

Central Santa Monica Bay Watershed Area Steering Committee (WASC) Meeting Minutes



Tuesday, September 27, 2022
10:00am - 12:00pm
WebEx Meeting

Committee Members Present:

*Mark Beltran, LA County Flood Control District (Agency)
E.J. Caldwell, West Basin Metropolitan Water District (Agency)
*Art Castro, LA City Water and Power (Agency)
Sheila Brice, LA City Sanitation and Environment (Agency)
*Darryl Ford, LA City Recreation & Parks (Agency)
Alysen Weiland, PSOMAS (Community)
*Maggie Gardner, LA Waterkeeper (Community)
Edgar Campos, T.R.U.S.T. South LA (Community)
Josette Descalzo, Beverly Hills (Municipal)
Sean Singletary, Culver City (Municipal)
Rafael Prieto, Los Angeles (Municipal)
Susie Santilena, Los Angeles (Municipal), Chair
*Geremew Amenu, Los Angeles County (Municipal)
Curtis Castle, Santa Monica (Municipal)
Michelle Struthers, S. Groner Associates (Watershed Coordinator, non-voting member)
Mikaela Randolph, Heal the Bay (Watershed Coordinator, non-voting member)

*Committee Member Alternate

Committee Members Not Present:

Rita Kampalath, LA County Chief Sustainability Office (Community), Vice-Chair
Gloria Walton, The Solutions Project/SCOPE (Community)
Roberto Perez, Los Angeles (Municipal)

See attached sign-in sheet for full list of attendees.

1. Welcome and Introductions

District Staff conducted a brief tutorial on WebEx. Susie Santilena, Chair of the Central Santa Monica Bay (CSMB) WASC, welcomed Committee Members and called the meeting to order.

District Staff facilitated the roll call of Committee Members. All Committee Members made self-introductions and a quorum was established.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes from August 23, 2022

Chair Santilena asked if Committee Members had comments on or questions about the meeting minutes. Member Curtis Castle made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Member Josette Descalzo. The Committee voted to approve the August 23, 2022 minutes, with 11 votes in favor and 2 votes in abstention (approved, see vote tracking sheet attached).

3. Committee Member and District Updates

District Staff provided an update, noting:

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- On August 9, 2022, the Board of Supervisors (Board) voted to continue meeting virtually, acting under the authority of Assembly Bill 361 which authorizes public committees to meet without complying with all the teleconferencing requirements of the Brown Act. The Board is reviewing its position on this issue every 30 days.
- The Board has reopened the meeting hearing room to the public, installed with newly enhanced room filtration systems. Special guidelines will be in place such as a masking requirement for all attendees. The room will be limited to 100 public attendees.
- The Round 4 Call for Projects for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (FY23-24) closed on July 31, 2022. District Staff finished the project application completeness checks. In the CSMB WASC, 3 IP, 1 SS, and 1 TRP projects were submitted.
- Quarterly reports for IP and SS developers were due on August 15, 2022 and will be discussed at a future WASC meeting. Past-due reports must still be completed even if no project activities have occurred.
- Every Committee Member is required to fill out Form 700. A Form 700 is required when a member is assuming office for the first time (part of the onboarding process), continuing to serve on a committee (annual requirement), leaving a committee (part of the offboarding process), or changing roles within the committee. District Staff will contact individuals who need to fill out these forms.

4. Watershed Coordinator Updates

The Watershed Coordinators shared a quarterly update on current community outreach and engagement efforts. The quarterly report and presentation are available on the SCWP website and attached to these meeting minutes.

Member Amenu asked if demographic information was tracked in the community survey results and Watershed Coordinators explained that the survey does not record this information. However, survey respondent's location data (zip code, city, and nearest cross street) is recorded.

Member Ford expressed interest in learning more about the CAL FIRE funds for school greening and Watershed Coordinator Randolph ensured that any additional information received will be relayed to the WASC.

Member Descalzo asked if the participants at community events are typically local or if they travel from other cities. The Watershed Coordinators explained how the Stoneview Nature Center was an event that garnered participants from various areas, but that smaller events are typically comprised of local residents. The Watershed Coordinators also shared that they intend on having events across the watershed area and mentioned that at a future WASC meeting they can share a map showing event locations. Member Descalzo requested to be invited to future events involving Ballona Creek and Ballona Creek wetlands so he can assist in spreading the information.

5. Public Comment Period

District Staff compiled all public comment cards received by 5:00pm the day before the meeting. No comment cards were received before the meeting. No public comments were shared at today's meeting during this public comment period.

6. Discussion

a) Ex Parte Communication Disclosure

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Member Brice disclosed that she is part of the City of Los Angeles' Safe Clean Water team and has participated in meetings discussing the two Los Angeles Sanitation and Environment (LASAN) projects and the Blackwelder Tract project being discussed later at this meeting.

Chair Santilena disclosed she has also been in meetings and received emails relating to the projects that will be discussed later at this meeting. Chair Santilena also disclosed that she received emails from SEITec staff regarding the MacArthur Park project.

Member Beltran disclosed, on behalf of Member Nguyen, that Member Nguyen has been in discussions with City of Los Angeles staff regarding the Blackwelder Tract project.

b) Summary of submitted FY23-24 Infrastructure Program (IP) Projects, Technical Resources Program (TRP) Concept, and Scientific Study Program (SS) Study

The Watershed Coordinators presented an overview of the Round 4 projects, concept, and scientific study submitted for the CSMB Watershed Area. See attached presentation slides. Chair Santilena reminded the committee that project applicants will be presenting project details at a future meeting.

Mike Antos (Stantec, Regional Coordination) shared that the WASC has the deliberate authority to send all, some, or none of the Infrastructure Program project applications to the Scoring Committee for scoring. Additionally, the WASC has the ability to sequence the projects it recommends advancing to scoring and allows the WASC to further evaluate projects that they have questions or concerns about before submitting for scoring.

c) IP Projects to send to Scoring Committee

- i. Baldwin Vista Green Streets Project
*City of Los Angeles Sanitation and Environment (LASAN)***
- ii. Blackwelder Tract Lower Ballona Creek Green BMPs and Landscape Improvement Project
*California Greenworks 501c3***

District staff noted that the Blackwelder Tract Lower Ballona Creek Green BMPs and Landscape Improvement project does not meet the requirements of the SCWP Implementation Ordinance and is, therefore, not eligible to be sent to the Scoring Committee for evaluation. During the project application completeness check, District staff notified the applicant that the project must belong to a regional water management plan, but no documentation was provided to establish the projects' inclusion. Additionally, project applicants have not secured a letter of support from the City of Los Angeles (underlying Municipality where the proposed project is located) and have not received a Conceptual Approval Letter from the Los Angeles County Flood Control District, which are both requirements of the Feasibility Study Guidelines.

Chair Santilena asked if letters of support could be supplied later during the application process or if it is a requirement prior to application. District staff clarified that the Blackwelder Tract Lower Ballona Creek Green BMPs and Landscape Improvement project will not be able to be scored this cycle because it did not fulfill these requirements.

Watershed Coordinator Randolph noted disappointment regarding this barrier of documentation, especially given the historic lack of non-governmental organization (NGO) applicants in the program and noted that this situation may discourage other NGOs from applying in the future.

Member Singletary agreed that projects submitted from NGOs are important but explained that this project

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has been submitted before and that attempts were made to assist with missing items. The letters of support that were submitted seemed out of date and not directly related to the current project. Member Singletary suggested that the best path for this project may be through the SCWP's Technical Resources Program.

Member Gardner inquired why the project was presented to the WASC if District staff did not deem it eligible during the initial completeness checks. District staff explained that during the completeness check process, District staff notified the applicant of the missing items and gave them the opportunity, prior to this meeting, to provide the missing items. Additionally, the District requested that the Watershed Coordinators prepare a presentation summarizing all the submitted projects, concepts, and studies to be shared with the WASC.

The committee discussed how NGOs are not associated with a municipality and most likely do not hold ownership of any municipal parcels. Therefore, NGOs proposing a project must approach a regional water management plan group to discuss how to be included in a regional water management plan. Watershed Coordinator Randolph noted that these kinds of programmatic requirements create inequities for NGOs and that the SCWP should consider creating a system to help NGOs navigate these barriers. Member Descalzo noted that while the inclusion in a regional water management plan may be a programmatic requirement, it addresses the underlying issue of a project not having an agreement with the property owner.

Antos (Stantec, Regional Coordination) clarified with District staff that while the project will not be sent to the Scoring Committee this year, the WASC can decide to invite the project proponent to present in the context of being part of the TRP.

iii. Imperial Highway Green Infrastructure Project *City of Los Angeles Sanitation and Environment (LASAN)*

Chair Santilena requested that the cost share partner's matching percentage for the Imperial Highway Green Infrastructure project shown on the Watershed Coordinator's presentation be verified.

Member Descalzo asked if this project was sent to the committee two fiscal years ago and if this application is the improved version. Chair Santilena suggested clarifying with the project applicant when the applicant presents the project.

d) Continuing to remote WASC meetings or switching to in person meetings

District staff explained that the Board has begun meeting in person, which may indicate the discontinuation of the Board's action to make WASC meetings remote under the authority provided by AB 361. The October WASC meeting will still be held virtually. At this next meeting, District staff will explain potential options and additional information from the Board. The City of Culver City has a meeting room that is available to host in person meetings.

Watershed Coordinator Randolph asked if the Board would consider a hybrid model, citing how public member participation has increased after virtual meetings began. Chair Santilena agrees, noting the benefits of a virtual option for committee members with back-to-back meetings.

7. Public Comment Period

Nancy Ngugi (California Greenworks, 501c3, proponent for Blackwelder Tract Lower Ballona Creek Green BMPs and Landscape Improvement Project) provided a public comment, noting that the SCWP requirements have constantly been evolving since the Program's inception. There have been multiple roadblocks during each application attempt, prompting California Greenworks to work with the City of LA during project development. These recent requests for information from District staff came as a surprise

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because those requirements were never highlighted as necessary prior to scoring. Ngugi asked District staff for more clarity on the form of engagement required. Additionally, Ngugi asked what an NGO should do in the case that public agencies do not have a clear process for NGOs to join their regional WMP. Ngugi explained that California Greenworks was in the process of obtaining letters of support from the City of LA and were told these letters could be submitted at a later date if the project advanced past the scoring stage. Ngugi will send a written comment due to time constraints.

8. Voting Items

a) Send all, none, or select FY 23-24 IP Projects to Scoring Committee

Member Descalzo motioned to send all eligible IP projects to the Scoring Committee, seconded by Member Gardner. The motion was approved, with 14 votes in favor (see voting tracker sheet).

Member Gardner asked District staff to create a future agenda item to address moving the Blackwelder Tract Lower Ballona Creek Green BMPs and Landscape Improvement project to the TRP. Chair Santilena confirmed that the committee would like District staff to discuss with the project applicant about the possibility of pursuing a TRP this year, especially if the next WASC meeting includes presentations for projects for the TRP and Scientific Study.

9. Items for Next Agenda

The next meeting is scheduled for October 25, 2022, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. See the SCWP website for meeting details. Topics on the Agenda include:

- a) FY 23-24 TRP & SS Presentations
- b) Regional Program Quarterly Reporting Summary
- c) Remote WASC or in person meetings

Member Rafael Prieto inquired if there was a formal process for the WASC to voice their support for a hybrid meeting model to the Board. District staff replied that there will be more guidance regarding this after the Board's meeting today and can be discuss at the next WASC meeting.

Member Brice confirmed that the Regional Program Quarterly Reporting Summary will cover Q1 and Q2.

Member Descalzo suggested that remote hybrid locations could be utilized to conduct meetings; the hybrid meetings would satisfy the Brown Act requirements so long as the public has access to attend the in-person meeting locations.

10. Adjournment

Chair Santilena thanked WASC members and the public for their attendance and participation and adjourned the meeting.

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		Quorum Present				Voting Items	
Member Type	Organization	Member	Voting?	Alternate	Voting?	Approval of 08/23/22 Meeting Minutes	Send ALL Eligible FY23-24 IP Projects to Scoring Committee
Agency	Los Angeles County Flood Control District	Cung Nguyen		Mark Beltran	x	A	Y
Agency	West Basin Metropolitan Water District	E.J. Caldwell	x			Y	Y
Agency	Los Angeles City Water & Power	Delon Kwan		Art Castro	x	Y	Y
Agency	Los Angeles City Sanitation and Environment	Sheila Brice	x	Hubertus Cox		Y	Y
Agency	Los Angeles City Recreation & Parks	Cathie Santo Domingo		Darryl Ford	x	Y	Y
Community Stakeholder	Los Angeles County Chief Sustainability Office	Rita Kampalath		Kristen Pawling			
Community Stakeholder	PSOMAS / Business Sector	Alysen Weiland	x			Y	Y
Community Stakeholder	The Solutions Project / SCOPE	Gloria Walton		Gloria Medina			
Community Stakeholder	Los Angeles Waterkeeper	Bruce Reznik		Maggie Gardner	x	Y	Y
Community Stakeholder	T.R.U.S.T. South LA	Edgar Campos	x			Y	Y
Municipal Members	Beverly Hills / West Hollywood	Josette Descalzo	x	Matthew Magener		Y	Y
Municipal Members	Culver City	Sean Singletary	x	Yanni Demitri		Y	Y
Municipal Members	Los Angeles	Roberto Perez					
Municipal Members	Los Angeles	Rafael Prieto	x			Not Present	Y
Municipal Members	Los Angeles	Susie Santilena	x	Ryan Jackson		Y	Y
Municipal Members	Los Angeles County	Bruce Hamamoto		Geremew Amenu	x	A	Y
Municipal Members	Santa Monica	Curtis Castle	x	Selim Eren		Y	Y
Watershed Coordinator	Heal the Bay	Mikaela Randolph	x			N/A	N/A
Watershed Coordinator	S. Groner Associates	Michelle Struthers	x			N/A	N/A
Total Non-Vacant Seats		17			Yay (Y)	11	14
Total Voting Members Present		14			Nay (N)	0	0
Agency		5			Abstain (A)	2	0
Community Stakeholder		3			Total	13	14
Municipal Members		6				Approved	Approved

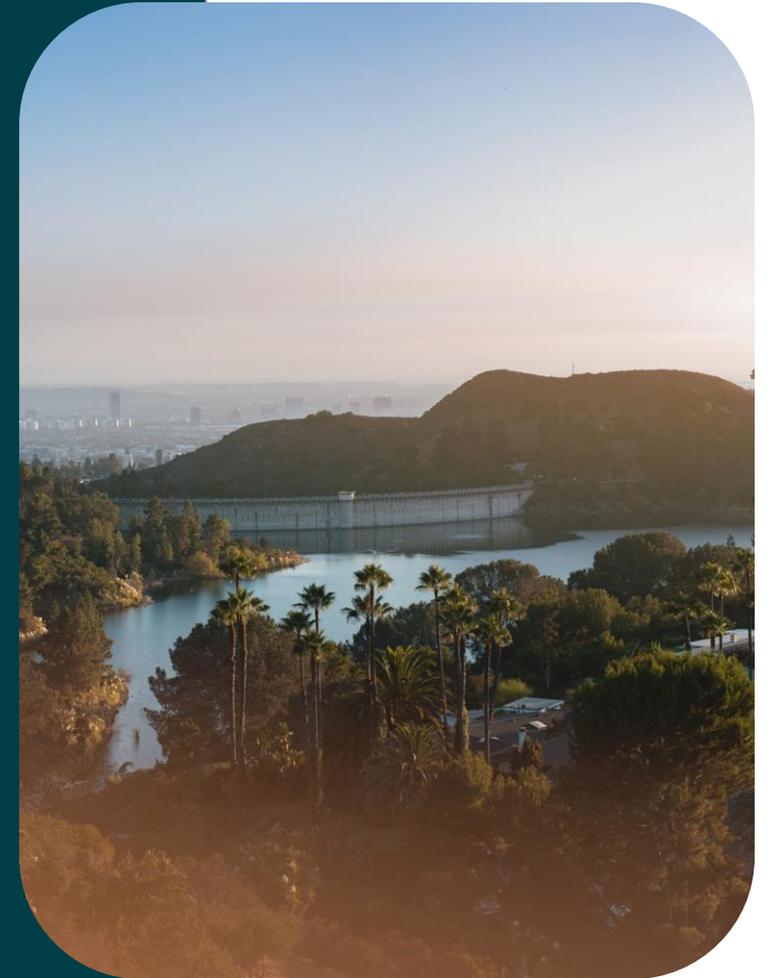
Other Attendees
Brett Perry
Christine McLeod
Conor Mossavi
Johanna Chang
Josafat Flores
Joyce Amaro
Lorena Matos
Marisol Ibarra
Marisol Serrano
Mark Nguyen
Matthew Magener
Nathan Schreiner
Paige Bistromowitz
Ryanna Fossum
Serena Zhu
Nancy Ngugi
Mike Scaduto

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FY 23-24 Project Applications Summary & Watershed Coordinator Q1 Summary

Watershed Coordinators Presentation

September 2022



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MARKETING



— TODAY'S AGENDA

Watershed Coordinator's Quarterly Update

A look at the progress made towards our Annual Goals during Q1 of our contract year

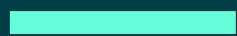
FY 23-24 Applications

Review of projects submitted in the FY 23-24 round

— Watershed Coordinator Quarterly Update

April to July 2022





OUR
FOCUS
AREAS



1

**UNDERSTAND COMMUNITY NEEDS
AND PRIORITIES IN WATERSHED**

2

SOLICIT NEW PROJECTS

3

SUPPORT FUNDED PROJECTS

4

**RAISE PUBLIC AWARENESS ABOUT
THE SCWP**

5

SUPPORT THE WASC

FOCUS AREA: UNDERSTANDING COMMUNITY NEEDS

WORKSHOPS ATTENDED

Event	Date	Summary of Meeting or Event
GLAC Integrated Regional Watershed Management South Bay subcommittee	5/3	Provided a presentation to the South Bay subcommittee of the GLAC IRWM on the Safe Clean Water Program and Watershed Coordinator Role
WaterTalks for Agencies and Electeds	5/5	Workshop for public agency staff and elected officials to strengthen integrated watershed management across LA County.
Baldwin Hills Resilience and Access Plan	5/18	Convened by SLATE-Z and the Baldwin Hills Conservancy to better understand Baldwin Hills Parkland usage and barriers to access
South L.A. Transformative Climate Community	5/24	Meeting convened by Slate-Z to discuss planned Climate implementation projects.
Tribal Allyship for Water Justice	5/25	Workshop held by Sacred Places Institute for Indigenous Peoples and TreePeople about local indigenous tribal community leaders focused on water.

FOCUS AREA: UNDERSTANDING COMMUNITY NEEDS

WORKSHOPS ATTENDED

Event	Date	Summary of Meeting or Event
Credit Management Workshop	6/13	Held by the District.
Santa Monica Bay Restoration Governing Board	6/16	Attended governing board meeting to understand interest in the Santa Monica Bay and alignment with Safe Clean Water program goals
Living Schoolyard Convening	6/22	A convening by the Living Schoolyard Coalition to elevate schoolyards as an opportunity for greening and stormwater management
IRWM Steering Committee Meeting	7/5	Attended steering committee meeting which focused on Prop 1 Round 2 funding.

FOCUS AREA: UNDERSTANDING COMMUNITY NEEDS

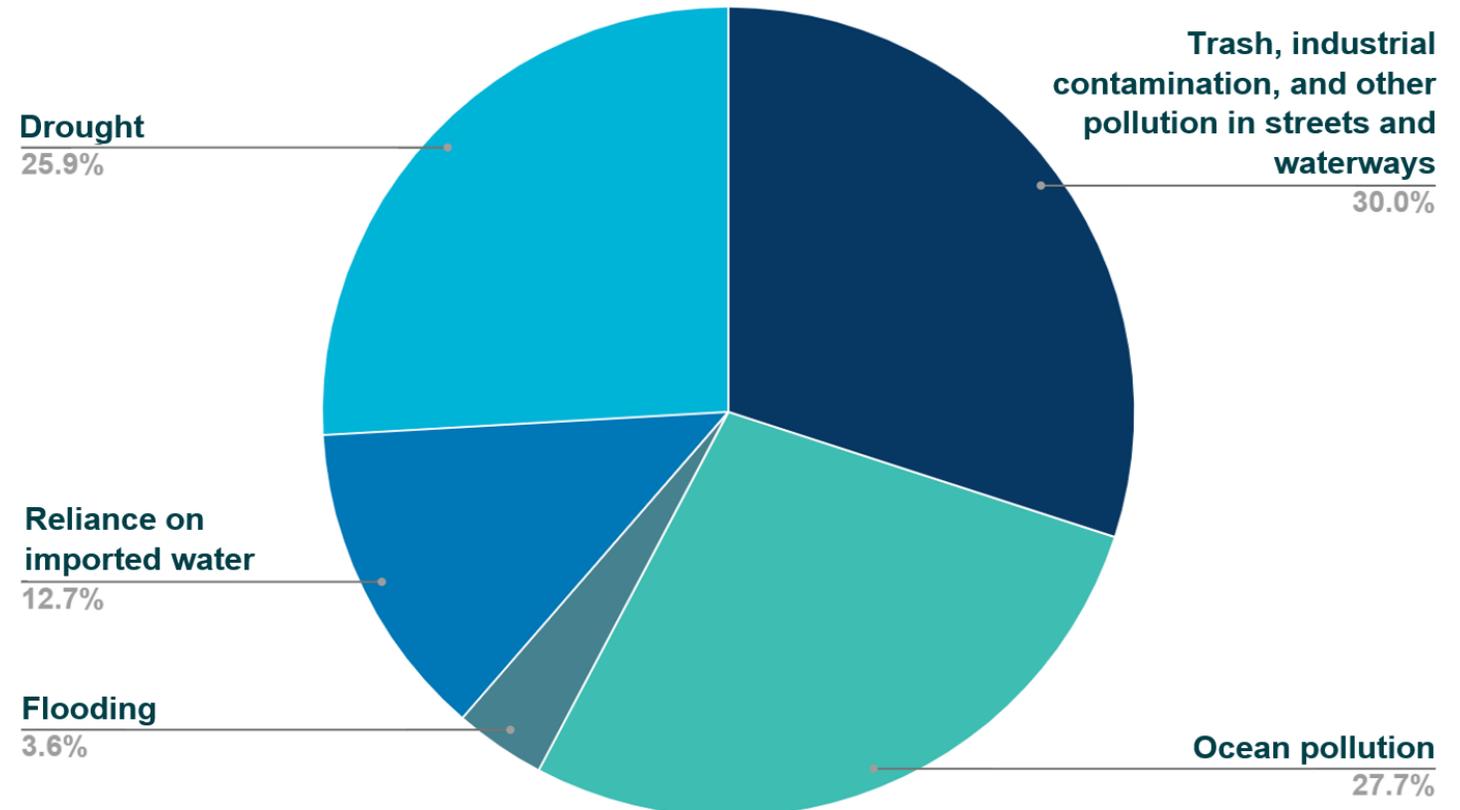
COMMUNITY SURVEY RESULTS

Summary of Responses:

309 Total Responses

88 CSMB Responses

What water-related issues are of greatest concern in your community?



This chart depicts answers from the CSMB watershed.

FOCUS AREA: UNDERSTANDING COMMUNITY NEEDS

COMMUNITY SURVEY RESULTS

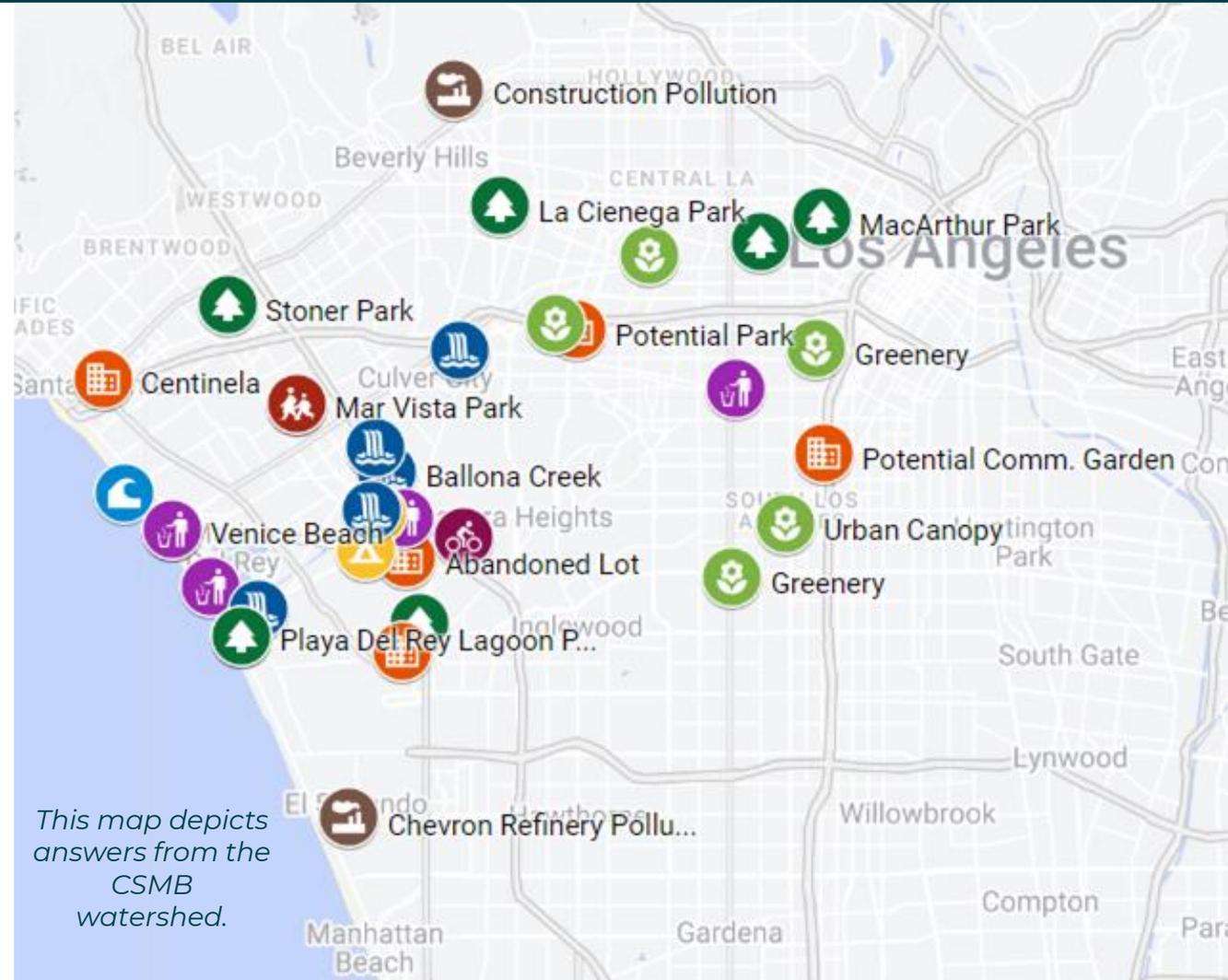
What is one outdoor area in your community that is in need of beautification or improvement?

“Make Ballona creek path greener. Trees for shade please.”

“There's an empty lot at 5141 W Adams Blvd that could make a nice pocket park with trees and perhaps a small multi-benefit, water-quality-enhancing project with signage to inform the public.”

“When big developments continue to discharge massive amounts of water into the storm drains as they are digging multiple stories down. Melrose Triangle at Doheny in West Hollywood.”

“Need local small parks for children in Westchester”



FOCUS AREA: SOLICIT NEW PROJECTS

STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS

Stakeholders Engaged	Date	Summary of Meeting or Event
LAUSD School Board Member Goldberg	4/12	Attended meeting to discuss schoolyards as a response to climate activism. Discussed water management and the upcoming MS4 permit guidance
Alysen Weiland - PSOMAS	4/14	Discussed potential project concepts from PSOMAS' client base
Deloitte Consulting	4/14	Met to discuss infrastructure interest with Deloitte representative, informed them about Safe Clean Water program
LASAN	4/25	Monthly coordination meeting
Sacred Places Institute	4/26	Monthly meeting between Heal the Bay and Sacred Places Institute
Green L.A. Meeting	4/28	Convened by Heal the Bay - discussed regional water issues
Westwood Greenway Project Team	5/5	Introductory meeting to discuss their greenway project
LASAN	5/23	Monthly coordination meeting
Angelenos for Green Schools	6/3	Met with a parent group interested in school greening and better understanding of the Safe Clean Water program
Westwood Greenway	6/8	Met with Westwood Greenway volunteers to tour and discuss Safe Clean Water program and the Greenway project
Climate Action Santa Monica	6/27	Provided workshop to Climate Action Santa Monica Youth Corps on drought and Safe Clean Water best management practices
Sr Sustainability Specialist - LAUSD	6/29	Discussed LAUSD stormwater project opportunities
Sierra Club	6/30	Discussed Safe Clean Water and development and de-watering practices
Blackwelder Tract Project Team, LACFCD, and LASAN	7/7	Attended group meeting organized by LACFCD to discuss Cal Greenwork's plan to submit an application for FY23-24
Edgar Campos - TRUST South LA	7/13	Met with WASC Member Edgar Campos to discuss the Strategic Outreach and Engagement Plan and strategies to engage CBOs
NAACP -Santa Monica	7/29	Met with Nate and Vic Bullock to discuss opportunities for the Santa Monica NAACP chapter to engage in more environmental efforts including water. Discussed Safe Clean Water efforts

FOCUS AREA: SOLICIT NEW PROJECTS

E-NEWSLETTER FOR INTERESTED PARTIES



Regional Funding Application Reminders & Events

May 4, 2022
IN THIS EMAIL:

TRP Application Requirements
Applicant Requirement: Info Session Attendance
Watershed Coordinator Support
Upcoming Events

TRP Application Requirements

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TRP Application Requirements

The Technical Resources Program (TRP) funds the development of Project Feasibility Studies so that a project concept may qualify to apply for Infrastructure Funding. Some slight changes have been made to the TRP application for the FY 23-24 funding round.

If you are considering applying for TRP funding this round, we recommend you familiarize yourself with the TRP application requirements. It is understood that some project concepts may not be fully developed; that does not necessarily exclude the project concept from being eligible for TRP funding.

To view the TRP application, create an account on the [Safe Clean Water Program portal](#), sign in, select the "My Technical Resources" tab, and click "Add New" to start an application.

[Make An Account To View The TRP Application Here](#)

Applicant Requirement: Info Session Attendance

Projects applying for Infrastructure Program funding must attend the upcoming Regional Call For Projects information session. The info session is still being scheduled and will happen in May or June 2022. In the meantime, you can view last year's info session [recording and presentation here](#).

[Check Back Here For Info Session Schedule](#)

Applying? Contact Your Watershed Coordinator

A friendly reminder that if you are considering applying for Safe Clean Water funding for FY 23-24, now is the time to contact your Watershed Coordinator.

The Program is now accepting applications for the Fiscal Year 23-24 round which closes on July 31, 2022. Any project lead considering applying for funding is encouraged to contact their Watershed Coordinator who can provide guidance on the application process, gaining community and municipal support, and identifying cost-share opportunities.

[Find Your Watershed Coordinator Here](#)

Upcoming Events

WaterTalks For Agencies and Electeds

May 5, 16, and 18, 2022 on Zoom



The WaterTalks team is hosting a series of Zoom workshops called WaterTalks for Agencies and Electeds! This series on Integrated Water Management, Community Partnerships, Tribal Engagement, and a Tour of Sustainable Sites will begin in early May. Please reserve your spot for your region (or if you can't make the one in your region, choose a date best suited for your schedule).

FOCUS AREA: SOLICIT NEW PROJECTS

REGIONAL COLLABORATION



A promotional graphic for the Schools & Stormwater Symposium. It features a background image of a school building with a blue door and a ramp. In the top left corner, there is a logo for the 'SAFE CLEAN WATER PROGRAM' which includes a stylized water drop icon. The main text is arranged in two overlapping circles: a white circle on the left containing 'JOIN US!' and 'May 19th, 2022 9AM - Noon PST', and a dark teal circle on the right containing 'SCHOOLS & STORMWATER SYMPOSIUM: A MULTI-BENEFIT OPPORTUNITY'. In the bottom right corner, there is text: 'Presented in collaboration with LA County Watershed Coordinators: Council for Watershed Health, Day One, Heal the Bay, TreePeople, and Melina Sempill Watts Consulting, LLC'.

Council for Watershed Health is pleased to invite you to the upcoming 1-day Schools & Stormwater Symposium. This exciting event is hosted in partnership with [Watershed Coordinators](#) for L.A. County's [Safe Clean Water Program!](#)

Schools and Stormwater Symposium: A Multi-Benefit Opportunity
May 19th, 2022, Virtual on Zoom
9 AM-Noon PST

June 22, 2022 - School & Stormwater Symposium

FOCUS AREA: SUPPORT FUNDED PROJECTS

FUNDING & COMMUNITY OUTREACH GUIDANCE

PROVIDE ONGOING COMMUNITY OUTREACH GUIDANCE

- *Assisted the Syd Kronenthal Park project team with identifying interested parties to do outreach to*
- *Published an updated Interested Parties database*

FOCUS AREA: SUPPORT FUNDED PROJECTS

LEVERAGING OUTSIDE FUNDS

CATALOG AND SHARE COST-SHARING OPPORTUNITIES

- *Researched and catalogued new external funding opportunities on the cost-share database*
- *Opportunities to note:*
 - *RPOSD's Measure A Recreation Access Program: Sept 29., 2022*
 - *NAWCA Small Grants - Migratory Birds Habitat: Oct. 13, 2022*
 - *CA Dept Fish and Wildlife Environmental Enhancement Fund (EEF): Oct. 18, 2022*
 - *Baldwin Hills Conservancy Competitive Grant: Oct 31, 2022 & Dec 31, 2022*
 - *Coastal Commission Whale Tail Grant: Nov. 4, 2022*
 - *DWR Riverine Stewardship Program: Ongoing*
 - *CALFIRE \$150M for School Greening - Details upcoming*

[VIEW COST-SHARE DATABASE HERE >](#)

FOCUS AREA: RAISE PUBLIC AWARENESS ABOUT THE SCWP

COMMUNITY EVENTS



May 21: Friends of Ballona Migration Celebration

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COMMUNITY EVENTS



April 9: Stoneview Nature Center 5th Anniversary

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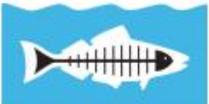
COMMUNITY EVENTS



April 16: Will Rogers Earth Day Resilience Fest

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COMMUNITY EVENTS



Heal the Bay

**Stoneview Nature Center
Urban BioBlitz Prep**



**SAFE
CLEAN
WATER**



April 30: BioBlitz at Stoneview Nature Center

FOCUS AREA: RAISE PUBLIC AWARENESS ABOUT THE SCWP

COMMUNITY EVENTS



July 10: CicLAvia South L.A.

— Summary of Project Applications

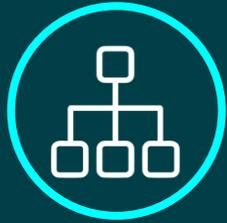
FY 23-24 Round



FY 23-24 Project Applications



**3 Infrastructure
Program (IP)
Projects**



**1 Technical
Resources
Program (TRP)
Concept**



**1 Scientific
Studies Program
(SS)
Study**



INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM PROJECT

Blackwelder Tract Lower Ballona Creek Green BMPs and Landscape Improvement Project

Project Lead: California Greenworks 501c3

Additional Collaborators: Duane Border Designs; CCC

Funding Requested: \$5,716,653 for Planning, Design, Construction and O&M

BMP Type: Bioinfiltration

Location: Blackwelder Tract, Los Angeles, CA 90016

Timeline: Planning completion (Jan 2024); Design completion (Jan 2024); Construction completion (May 2024)

Cost-share: None

Project Description: Bioinfiltration at the Blackwelder tract supports stormwater and pollutant removal systems, and provides educational and community resources.

Benefits include:

- Improves flood management and flood risk mitigation via vegetation swales.
- New and improved landscape and greenway with pedestrian trail and garden seating will enhance public access to green space and the creek, and provide habitat restoration.
- Pedestrian and bike paths will feed into interactive/educational gardens with mostly native vegetation, and connect the Baldwin Hills Overlook to the Lower Ballona Creek
- Removes impermeable area, reduces heat island effect and improves air quality.

Claimed Disadvantaged Community Benefit:

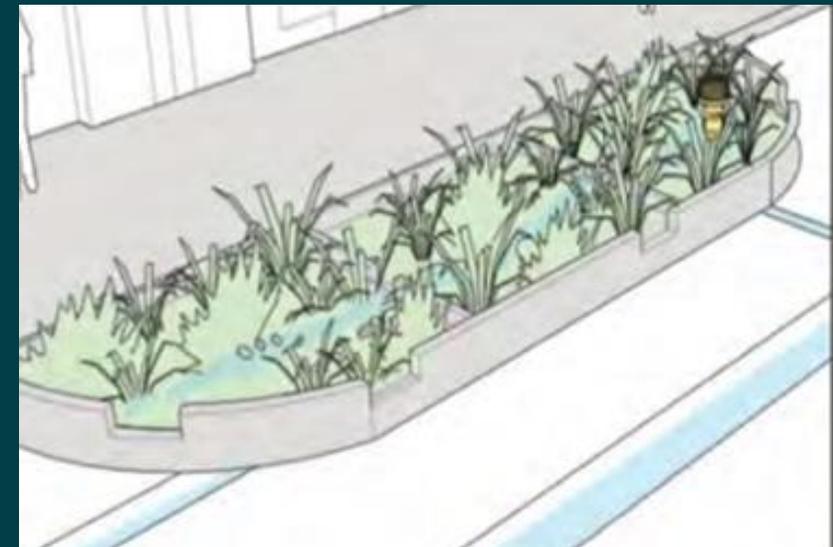
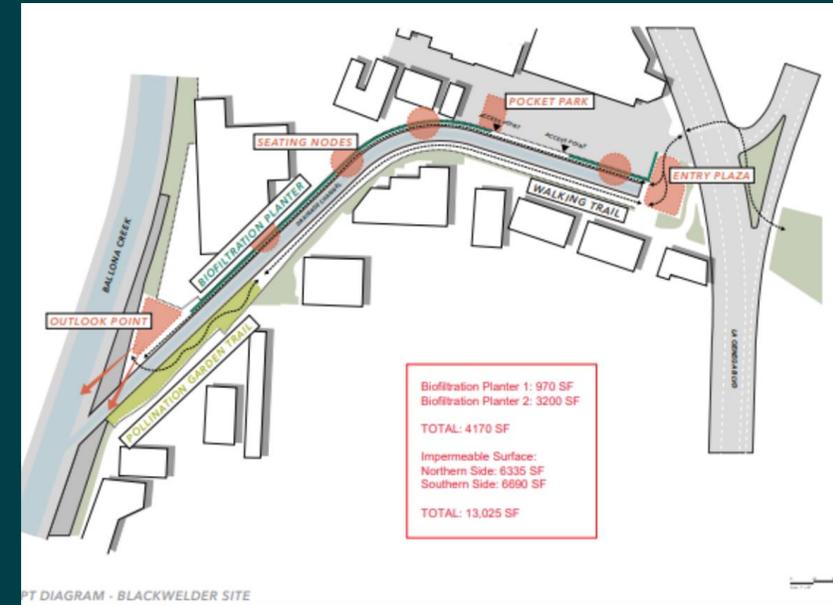
- Located within a census tract designated disadvantaged
- New green space, recreation, and pollution reduction in a park-poor area
- Connects two nearby green spaces to create a continuous green infrastructure network
- Pocket park with early science learning opportunities for children

Letters of Support From:

- Los Angeles Conservation Corps
- Ballona Creek Renaissance

Notes:

- Missing Letter of Support from Municipality
- Missing Conceptual Approval from District
- Applicant has not demonstrated their project is part of a regional water management plan or that they have engaged with a regional water management group (Ordinance requirement)



INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM PROJECT

Imperial Highway Green Infrastructure Project

Project Lead: LA Sanitation and Environment

Additional Collaborators: Los Angeles World Airport Authority; City of El Segundo

Funding Requested: \$5,232,000 for Planning, Design, Construction and O&M

BMP Type: Infiltration Well

Location: Imperial Highway from California Street to Vista del Mar, Los Angeles, CA 90045

Timeline: Planning completion (June 2024); Design completion (Late 2025); Construction completion (Dec 2027)

Cost Share: \$6,416,000 (~~92%~~) **55%**

Project Description: Project located along Imperial Highway designed to capture and treat the 85th percentile storm using infiltration drywells and bioswales.

Benefits include:

- Use of green infrastructure (drywells, street trees, and bioswales) to help alleviate flooding at the intersection of Imperial Highway and Main Street.
- Improves water quality at Dockweiler State Beach using drywells and bioswales.
- Improves bicycle path with safety features.
- Replaces 13,000 SF of impervious pavement with green space, adding 30 new trees and creation of bird habitat.

Claimed Disadvantaged Community Benefit:

- Project is not located within a census tract designated disadvantaged. However it:
- Provides access to recreational activities leading up to and along Dockweiler State Beach.
- Enhances water quality and provide safe pedestrian and bicycle access to the beach.
- Seeks to create bicycle and pedestrian safe routes to Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) facilities located in the north area of the Project site.



Letters of Support From:

- City of El Segundo City Council
- Tracey Miller-Zarneke Chair, El Segundo Public Works/Environmental Committee
- El Segundo Chamber of Commerce
- City of El Segundo Acting City Manager
- El Segundo Unified School District
- California Native Plant Society
- 5 resident letters of support

INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM PROJECT

Baldwin Vista Green Streets Project

Project Lead: LA Sanitation and Environment

Funding Requested: \$ 6,097,900 for Planning, Design, Construction and O&M

BMP Type: Infiltration Well

Location: 5298 Coliseum Street, Los Angeles, CA 90008

Timeline: Planning completion (Early 2024); Design completion (Late 2024); Construction completion (Late 2026)

Cost Share: \$1,389,466 (18.56%)

Project Description: Multi-benefit project on Coliseum Street designed to capture and treat the 85th percentile storm using drywells, bioswales, and trees.

Benefits include:

- Addition of 13 dual drywells.
- Addresses flooding issues along Coliseum Street.
- Adds 40 street trees, 300 SF of bioswales with native vegetation, and restoring habitat for birds and other species.
- Enhances walkability and bikeability of the streets.
- Reduces heat island effect and improves air quality.

Claimed Disadvantaged Community Benefit:

- Less than 0.1 miles from the nearest Disadvantaged Community (DAC).
- Project will enhance local stormwater quality for multiple DAC areas adjacent to the Project site.

Letters of Support From:

- Council District 10
- Empowerment Congress West Area Neighborhood Development Council
- 10 resident letters of support



TECHNICAL RESOURCES PROGRAM CONCEPT

Hollywood Bowl Stormwater Quality Improvement and Sustainability Project

Project Lead: Mark Ladd, Hollywood Bowl Operations

Additional Collaborators: Elaine Nesbit, Project Manager for LA Philharmonic; Mike Rudd, Geosyntec Consultants

Funding Requested: \$300,000

BMP Type: Infiltration Well

Location: 2301 N Highland Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90068

Project Description: Multi-benefit project to improve water quality and sustainability by capturing, treating and/or infiltrating stormwater runoff.

Benefits include:

- Capturing and treating stormwater runoff from the main parking areas and a portion of the adjacent neighborhood through drywell systems, bioswales, and porous pavement.
- Creating public picnic areas and more green space.
- Planting trees and native plants.

Claimed Disadvantaged Community Benefit:

- Within 0.5 miles of a Disadvantaged and Low-income Community.
- Enhances local stormwater quality for downstream DAC areas.
- The Hollywood Bowl provides affordable programming and is accessible by the Metro and bus.



SCIENTIFIC STUDIES PROGRAM STUDY

Regional Pathogen Reduction Study

Project Lead: Gateway Water Management Authority

Funding Requested: \$5,103,473.48 across all 4 watersheds

CSMB Funding Requested: \$1,074,324.99

Watersheds Applying for FY 23-24: CSMB, LSGR, ULAR, and RH

Watersheds That Have Funded Study: LLAR, NSMB, SCR, SSMB, and USGR

Timeline: Study completion - Late 2027

Project Description: The latest science will be used to support the reduction of human pathogens and protect human health.

Study Outcomes:

- Determining the sources with the highest risk to human health;
- Identifying the beaches and inland water bodies within the MS4 Permit area where the risk to human health is higher so that E/WMPs can target those areas earlier in the implementation process; and,
- Identifying management actions to address high-risk sources and areas more effectively.

