

RIVER/TRIBUTARY PROJECTS IN THE URBAN PROGRAM

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Amigos de los Rios Los Angeles County Department of Parks & Recreation	Emerald Necklace Segment A2: ACE-Garvey Ave to Eaton Canyon Wash	Grant request submitted by Amigos de los Rios and LA County Parks is to enhance an existing trail along the Rio Hondo as a segment to the Emerald Necklace. The trail is .8 miles and crosses the cities of Rosemead, Montebello, El Monte and South El Monte. This trail project would provide amenities to the user, interpretive signage, and native landscaping.	Claire Robinson/Larry Hensley Managing Director/Chief of Planning (626)444-8665/(213)351-5098 claire@amigosdelosrios.org lhensley@co.la.ca.us
Amigos de los Rios Los Angeles County Department of Parks & Recreation	Emerald Necklace Segment B2: From Valley to Peck Park South	This grant request was submitted by Amigos de los Rios and the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation for this Emerald Necklace multi-benefit project involving enhancing an existing trail not currently open to the public with native plant landscaping, interpretive signage and trail amenities to include benches, water fountain & new decorative gates. This segment runs for 3 miles along the West Bank of the Rio Hondo through the LA county Flood control right-of-way, connects and passes through Rio Vista Park in El Monte. This project proposes to enhance connection between Valley Blvd. and Rio vista Park & between Rio vista Park & the south entrance to Peck Park. A vegetated swale will be added where appropriate to percolate water into the ground rather than loading the channel. This segment is next critical connection to the EN Trail loop.	Claire Robinson/Larry Hensley Managing Director/Chief of Planning (626)444-8665/(213)351-5098 claire@amigosdelosrios.org lhensley@co.la.ca.us
Amigos de los Rios Los Angeles County Department of Parks & Recreation	Emerald Necklace Segment C2: Quarry/San Gabriel River to Ramona Blvd.	Grant request submitted by Amigos de los Rios/LA County DPR. The Emerald Necklace multi-benefit project involves enhancing an existing public county trail with native plant landscaping, interpretive signage & trail amenities to include benches, water fountain and new decorative gates. This segment runs 1.4 miles along the West Bank of the San Gabriel River from where Hanson Aggregates touches the SGR to Ramona Blvd. We propose to articulate the intersection where Lower Azusa, a major arterial, crosses the SG River. Where appropriate we add a vegetated swale to percolate water into the ground rather than loading channel. This segment is the next critical connection of the EN Trail Loop.	Claire Robinson/Larry Hensley Managing Director/Chief of Planning (626)444-8665/(213)351-5098 claire@amigosdelosrios.org lhensley@co.la.ca.us
Amigos de los Rios Los Angeles County Department of Parks & Recreation	Emerald Necklace Segment E: Ramona Blvd to Whittier Narrows @ Peck Road	This grant request was submitted by Amigos de los Rios and the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation for this Emerald Necklace multi-benefit project that involves enhancing an existing county bike and equestrian trail currently open to the public with native plant landscaping, interpretive signage and trail amenities to include benches, water fountain, & new decorative gates as appropriate. This segment runs for 3.09 miles along the West bank of the San Gabriel River from Ramona Boulevard to Peck Boulevard. the proposed project will articulate the intersection where Valley Boulevard crosses the San Gabriel River. Where appropriate there will be vegetated swales to percolate water into the ground.	Claire Robinson/Larry Hensley Managing Director/Chief of Planning (626)444-8665/(213)351-5098 claire@amigosdelosrios.org lhensley@co.la.ca.us

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Compton, City of	Cocoa St. Park Development-Compton	Grant request submitted by the City of Compton to develop a park and create new open space from the existing street right of way on Cocoa Street. It will serve as a gateway to provide better access to the existing multi-purpose trail adjacent to Compton Creek. A chain link fence will be removed and replaced with decorative fencing. Storm water, which currently drains from the surrounding area will be treated with Best Management Practices. The park's primary features will include a native plant garden, community walking path, park benches, water fountains and interpretive signage.	Janae Oliver Grants Coordinator (310) 605-5581 joliver@comptoncity.org
Compton, City of	Street End Park, Compton	Grant request submitted by the City of Compton for converting the existing street right of way to open space and providing access to the existing bike path and multi-purpose trail from the surrounding neighborhoods. A total of 13 locations will be developed along the Compton Creek and each location will include a variety of amenities including native landscaping, walkways, benches, new fencing, water fountains, and educational signage. Sites will incorporate Best Management Practices (BMPs) and all paved areas will be replaced with permeable surfaces.	Janae Oliver Grants Coordinator (310) 605-5581 joliver@comptoncity.org
El Monte, City of	El Monte Northern Rio Hondo Linear Park Dev.	This grant request was submitted by the City of El Monte and will provide continuous connections along the river between existing Pioneer and Fletcher Parks. It will also provide a quality passive park experience for Emerald Necklace trail users and local El Monte residents. The 1.24 acre park amenities include walking and bike trails, landscaping, picnic tables, benches, open turf play areas, interpretive signage and sustainable water features.	Veronica Dolleshel Deputy City Manager for Community Services (626)580-2205 vdolleschel@elmonteca.gov
El Monte, City of	Peck Water Conserv Master Plan	This grant request submitted by the City of El Monte and Amigos de los Rios is for Phase 2 of the master plan at Peck Water Conservation Park, a unique 200 acre quarry now serving as a water management & recreation facility. The area consists of two lakes in a figure 8 shape. A concept master plan was completed by Amigos in 2005. The elements of this proposed master plan build on the concept plan work and include master plan elements for water resources, habitat restoration, enhanced trails and recreation opportunities, sustainable development guidelines, and interpretive signage as well as a review of revenue generation opportunities for park operators and maintenance. The master plan will benefit from the proposed ALTA survey for the area.	
El Monte, City of	Peck Water Conserv Park Habitat Restoration	This grant request was submitted by the by the City of El Monte and Amigo de los Rios to restore and enhance 35 to 60 acres within Peck Water Conservation Park specifically along the West perimeter of the North Lake and on the West perimeter of the South Lake of the Park. This area is under the jurisdiction of the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works - Watershed & Flood Maintenance Division. The project would begin with the creation of a restoration plant palette and ratification of a restoration plan based on master plan and appropriate authorities.	Dennis Eschen Manger of Planning and Development (562)570-3130 Dennis_Eschen@longbeach.
Harbor/Watts Economic Development Corporation	Watts Gateway Phase II	Grant request submitted by the Harbor/Watts Economic Development Corporation for Creekside enhancements at the intersection of Imperial Highway and Central Avenue in Watts. These Compton Creek enhancements include interfaces for a future connection to the Willowbrook portion of the Compton Creek Bike Trail, connections to the existing "Welcome to Watts" signage, and a new ¼ mile bike trail segment between the Watts Gateway north to Lanzit Avenue. This improvement will also acknowledge the Compton Creek which flows diagonally beneath the intersection and will provide connections between the Creek improvements and Central Avenue, a major commercial corridor which runs parallel to the Creek.	Frank O'Brien Executive Director (310)221-0080 fobcelt@aol.com

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LA Conservation Corps	Duck Farm Plant Nursery Development Project	This grant request by the LA conservation Corps will develop and maintain a native plant nursery within the larger Duck Farm Phase 1 Plan of The Watershed Conservation Authority (WCA) to develop a new 37.5-acre park along the San Gabriel River on the northern portion of the former 57 acre Woodland Duck Farm site in the unincorporated community of Bassett. The nursery will be developed to meet the increasing needs for native plants by nonprofit agencies, cities, and other governmental agencies, cities, and other governmental agencies throughout the SGV Watershed and LA county.	Bruce Saito Executive Director (213) 362-9000 bsaito@lacorps.org
Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation	Riparian/Scrub Raptor Field Restoration (WNNA)	This grant request was submitted by the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation for the restoration of the Scrub Raptor Field at the Whittier Narrows Nature Center.	Colleen J. Mac Kay Regional Park Superintendent 1 (626)575-5523 cmackay@parks.lacounty.gov
Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation, County of	Whittier Narrows Equestrian Facility Development	This grant request was submitted by the County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation to remedy flooding and drainage problems by corrective grading, averting off-site drainage for existing facilities and containing on-site drainage. The project scope includes: widening the entry and installing gates; signage; landscaping; replacement of infrastructure for water; electrical and sewer, a new restroom and storage building; and new exterior lighting.	Frank O'Brien Executive Director (310)221-0080 fobcelt@aol.com
Pico Rivera, City of	San Gabriel River Trail Restoration Project	Grant request submitted by the City of Pico Rivera for the restoration of SG River Trail to enhance access to the proposed Burke Street River Park Project while creating a direction connection to the recently completed Paseo del Rio Spreading Grounds Recreation Project. Project will result in 3 miles of bike/walking trails.	Raymond Chavez Administration Analyst (562)801-4217 rchavez@pico-rivera.org
San Gabriel MTS. Regional Conservancy	San Gabriel River: Watershed Improvement Program/Restore	This grant request was submitted by the San Gabriel Mountain Regional Conservancy as a partnership between the SGMRC and the SGVMVCD to address recreational watershed issues and stewardship training for the region's youth. The project includes procurement of vitally needed composting public toilets for high use, sensitive areas of the River. Participants will conduct laboratory research, mentoring, and stewardship-education activities.	Teresa T. Young M.S. Project Manager (626)335-1771 tardigrade@speakeasy.net
Save our Community, INC. 501-C3	Equestrian Arena, Public Access to Rio Hondo	Grant submitted by Save Our Community, Inc. for development of 7 acre area for equestrian arena, trailer parking, bathrooms, public access, invasive removal, and habitat restoration along South San Gabriel.	James Flournoy Secretary (626)288-1755 wyrmrider@earthlink.net
Save our Community, INC. 501-C3	Rio Hondo River West bank South San Gabriel	Grant request submitted by Save Our Community Inc. for invasive removal, riparian, stream channel and habitat restoration and signage improvements. Proposed project consist of 7 acres and hopes to discourage use by off road vehicles.	James Flournoy Secretary (626)288-1755 wyrmrider@earthlink.net

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Watershed Conservation Authority	Development of the Duck Farm Phase 1A Project	This grant request includes a new entrance consisting of landscaping and park signage at the Duck Farm. Improvements to the I-605 Freeway underpass and an 120 space parking lot will be developed, as well as a Pocket Park. 14-16 acres of riparian vegetation, a 3.5 acre wildflower Meadow, picnicking and fitness stations for passive recreation. A River Overlook area will provide a viewing station at the river's edge.	Jane Beesley Director of Special Projects & Interpretation fsimpson@rmc.ca.gov
Watershed Conservation Authority	Development of the Duck Farm Phase 1B Project	This grant Request submitted by the Watershed Conservation Authority will include a new 150 space parking lot improvement to the access road to a community garden and dog park. A meandering trail along enhanced riparian landscape and meadow will lead to an expanded river-edge promenade along the east bank of the San Gabriel River between Valley Blvd. and to the new Visitor Center and amphitheatre/outdoor classroom adjacent to a one acre fresh water marsh landscape. Access improvements by means of sidewalk improvements and a pedestrian access ramp. The existing equestrian facility will be expanded and improved. There is strong local community support for this project.	Jane Beesley Director of Special Projects & Interpretation fsimpson@rmc.ca.gov
Watershed Conservation Authority	Development of the Visitor Center at the Duck Farm	This grant request was submitted by the Watershed Conservation Authority to develop the Visitor Center at the Duck Farm River Commons which will consist of the conversion of the existing historic two story structure to accommodate an administration and interpretive facility for the project. The River commons project represents a transition of the landscape from an agricultural one to a natural landscape; interpretive elements include both natural and cultural history. Improvements to the structure will be carried out consistent with prevailing state and local codes and with the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Duck Farm River Commons Phase 1. There is significant local support for this project.	Jane Beesley Director of Special Projects & Interpretation fsimpson@rmc.ca.gov
Watershed Conservation Authority	Planning for Phase 2 of the Duck Farm Project	This grant request was submitted by the Watershed Conservation Authority to include Phases 1A and 1B to provide design and construction of open space elements at the Duck Farm north of Avocado Creek to Valley Blvd. Phase 2 will extend the planning and implantation of the project to include those areas south of Avocado Creek and seek to continue the River Commons Promenade to San Jose Creek to the San Gabriel River Bike Trail.	Jane Beesley Director of Special Projects & Interpretation fsimpson@rmc.ca.gov
Watershed Conservation Authority	Rio Hondo Park	Grant request submitted by the Watershed Conservation Authority for development of 3 acres, located in the Whittier Narrows Recreation Area. Proposed park will add to the Emerald Necklace as a pocket park along the Rio Hondo. Project will provide low impact recreational opportunities, habitat restoration, water quality elements and trail access to the Rio Hondo in a park poor area with large number of children and families	Alina Bokde Deputy Director (626)614-7293 abokde@rmc.ca.gov
Watershed Conservation Authority	Whittier Narrows Recreation Area Restoration	Grant request submitted by the Watershed Conservation Authority in the amount of \$5.05 million for the development of habitat restoration plans to address water quality elements, provide habitat of wildlife for Mission Creek, Whittier Narrows Creek, Alhambra Wash and other areas identified in the Whittier Narrows Recreation Area Master Plan update.	Angela Lindstorm Board Member (714)931-9584 information@coyotehills.org