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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

May 27, 2021

Subject: Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Proposed Sixth Street Park, Arts, River, and Connectivity Improvements (PARC) Project
State Clearinghouse No. (SCH#) 2017041045

The Sixth Street Viaduct Division of the City of Los Angeles (City) Department of Public Works (DPW), Bureau of Engineering (BOE), is proposing the construction of the Sixth Street Park, Arts, River & Connectivity Improvements (PARC) Project (proposed Project) (see attached Project Location Map). As the CEQA Lead Agency, the City has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR), which evaluates the potential environmental effects of the proposed Project. The City is requesting input on the Draft EIR from public agencies, residents, and other interested project stakeholders. The contents of this Notice of Availability have been prepared in accordance with Section 15087 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.

Environmental Impacts

The analysis contained in the Draft EIR determined that the proposed Project would not result in significant unavoidable impacts during proposed construction activities or operation of the proposed Project with the implementation of mitigation measures.

Proposed Project Elements

The proposed Project would create public recreational space on approximately 13 acres in areas underneath and adjacent to the upcoming Sixth Street Viaduct. Features of the proposed Project include, but are not limited to, a café, concession area, public restrooms on each side of the LA River, performance and public gathering areas, flexible play areas and lawns, adult fitness equipment, dog play areas, landscaped areas, public art, sports fields and courts, children's play areas and splash pad, picnic and grilling areas, parking spaces, skate park elements, bicycle and pedestrian paths, roadway connectivity improvements stormwater infrastructure improvements, and rain gardens. In addition, the proposed Project could include the installation of reinforced concrete planted terraces on the west and east banks of the LA River. The proposed Project generally includes components noted in the Los Angeles River Revitalization Master Plan.

Public Review Period

The Draft EIR public review and comment period begins May 27, 2021 and ends on July 26, 2021. The Draft EIR is available online at the Bureau of Engineering website: <https://eng.lacity.org/about-us/divisions/environmental-management/projects/sixth-street-park-arts-river-connectivity-improvements-parc>

Hard copies may also be viewed at the following locations:

- Central Library, 630 West 5th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90071
- Robert L Stevenson Library, 803 Spence Street, Los Angeles, CA 90023
- East Los Angeles County Library, 4837 East 3rd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90022
- BH Technology Center, 1600 East 4th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90033

Public Meeting

Due to the global pandemic, a virtual public meeting in English and Spanish will be held on **July 14, 2021 at 6:30 PM** on Zoom. In-person accommodation, at a location in or near Boyle Heights, will also be made available for anyone requiring access to a screen or internet connection. Details about the in-person location will be available closer to the meeting date. Meeting information and registration is available below. Registration will remain open until the meeting begins.



A notice regarding the public review period and how to access the public meeting will be posted on the BOE project website prior to the meeting: <https://eng.lacity.org/about-us/divisions/environmental-management/projects/sixth-street-park-arts-river-connectivity-improvements-parc>, and published in the *DTLA News* in English and *La Opinion* in Spanish. Project stakeholders will also receive email notification.

Comments

Please send comments on the Draft EIR to:

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Comments may also be submitted by e-mail to jan.green.rebstock@lacity.org. Remember to:

- Send your comments in letter format as an attachment to the email;
- Include a mailing address in the comment letter; and
- Include “Sixth Street PARC Draft EIR Comments” in the subject line.

Following the close of the comment period, the City will consider and prepare responses to the comments received and compile a Final EIR. The Final EIR will be posted online at the Bureau of Engineering website: <https://eng.lacity.org/about-us/divisions/environmental-management/projects/sixth-street-park-arts-river-connectivity-improvements-parc>. All responses to comments submitted on the DEIR by public agencies will be provided to those agencies at least 10 days prior to final action on the proposed Project. The Board of Public Works and City Council Committee(s) may consider and make recommendations to the Los Angeles City Council regarding the Final EIR. The Los Angeles City Council will make findings regarding the extent and nature of the environmental impacts as described in the Final EIR. The Final EIR will need to be certified by the City prior to making a decision to approve or deny the Proposed Project. Public input is encouraged at all public hearings before the City.

For additional information about the environmental review process, please email Jan.Green.Rebstock@lacity.org.

Site Location Map

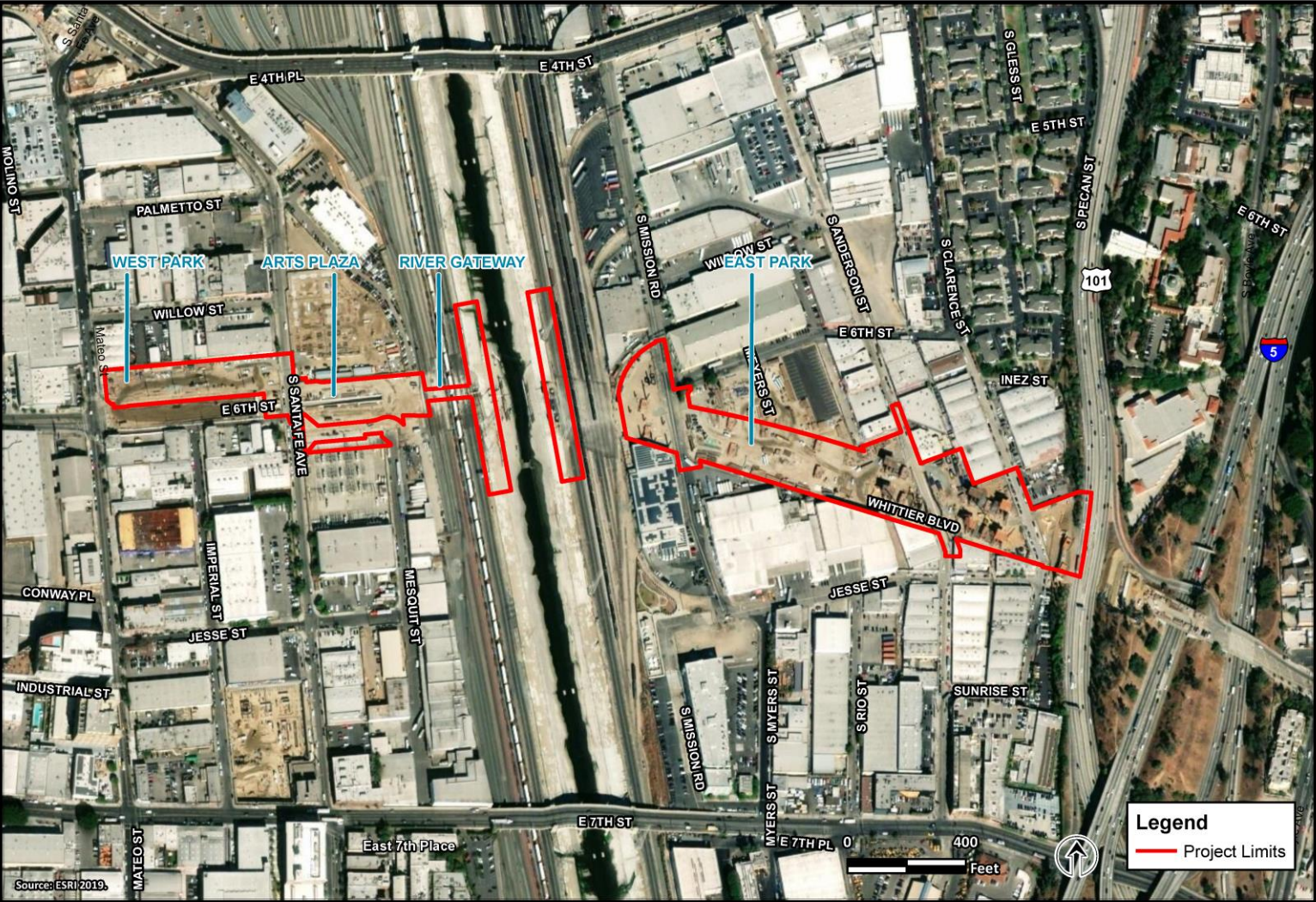


FIGURE 2-3. PROJECT SITE
Sixth Street PARC Project