

Lower Los Angeles River Implementation Advisory Group Committee Meeting

February 28, 2022 | 2 P.M. – 3 P.M.

Online Meeting/ Conference Call

AGENDA

Purpose & Charge: Provide a public venue for discussion of proposed projects related to the Lower LA River, ensure proposed projects are consistent with the goals and objectives of the Lower LA River Revitalization Plan, and maximize multi-use opportunities and community benefits

- **Welcome & Introductions:** Cecilia Salazar, Dan Knapp, Ernesto Rivera, Ezekiel Okoya, Grissel Chavez, Joseph Gonzalez, Marcela Benavides, Meghan Martinez, Michelle Loekman, Carlos Campero, Suely Saro, Laura Cortez.
- **Committee Meeting Summary: December meeting but due to lack of updates, full IAG was cancelled**
- **Discussion Items**
 - LA River Master Plan Update:
 - Draft LARMP 5/13/21 closed; currently being reviewed;
 - Mid-late April 2022 delay to allow for review of comments + look for support for the project
 - Rio Hondo Confluence Project (RHCAP)
 - Update: No updates. LA county looking at Blue Park concept to improve access + low flow channel.
 - efforts focused on supporting RMC and State with the SELA CC and relocation of LA County Flood Control District Imperial Yard.
 - SELA Cultural Center Update:
 - 11/2021 LA County Board of Sup (BOS) motion for roadmap of the project and report back in 90 days (March)-- extension can be granted by request of County CEO--will wait for county updates*.
 - [Following the IAG Committee Meeting on 2/28, we learned that the due date for the Report from the County's CEO is now due to the BOS on 5/1.]
 - After BOS approval CEQA process would start
 - Report to BOS is to include a recommendation for the CEQA Lead Agency.
 - Schematic design of project completed and on website
 - Selaculturalcenter.org for more info.
 - Urban Orchard Project Update:
 - Project began construction on 8/2/21; construction completion 1/2023. Excavation will start in March 2022.

- RMC Update
 - On-going Grant Opportunities (Prop 1):
 - RMC has ongoing call for projects for Prop 1 (water bond; \$30 mill available) & prop 68 (\$17 million for LA river corridor, within 1.5 miles of corridor).
 - Safe Clean Water program coordination for complimentary funding for projects that fit in both. Available for tech assistance, contact Joe.
 - Question: Does Compton Creek qualify for prop 1 & 68: yes. And RMC looking at re-defining map boundaries to expand to tributaries.
 - River Ranger Program:
 - Started as 2020 pilot mode
 - COVID delays. January 2022 kickoff celebration was postponed, may be moved to the spring.
 - Project team check ins continue- this includes consultants for programming.
 - New contractor: SPI (Sacred Places Institute) supporting with indigenous views and perspectives in curriculum and history of the area and indigenous community.
 - Pending Flood Control permit w/ LACFCD; looking to get permit fees waived.
 - Will hold off on signage portion for now to allow for river ambassador to continue. Signage portion may be modified to indigenous language. Will coordinate and get permit for signs later on.
 - Restoration of Wrigley Greenbelt Project
 - Multi use trail; restoration and irrigation project. New plants and other amenities.
 - Public Equestrian Rest Area Project is working on that.
 - Started project Spring 2021 -- Should be completed this Fall 2022.
 - Project in LB adjacent to LA river right under 405 fwy. 1993 Wrigley Greenbelt Master Plan developed. Conservation Corp of LB and city of LB leading project.
 - Community Wetland Restoration Grant Program (under SoCal Wetlands Recovery Project, AKA WRP)
 - 5 years of funding (2022-2027) approved to re-distribute; \$1.32 million. Since 2002 has provided funding to over 170+ community organizations in So Cal.
 - Supporting education and compatible access related to watersheds. Focused on community engagement and leadership to engage in habitat restoration projects.
 - Focus on LA river, Rio Hondo, Compton Creek.
 - March 15, 2022
 - Projects can be up to 3 years, 2023 and 2024 there will be other RFP releases.
 - Meghan Martinez with Coastal Conservancy, meghan.martinez@scc.ca.gov
 - For more info: <https://scwrp.org/>

- **Open Forum / Public Comment**

- IAG Meeting Schedule: Moved to 4th Thursdays quarterly (3/24/22 10am-12noon)
- Listserv: Chairs should check-in on their list; list is outdated.
- Affordable housing land trust up to Board of Supervisors tomorrow

- **Next Steps**

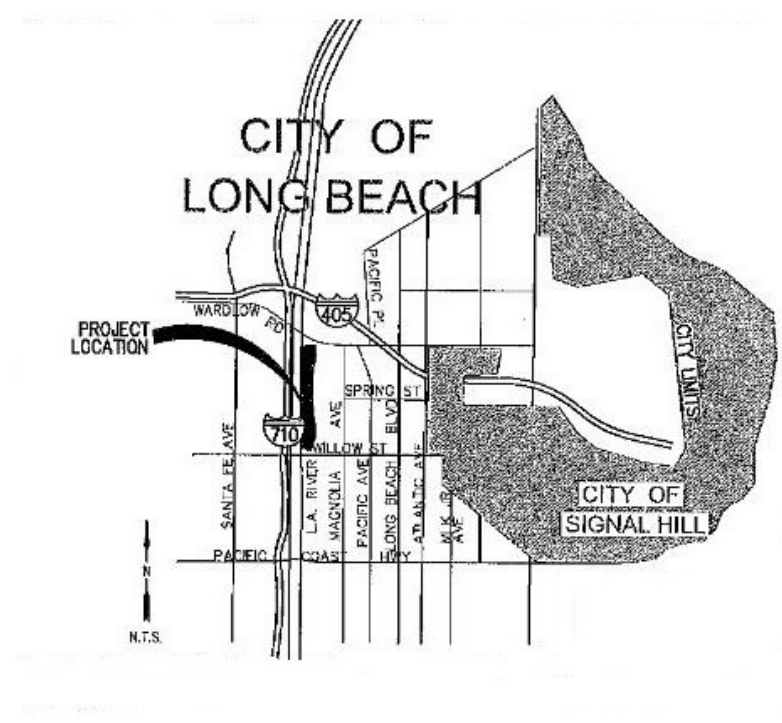
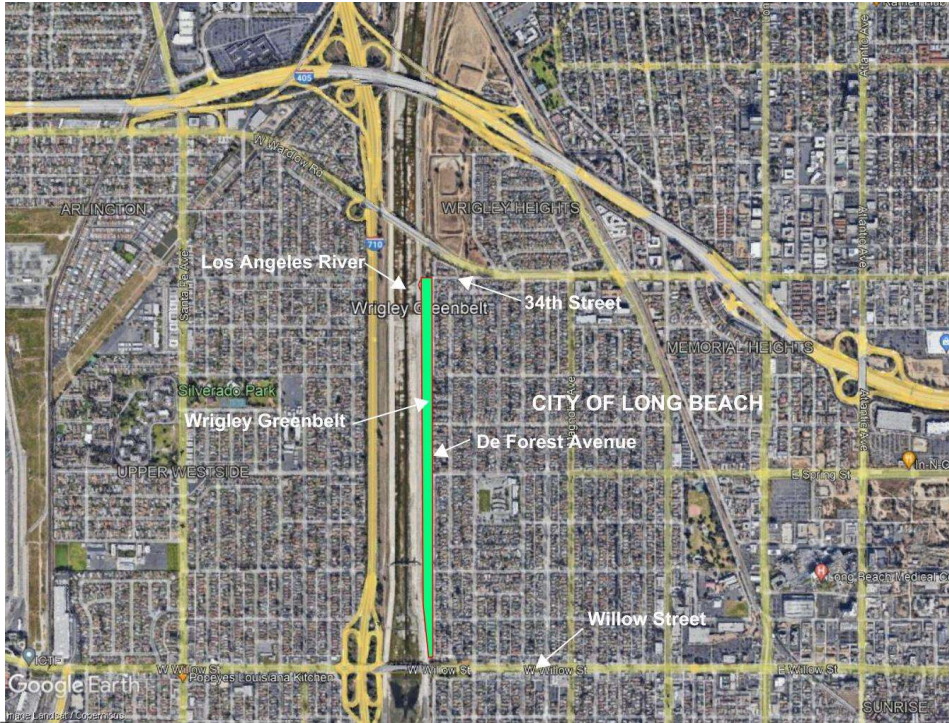
- Project Identification
- IAG Meeting – Moved to Thursday March 24, 2022
■ ~~March 23, 2022 10 A.M. — 12 P.M.~~
- Items for full IAG: SELA Cultural Center, River Ranger Program, Restoration of Wrigley Greenbelt Project, Community Wetland Restoration Grant Program (under SoCal Wetlands Recovery Project, AKA WRP)

Wrigley Greenbelt

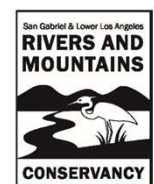
The 4 “P”s Pay off!

- Patience
- Perseverance
- Partnering
- People

Project Vicinity Maps



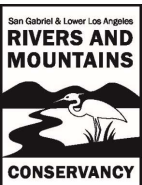
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Project Overview

The 5 acre Wrigley Greenbelt Trail (Trail) will provide a multi-use trail, bioswale and landscaping on County of Los Angeles property and adjacent to the Los Angeles River Trail. The multi-use ADA accessible trail is approximately 5,000 feet long and six foot wide and will be composed of decomposed granite. At-risk youth from the Conservation Corps of Long Beach will assist with irrigation installation and plant trees and shrubs along the Trail. Specific project design elements include approx. 115 – 15 gal. trees, 15,000 – 1 gal. native shrubs, pedestrian rest areas and site furnishings (picnic tables, benches and drinking fountains), equestrian rest areas and fencing and gate-controlled equestrian access.

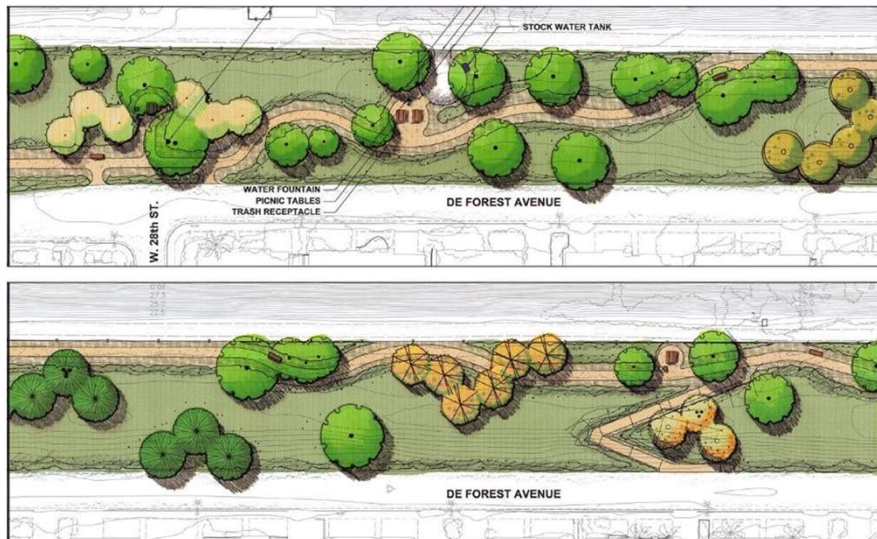
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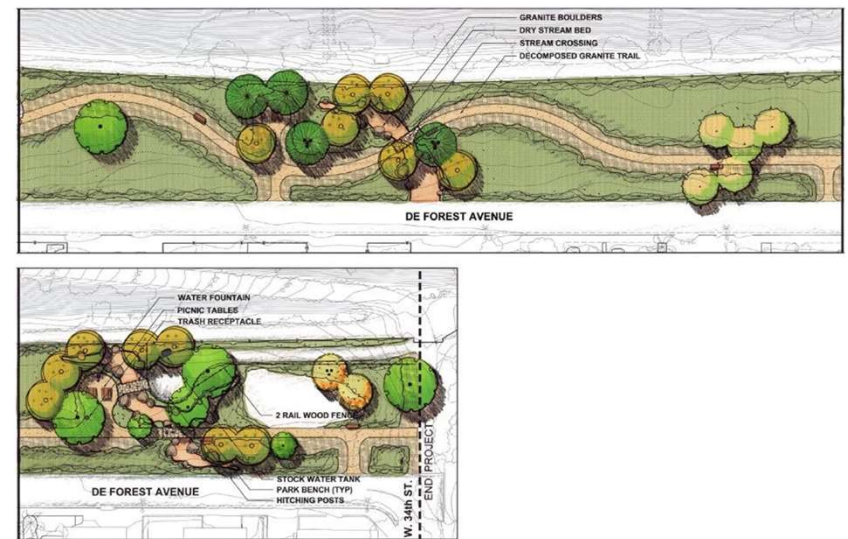
Project Timeline

- 1993: Wrigley Greenbelt Master Plan developed
- 2007: Project engagement as part of Long Beach RiverLink Plan
- 2008: City of Long Beach awarded 2 Prop A grants from LA County Regional Parks and Open Space District (Total = \$1.6 million).
- 2010: Project bidding process started
- 2019: Conservation Corps of Long Beach (CCLB) asked to partner and support the project
- 2020: Project modified to accommodate existing budget (Budget includes remaining Prop A funds, CCLB ATP funds, CCLB Prop 68 funds)
- 2021: Project Started
- 2021: Conservation Corps of Long Beach and City of Long Beach apply for Rivers & Mountains Conservancy Prop 1 funding
- 2022: Modified grant awarded to complete the project
- 2022: Project slated to be completed fall of 2022

Project Design



Concept Design from 28th St. to South of Spring St.

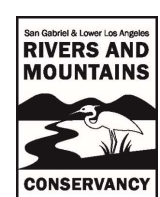


Concept Design 34th St. to North of 32nd St.

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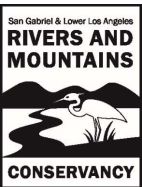
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Budget

| | Work Plan Task Number and Name (insert rows as needed for work plan) | Cost Per Task | RMC Budget (this total amount must be the same as the amount requested in the grant application) | CCLB ATP | CCLB Prop. 68 | CCLB Other (Labor) | CCLB CalFire | Matching Funds #1 (LA County RPOSD Grant #1) - Grant No.: 58F5-14-2432 | Matching Funds #2 (LA County RPOSD Grant #2) |
|---|--|------------------------|---|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--|--|
| 1 | General Conditions | \$ 150,700.00 | \$ - | | | | | \$ 150,700.00 | |
| 2 | Dry Streams/Drainage Swales | \$ 383,000.00 | \$ 273,000.00 | | | \$ 29,700.00 | | \$ 80,300.00 | |
| 3 | Pedestrian Trail | \$ 395,744.00 | \$ 137,700.00 | \$ 83,000.00 | | | | \$ 175,044.00 | \$ - |
| 4 | Site Furnishings | \$ 122,500.00 | \$ - | \$ 56,800.00 | | | | \$ 65,700.00 | \$ - |
| 5 | Signage (ADA Compliance) | \$ 34,200.00 | \$ 34,200.00 | | | | | | |
| 6 | Fencing/Gates | \$ 55,100.00 | \$ 47,800.00 | | | | | \$ 7,300.00 | \$ - |
| 7 | Irrigation | \$ 707,900.00 | \$ 74,500.00 | | \$ 125,000.00 | | | \$ 48,400.00 | \$ 460,000.00 |
| 8 | Native Landscaping/Planting - includes soil amendmets, mulch, weed abatement, all planting | \$ 234,041.00 | \$ 74,200.00 | | \$ 124,285.00 | | \$ 23,000.00 | \$ 12,556.00 | |
| 9 | Indirect | \$ 19,242.00 | \$ 19,242.00 | | | | | | |
| | TOTALS | \$ 2,102,427.00 | \$ 660,642.00 | \$ 139,800.00 | \$ 249,285.00 | \$ 29,700.00 | \$ 23,000.00 | \$ 540,000.00 | \$ 460,000.00 |
| | TOTAL MATCHING FUNDS = | \$ 1,441,785.00 | | \$ 139,800.00 | \$ 249,285.00 | \$ 29,700.00 | \$ 23,000.00 | \$ 540,000.00 | \$ 460,000.00 |

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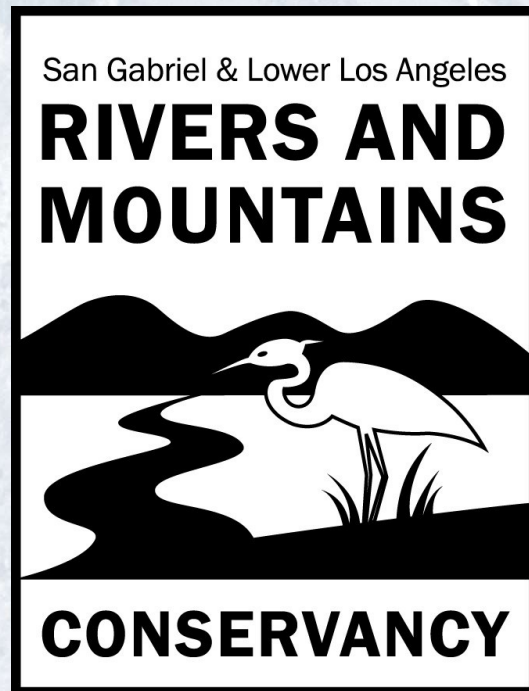
Timeline

| Task Description | Wrigley Greenbelt Project Completion Schedule | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | Jan-22 | Feb-22 | Mar-22 | Apr-22 | May-22 | Jun-22 | Jul-22 | Aug-22 | Sep-22 | Oct-22 | Nov-22 | Dec-22 |
| Irrigation | x | x | x | | | | | | | | | |
| Pedestrial Trail | | | x | x | x | | | | | | | |
| Dry Streams/Drainage Swales | | | | | x | x | | | | | | |
| Fencing & Gates | | | | | | x | | | | | | |
| Soil Prep | | | | | | | x | x | | | | |
| Signage/ADA Compliance | | | | | | | | | x | x | | |
| Site Furnishings | | | | | | | | | x | x | | |
| Planting | | | | | | | | | x | x | | |
| Project Close-Out | | | | | | | | | | | x | x |

Community Wetland Restoration Grant Program (CWRGP)



Program Partners





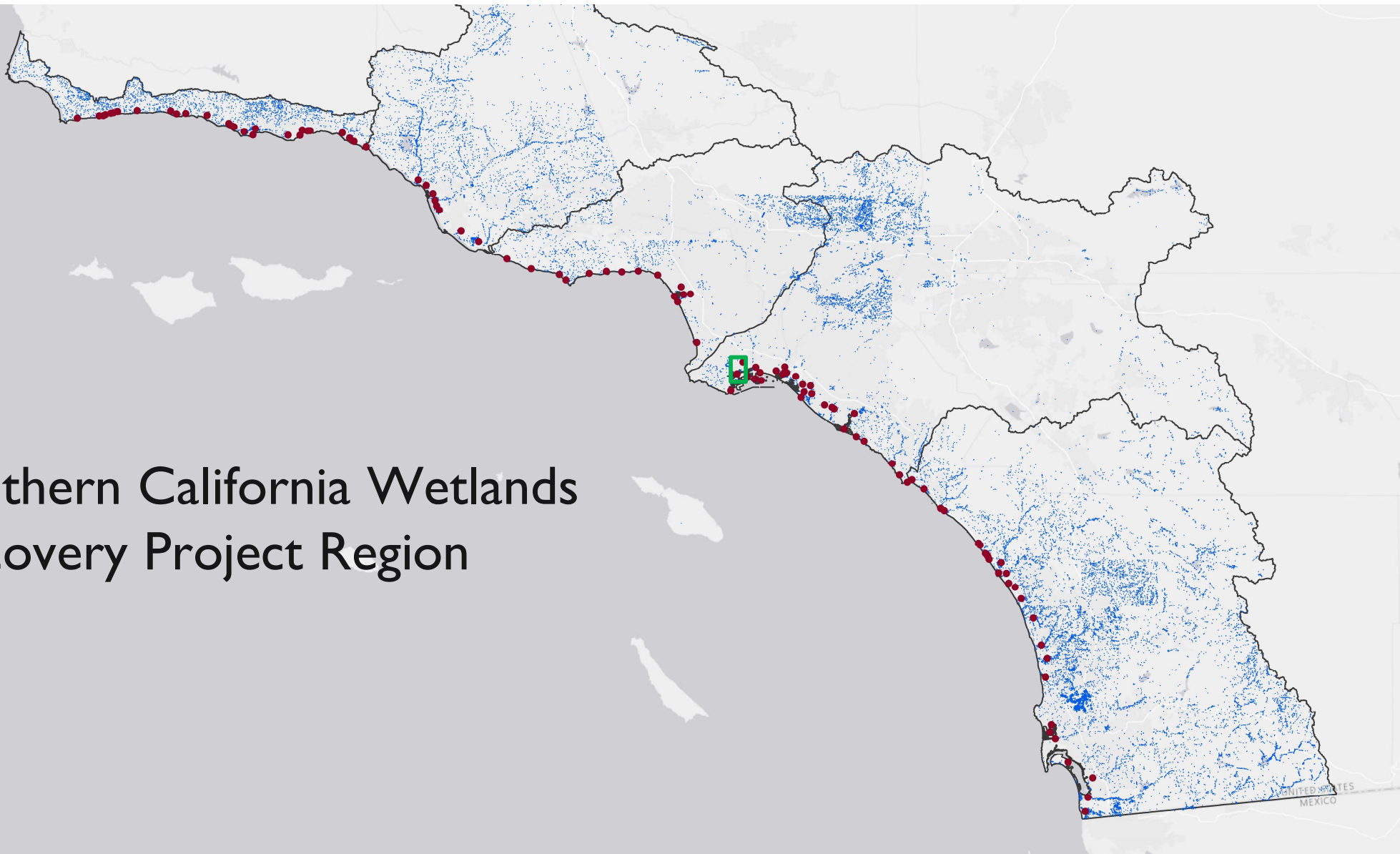
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Southern California Wetlands Recovery Project Region



PROGRAMMATIC EVALUATION



OUTCOMES

Reach a broader audience

Fund habitat restoration projects that are rooted in and benefit historically marginalized/excluded communities

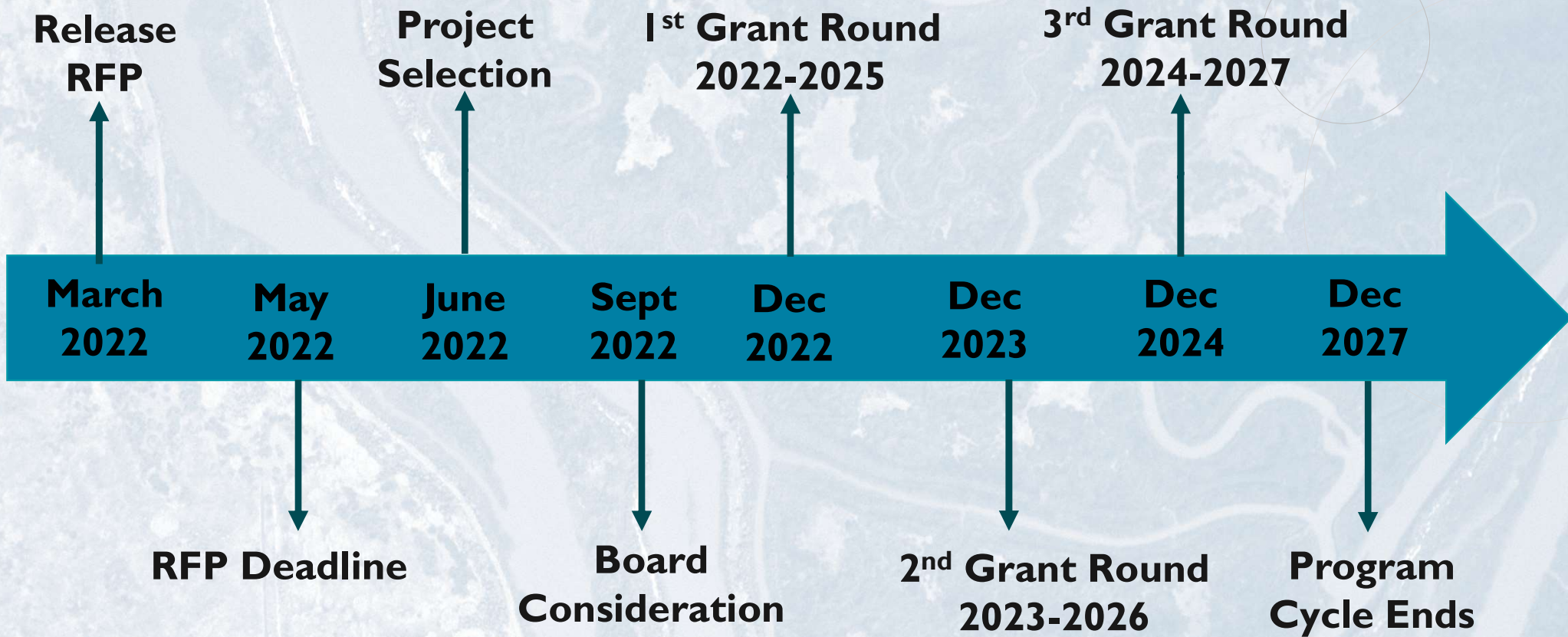
Better support capacity building



CWRGP FIVE YEAR BUDGET (2022-2027)

| Category | California State Coastal Conservancy | Wildlife Conservation Board (PENDING) | San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles RMC | Total Cost |
|-----------------------------|---|--|--|-------------------|
| Program/Project Management: | \$100,000 (in-kind) | \$60,000 | \$60,000 | \$220,000 |
| Sub-Project Implementation: | \$300,000 | \$500,000 | \$300,000 | \$1.1M |
| TOTAL ESTIMATED COST | \$400,000 | \$560,000 | \$360,000 | \$1.32 M |

PROJECT TIMELINE (2022-2027)



THANK YOU!

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