Lower Los Angeles River

**Implementation Advisory Group Committee Meeting**

May 17, 2022 | 2 P.M. – 3 P.M.

Online Meeting/ Conference Call

**Meeting Summary**

**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

1. **Welcome & Introductions**
2. **IAG Meeting Summary**
   * Meeting summary on webpage

Previous material and notes regarding IAG matters posted on IAG website

* + IAG Meeting – Moved from June 23 to June 16
  + Email Distribution List Update – Draft emails

Purpose of email distribution list is to solicit renewed interest in IAG. Two sets of emails will be sent: (1) to active emails (to be accompanied by MS form) (2) to an organization’s general or alternate email address for emails that are inactive (i.e., emails that have bounce back).

Feedback from Chairs included the following:

* Add “please fill out by…” due date to submit form
* Feasibility to add potential members to distribution list for those who are no longer within the organization(s) they represented
* Concern that email may be lengthy

1. **Discussion Items**
   * Projects/presentations for Regular IAG
   * LACFCD – LAR Master Plan

Los Angeles County Public Works (PW) to issue a bilingual press release on LA River Master Plan update today (5/17).

The Final LA River Master Plan documents are available at https://www.larivermasterplan.org. The Final CEQA documents will become available soon.

A comment log in response to public comments received during the 2021 draft LA River Master Plan public comment period is available at: <https://larivermasterplan.org/resources/documents-from-the-planning-process/>

PW is anticipating board adoption date on June 14 for both the Master Plan and Programmatic EIR efforts.

1. **Agency Updates**
   * LACFCD
   * PERA

The Public Equestrian Rest Area (PERA) is a 1.3-acre equestrian facility located in the City of Long Beach on LA County Flood Control District property (adjacent to the City’s Wrigley Greenbelt Project). PERA is currently under construction; construction began December 2021, and is slated to be complete summer 2022

* + RMC
  + SELA Cultural Center Update

Continuing community engagement and outreach

* + River Ranger Program

Had Kickoff on 4/30/22. Proposals is response to Program Evaluation Services for the REACH Zone at the Lower Los Angeles River and Rio Hondo River Confluence Request for Proposals submittals were due 5/12/22

* + On-going Grant Opportunities (Prop 1)

RMC shared the following projects were provided grants by RMC.

* + Maywood Riverfront Park ($1.8 million)
  + Circle Park ($2 million)
  + Others
  + Wrigley Greenbelt – City of LB / Conservation Corps of LB

(No updates provided – discussed at last meeting)

* + Urban Orchard?

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1. **Open Forum / Public Comment**

* Discussion of new agenda format for full IAG; including new section/categories
  + - Funding/Grant Opportunities (Prop1, Safe Clean Water, etc.)
    - Lower LA River Events (LAR Summer Festival)
* Updates should be given for projects presented today (PERA, River Rangers, etc.)
* Additional projects to be discussed / given updates:
  + - Deforest Wetlands
    - Lower Los Angeles River Parks District

1. **Next Steps**
   * IAG Meeting – June 16, 2022, 10 A.M. – 12 P.M.