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SCH #: 2012091034

Project Title: Proposed Operational Changes to the Virginia Robinson Gardens

Lead Agency: Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation

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Project Location: 1008 Elden Way, Beverly Hills, Los Angeles County, CA 90210

City *County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation is proposing changes to expand the use of Virginia Robinson Gardens for increased public access and benefit. The proposed Project would not include any demolition or construction on the property, but rather a change in the operation of the facility. Specifically, the following operational changes are proposed:

• Days open to the public: Monday to Sunday (7 days a week).
• Hours for public use: 9:30 a.m. to sunset.
• Number of patrons in attendance: With advance reservations, up to 200 visitors per day, spread throughout the day for either tours, meetings seminars/classes, events or commercial filming (video only, no motion picture) or a combination of any of these activities.
• Types of events: In addition to existing events, consider family ceremonies such as weddings.
• Special Uses: Up to 24 special use events a year.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

Implementation of the proposed operational changes would result in new significant traffic impacts. Based on the Project trip generation analysis, the net new daily vehicle trips would be 100. All of these trips would use local roadways to access the Project Site, and all of the trips would use Elden Way to access the Project Site driveway. Based on traffic counts on Elden Way conducted for the 2014 SEIR environmental analysis, volumes on that roadway range from 150 to 275 vehicles each day. The current Project operations add 50 vehicles per day to the same segment, based on 100 daily visitors, an assumption of two persons per vehicle, and one inbound trip and one outbound trip. The Project addition of up to 100 additional trips each day on that roadway would cause increases in volumes that range from 38 percent to 57 percent. The City of Beverly Hills maximum impact threshold would be exceeded every day of the week.

Feasible physical improvements for the local roadway volume impact on Elden Way were not identified, nor were feasible Project mitigation measures identified that would reduce the number of Project trips to a level where the local impact is not significant. The Proposed Project's impact to Elden Way would be significant and unavoidable.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

Air Quality; Biological Resources; Greenhouse Gases; Noise; Public Services; Utilities; Traffic and Parking; Wildfire

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

N/A