

TNC's SCWP application stated a survey would be conducted as part of our community engagement strategy. State Parks, TNC's partner and property owner of the Bowtie Demonstration Project, conducted a survey to gauge community priorities in 2021 in order to inform development of the Bowtie Parcel and the 100 Acre Partnership, of which State Parks is a member, completed a subsequent design survey to identify preferred designs for a collective project known as Paseo del Rio in the summer and fall of 2022. Both surveys were distributed in the four neighborhoods closest to the Bowtie Demonstration Project: Elysian Valley Riverside, Greater Cypress Park, Glassell Park, and Atwater Village. Given these existing surveys, TNC and State Parks are concerned over survey fatigue in the community if we were to share another and ask for additional feedback. After an analysis of our partners' surveys from 2021 and the fall of 2022, TNC believes we have received sufficient feedback regarding community preferences and have been able to incorporate these preferences into design through the prioritization of habitat restoration and opportunities for the public to connect with nature.

Below are questions that are relevant to the Bowtie Demonstration Project in the Paseo del Rio survey, which reinforce that TNC's project goals align well with the needs of communities surrounding the project site.

1. Nature/Beauty (Choose 3 preferred activities)
 - a. Top three choices were: Enjoying Nature, Sunset Viewing, and Water Conservation Native Gardens
2. Health/Wellness (Choose 3 preferred activities)
 - a. Top three choices were: Biking, Relaxing/Finding Peace, Walking
3. Please select the species you are most interested in restoring habitat for
 - a. Top three choices were: Yellow Breasted Chat, Great Blue Heron, Monarch Butterfly
4. Top 5 reported zip codes
 - a. 90065 Cypress Park/Glassell Park
 - b. 90031 Cypress Park/Elysian Valley/Lincoln Heights/Montecito Heights
 - c. 90039 Elysian Valley/Atwater Village
 - d. 90042 Highland Park
 - e. 90026 Echo Park/Angelino Heights

Below is a summary within TNC's Design Review Memo, prepared by our design consultant, Stantec, that summarizes State Parks' amenities survey which concluded in March 2022. All of State Parks' commitments are included within the Demonstration Project.

State Parks hired a consulting team to assist with outreach and facilities planning for the full 18-acre Bowtie Parcel in 2021. TNC worked closely with State Parks and their team to coordinate outreach and engagement activities. The conceptual design team invited TNC to participate and

table at Clockshop’s Community & Unity Kite Festival 2021 at LA State Historic Park on July 17, 2021. TNC also participated and presented at a community event on October 16, 2021, at Rio de Los Angeles State Park and at Sotomayor Learning Academies on March 5, 2022. In 2021, Clockshop’s efforts alone engaged over 2,000 individuals through in-person community events and a community survey. After a year of community engagement, the Bowtie Youth Council outlined the community’s demands in a letter to California State Parks. In response, State Parks reaffirmed the importance of the community’s demands through their commitments to the Bowtie Demonstration Project (Table 5).

Table 5. Summary of Community Priorities and State Parks’ Commitments to the Community

Community Values	Community Priorities	State Parks’ Commitments
Nature and Habitat Restoration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design with native landscaping features • Restore wetland habitat and support wildlife 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop the project with site-appropriate native habitats and restoration as key components
Open Spaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide opportunities for the community to interact with the landscape, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accessible trails • Tree canopied seating areas • Green open spaces for picnicking 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Balance the desire of supporting wildlife and habitat while also providing opportunities for people to enjoy nature and open space
Safety and Accessibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify adequate access points to the park to ensure safety and accessibility • Confirm safety protocols of the site (treat contaminated soil, assess flood and storm risks, erect safety barriers near the river) • Provide support to the unhoused community in the area 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design a park that will be both safe and comfortable for the wide variety of park users
Land Sovereignty and History	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Honor and value the history of the project’s land through: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land acknowledgements • Educational programs on history of local indigenous people, • Dedicated native and sacred plant gardens onsite • Future collaborations with local tribes on restoration efforts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to build lasting partnerships with local indigenous groups both in and beyond the park planning stage
Community Installations and Programming	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create historical, cultural, and environmental installations or programs to provide interactive educational opportunities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to seek out and support opportunities that will create meaningful and relevant programming and events