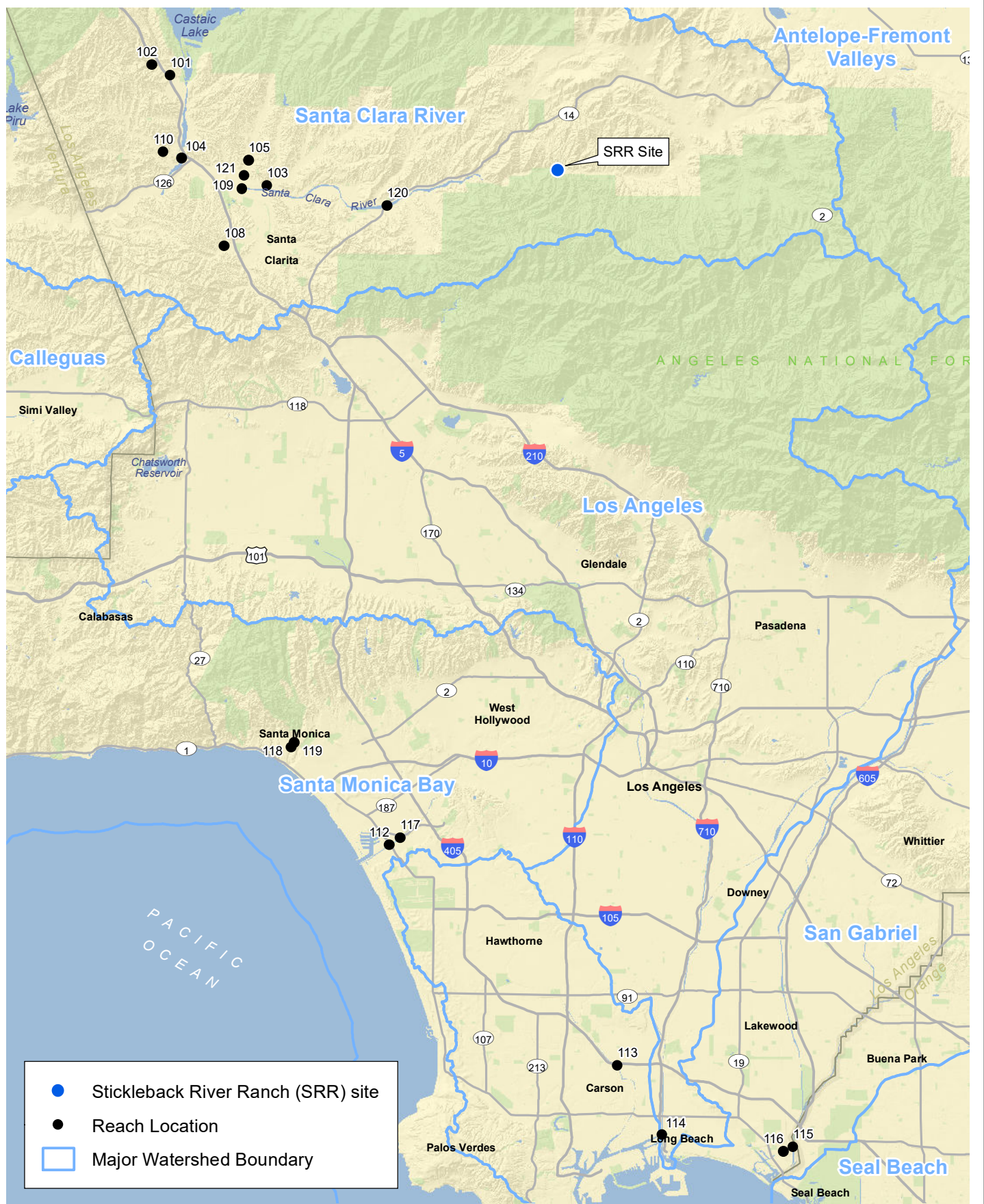
ntmoran@dpw.lacounty.gov

Fax _____

626-458-4150

Si necesita asistencia con la traducción a Español, por favor comuníquese con el representante del departamento de Obras Públicas del Condado de Los Angeles, Sr. Art Correa (626) 458-3948.

ADA and Title VI Accommodations: Individuals requiring reasonable accommodations, interpretation services, and materials in other languages or in an alternate format may contact the department coordinator at (626) 458-7901. Requests must be made one week in advance of the scheduled meeting date. Individuals with hearing or speech impairment may use California Relay Service 711.



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Regional Location

Attachment 1

Long-term Streambed Alteration Agreement for the Soft-Bottom Channel Maintenance Plan for Select Reaches

