

Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

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SCH # 2022040153

Project Title: MacArthur Lake Stormwater Capture Project

Lead Agency: City of Los Angeles Department of Public Works, LA Sanitation & Environment Contact Person: Carmen Andrade
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 City: Los Angeles Zip: 90015 County: Los Angeles

Project Location: County: Los Angeles City/Nearest Community: Los Angeles/Westlake
 Cross Streets: W. 7th Street between S. Park View Street and S. Lake Street Zip Code: 90057

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 34 ° 03 ' 28.3 " N / 118 ° 16 ' 45.1 " W Total Acres: Approximately 2.5 acres

Assessor's Parcel No.: 5141-003-900 and Public Rights-of-Way Section: 11 Twp.: 1S Range: 13W Base: _____

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: I-110; I-10; US 101 Waterways: _____
 Airports: _____ Railways: LA Metro B and D Lines Schools: MacArthur Park Visual and Performing Arts Elementary

Document Type:

CEQA: NOP Draft EIR NEPA: NOI Other: Joint Document
 Early Cons Supplement/Subsequent EIR EA Final Document
 Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) _____ Draft EIS Other: _____
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Local Action Type:

General Plan Update Specific Plan Rezone Annexation
 General Plan Amendment Master Plan Prezone Redevelopment
 General Plan Element Planned Unit Development Use Permit Coastal Permit
 Community Plan Site Plan Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) Other: Stormwater infrastructure improvement

Development Type:

Residential: Units _____ Acres _____ Transportation: Type _____
 Office: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Mining: Mineral _____
 Commercial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Power: Type _____ MW _____
 Industrial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Waste Treatment: Type _____ MGD _____
 Educational: _____ Hazardous Waste: Type _____
 Recreational: _____ Other: Regional stormwater infrastructure improvement
 Water Facilities: Type _____ MGD _____

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

Aesthetic/Visual Fiscal Recreation/Parks Vegetation
 Agricultural Land Flood Plain/Flooding Schools/Universities Water Quality
 Air Quality Forest Land/Fire Hazard Septic Systems Water Supply/Groundwater
 Archeological/Historical Geologic/Seismic Sewer Capacity Wetland/Riparian
 Biological Resources Minerals Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading Growth Inducement
 Coastal Zone Noise Solid Waste Land Use
 Drainage/Absorption Population/Housing Balance Toxic/Hazardous Cumulative Effects
 Economic/Jobs Public Services/Facilities Traffic/Circulation Other: GHG, Tribal Cultural Res

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

Land Use: Open space, commercial; Zoning: OS Open Space, C2 Commercial; GP: Open Space, Community Commercial, and Highway Oriented Commercial

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary)

The proposed project, led by LASAN in partnership with the City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP), would implement a regional multi-benefit stormwater project in MacArthur Park as part of the region's efforts under Los Angeles County's Safe Clean Water Program (SCWP) to meet water quality total maximum daily load (TMDL) limits for the Ballona Creek watershed and the current National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. The proposed project would divert stormwater and dry weather flows from the existing underground storm drain system, treat the water, and discharge it into MacArthur Lake for storage or return it to the storm drain system. Some of the water that is stored in the lake would subsequently be discharged to the sanitary sewer system to make room for additional storage. This process would reduce the amount of stormwater and dry weather flows, and their associated pollutant loads, that directly enter Ballona Creek, the Ballona Creek wetlands, and, ultimately, Santa Monica Bay. The diversion of water from the storm drain system into MacArthur Lake would decrease the amount of potable water that is used to maintain the lake level (i.e., lake refill). Additionally, the proposed project would enhance the park by creating a water feature and providing educational opportunities, such as signage and information boards about stormwater management.

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<input type="checkbox"/> California Emergency Management Agency	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> California Highway Patrol	<input type="checkbox"/> Pesticide Regulation, Department of
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caltrans District # <u>7</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Utilities Commission
<input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Division of Aeronautics	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regional WQCB # <u>4</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Planning	<input type="checkbox"/> Resources Agency
<input type="checkbox"/> Central Valley Flood Protection Board	<input type="checkbox"/> Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy	<input type="checkbox"/> S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm.
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<input type="checkbox"/> Energy Commission	<input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Rights
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fish & Game Region # <u>5</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
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<input type="checkbox"/> Health Services, Department of	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>Southern California Assoc. of Governments</u>
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Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date May 23, 2024 Ending Date July 8, 2024

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

Consulting Firm: <u>CDM Smith</u>	Applicant: <u>LA Sanitation & Environment - Safe Clean Water Implementation Division</u>
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NOTICE OF COMPLETION SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Pursuant to Section 15000 and 15087(a), Title 14, California Code of Regulations, this notice is provided to announce that the City of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works, Los Angeles Sanitation & Environment (LASAN) has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) for the MacArthur Lake Stormwater Capture Project.

Project Location: MacArthur Park (2230 W. 6th Street, Los Angeles, CA) and on adjacent streets south of the park in the Westlake neighborhood in the City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, California.

Project Description: The proposed project would divert a portion of stormwater and dry weather flows from the existing underground storm drain system, treat the water, and discharge it into MacArthur Lake for storage or return it to the storm drain system. Some of the water that is stored in the lake would subsequently be discharged to the sanitary sewer system to make room for additional storage. This process would reduce the amount of stormwater and dry weather flows, and their associated pollutant loads, that directly enter Ballona Creek, the Ballona Creek wetlands, and, ultimately, Santa Monica Bay. The diversion of water from the storm drain system into MacArthur Lake would decrease the amount of potable water that is used to maintain the lake level (i.e., lake refill). Additionally, the proposed project would enhance the park by creating a water feature and providing educational opportunities, such as signage and information boards about stormwater management.

Impacts: The Draft EIR identifies significant and unavoidable impacts relative to construction noise and human annoyance vibration, including project-specific and cumulative impacts. Additionally, the Draft EIR identifies potentially significant impacts that are mitigable to a less than significant level relative to biological resources and cultural/paleontological resources.

Hazardous Substances or Wastes Site Listing: The project site does not include parcels that are listed on a site enumerated under Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code, which identifies sites known to contain hazardous waste facilities, land designated as hazardous waste property, hazardous waste disposal sites and others.

Availability: The DEIR will be circulated for public review beginning on May 23, 2024 and ending on July 8, 2024. The document is available for review at the following locations:

- LASAN Website: <http://www.lacitysan.org/ceqa>
- MacArthur Park Community Center: 2230 W. 6th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90057
- Felipe De Neve Branch Library: 2820 W. 6th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90057
- LASAN Main Office–Receptionist Desk: 1149 S. Broadway, 9th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90015

Public Comments: Written comments on the environmental issues addressed in the EIR must be submitted by **5:00 p.m., Pacific Time, Monday, July 8, 2024**. Comments can be submitted by email to san.safecleanwater@lacity.org, or by conventional mail to the following address: LA Sanitation & Environment – Safe Clean Water Implementation Division, Attention: Carmen Andrade, 1149 S. Broadway, 10th Floor MS: 1149/756, Los Angeles, CA 90015.

Virtual Public Meeting: A virtual public meeting will be held on Tuesday June 18, 2024, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. the meeting will be conducted in both English and Spanish. No decisions on the Project will be made at the virtual meeting. Questions and comments raised during the meeting will not be considered to be official comments on the Draft EIR. Official comments on the Draft EIR must be submitted in writing as described under “Public Comments.” Find more information regarding the meeting on LASAN’s website at <http://www.lacitysan.org/ceqa>.