

**NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT  
FOR THE  
CENTRAL PARK MASTER PLAN UPDATE reVISION PROJECT**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** to all interested parties that the City of Rancho Cucamonga, as the Lead Agency, will be preparing a Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15082. A Notice of Preparation (NOP) has been prepared to describe the Project and identify the scope of environmental issues recommended to be addressed in the EIR, and to seek your comments on what environmental effects and alternatives the Program EIR should study. You are being notified of the City of Rancho Cucamonga's intent, as Lead Agency, to prepare a Program EIR for this Project, as it is located in an area of interest to you and/or the organization or agency you represent.

**PROJECT TITLE:** Central Park Master Plan Update reVISION

**LEAD AGENCY:** City of Rancho Cucamonga

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The proposed Project site is located in Central Park, in the City of Rancho Cucamonga and the County of San Bernardino. Central Park is located approximately in the center of the City of Rancho Cucamonga at 11200 Base Line Road, and is within Section 36 of Township 1 South, Range 7 West, on the Cucamonga Peak, California, U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle Map (1980). Bounded on the south by Base Line Road and on the east by Milliken Avenue, Central Park is approximately 2.5 miles west of Interstate 15 (I-15), 3.7 miles north of Interstate 10 (I-10), and 0.7 miles south of the State Route 210 (SR-210) in Rancho Cucamonga, see Figure 1.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Central Park Master Plan Update reVISION is a comprehensive planning document which defines the development of the remaining, undeveloped land located west of the existing Senior and Community Centers at Central Park, see Figure 2: Site Plan. It identifies smaller (1-11 acre), buildable sections comprised of financially responsible amenities, so that when funding becomes available, park development could continue within the framework of a comprehensive community inspired vision, see Figure 3: Elements Plan by Acreage. The proposed Project is composed of recreation areas and elements that relate to the existing open drainage channel spine and is anchored by the Senior and Community Centers to the east and the proposed Recreation Pool, Multi-Purpose Facility, and Tennis Courts to the west. The park will provide a variety of both active and passive zones and uses for groups of all ages. The Universal Accessible Playground will provide access to opportunity for people of all ages and abilities to promote play, physical activity, sociability, and learning. The Adventure Area will promote a unique outdoor experience for personal physical development, leadership, and team building. The park also features the "Great Lawn", Viticulture Pavilion, a flexible park area for large community event gatherings and celebrations.

The Central Park Master Plan Update reVISION also included the development of an Amphitheater (Element D). In order to qualify for the grant funding, the Central Park Amphitheater Project was recently assessed in an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration



(IS/MND). The IS/MND, which was certified on October 2, 2019, determined that impacts associated with the implementation of the Central Park Amphitheater Project would not be significant or would be reduced to less than significant through mitigation measures.

**POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS:** In accordance with the CEQA Guidelines Section 15063(a), the City of Rancho Cucamonga determined that an EIR would be required for the proposed Project. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15060(s), "If the lead agency can determine that an EIR will be clearly required for a project, the agency may skip further initial review of the project and begin work directly on the EIR process...in the absence of an initial study, the lead agency shall still focus the EIR on the significant effects of the project and indicate briefly its reasons for determining that other effects would not be significant or potentially significant." Additionally, as stated in CEQA Guidelines Section 15063, if a lead agency can determine that an EIR will clearly be required for the project, an Initial Study is not required. In accordance with these CEQA Guidelines sections, the City has prepared this Notice of Preparation for the proposed Project without an accompanying Initial Study. The City will instead substantiate the elimination of the following topical areas in the *Effects Found Not To Be Significant* Section of the EIR: Aesthetics; Agriculture and Forestry Resources; Energy; Hazards and Hazardous Materials; Hydrology and Water Quality; Land Use; Mineral Resources; Population and Housing; Recreation; and Utilities and Service Systems; and Wildfire.

The following issues will be analyzed in detail in the respective sections of the EIR: Air Quality; Biological Resources; Cultural Resources; Geology and Soils; Greenhouse Gas Emissions; Noise; Transportation and Traffic; and Tribal Cultural Resources.

**RESPONDING TO THIS NOTICE:** Pursuant to Section 15082 of the State CEQA Guidelines, responsible and trustee agencies and other interested parties, including members of the public, must submit any comments in response to this notice no later than 30 days after receipt. Comments and suggestions should, at a minimum, (1) identify the significant environmental issues, reasonable alternatives, and mitigation measures that should be explored in the EIR; (2) whether the responding agency will be a responsible or trustee agency for the proposed project; and (3) any related issues raised by organizations and/or interested parties other than potential responsible or trustee agencies, including interested or affected members of the public. Please identify a contact person for your agency.

**DUE DATE FOR PUBLIC SCOPING COMMENTS:** The City of Rancho Cucamonga invites you to submit written comments describing your specific environmental concerns about the proposed Project. It is requested that all mailed or emailed communications on this project include reference to the Project title "Central Park Master Plan Update reVISION Project" in the subject line. Agency responses should include the name and contact information of the person within the commenting agency. Due to the time limits mandated by State Law, your response must be sent at the earliest possible date, but not later than 5:00 p.m. on December 19, 2019.

Please send your responses by mail to: City of Rancho Cucamonga  
Community Services Department  
10500 Civic Center Drive



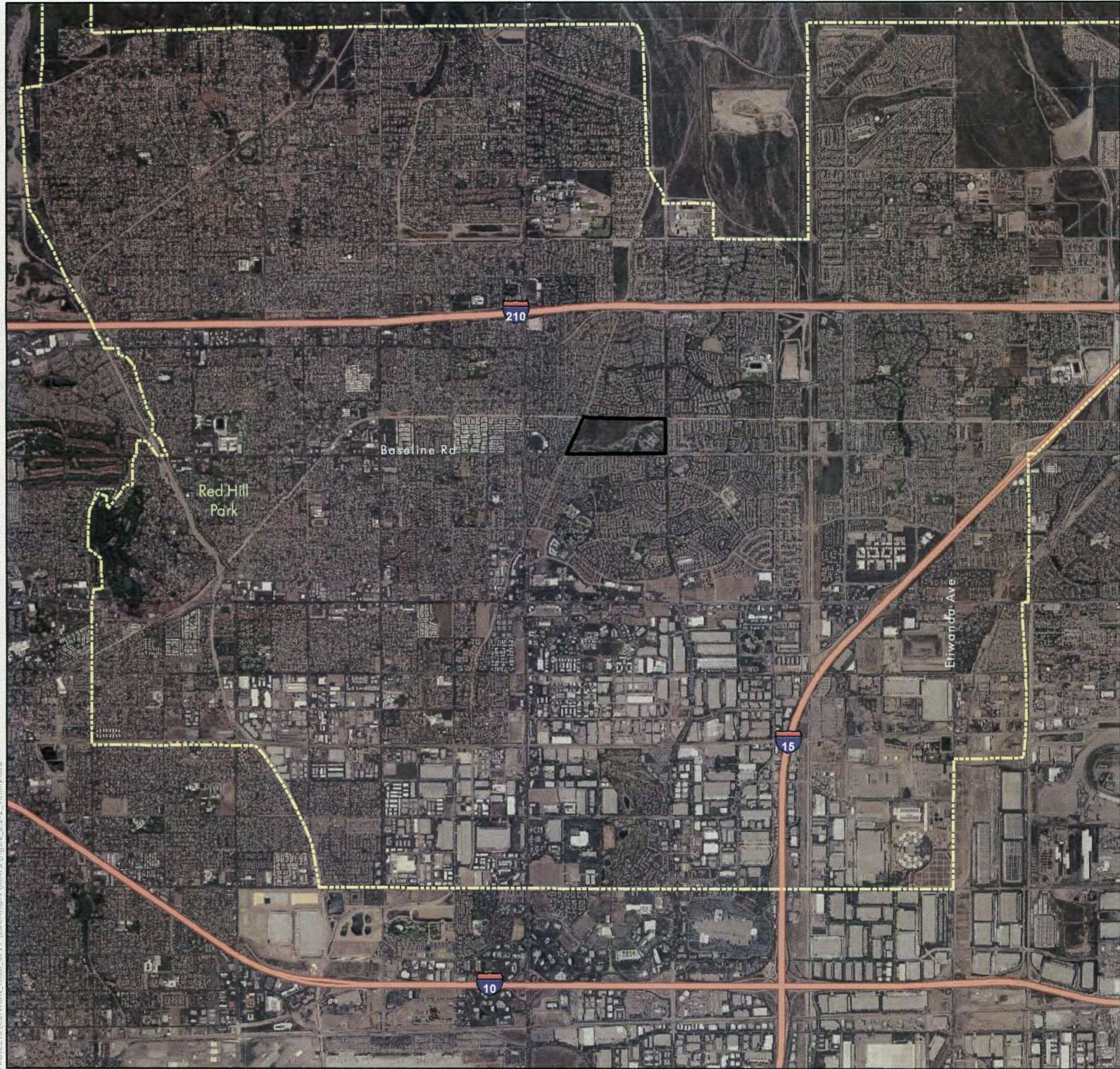
Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730  
Attn: Jeff Benson, Management Analyst II

Or by email to: [Jeff.Benson@cityofrc.us](mailto:Jeff.Benson@cityofrc.us)

**NOTICE OF SCOPING MEETING:** A scoping meeting for the proposed Project will be held on December 3, 2019 at 6:30 PM at 11200 Baseline Road, Rancho Cucamonga, CA, 91701 in the Alta Loma Room of the Goldy S. Lewis Community Center.

**HAZARDOUS MATERIALS STATEMENT:** The project site is not listed on any list of hazardous waste sites prepared pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.



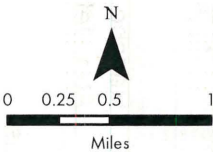


City of Rancho Cucamonga  
Central Park

Figure 1  
Project Vicinity

San Bernardino County, CA

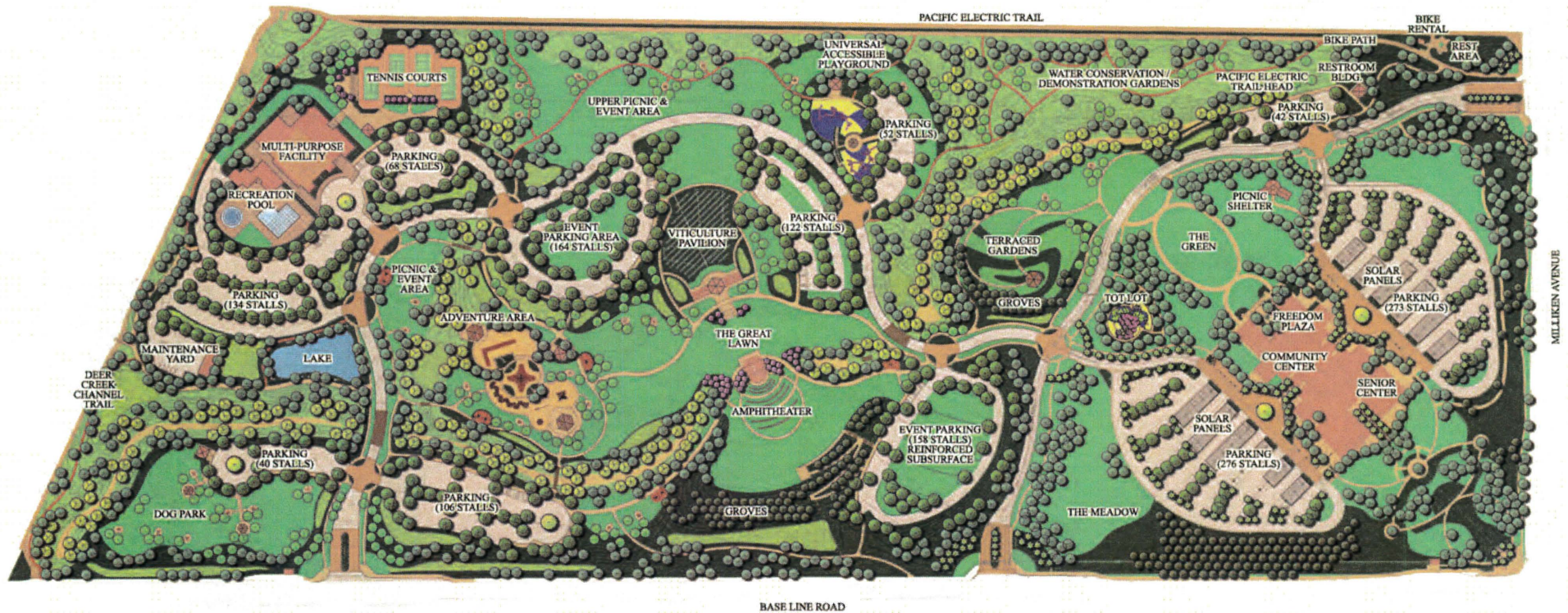
- Project Area
- City of Rancho Cucamonga Boundary
- Interstate



Imagery Source: USDA NAIP 2016







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Figure 2  
Project Site Plan

San Bernardino County, CA

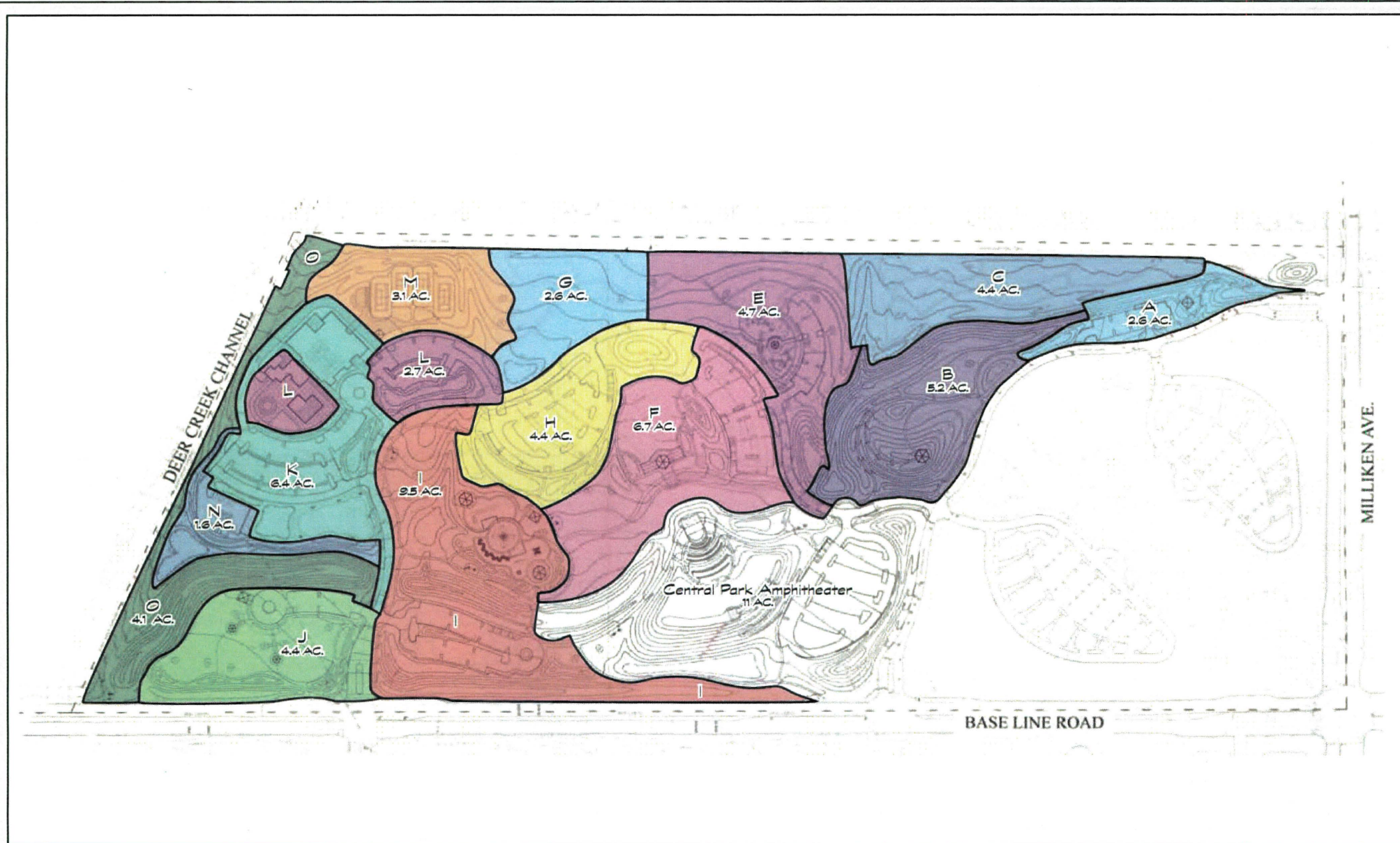
Showing full build-out of Central Park  
including existing Community Center and Senior Center

Source: RJM Design Group, Central Park Master Plan Update. January 29, 2018

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Figure 3  
Element Plan with Acreage

San Bernardino County, CA

- A. PACIFIC ELECTRIC TRAILHEAD
- B. TERRACED GARDENS
- C. WATER CONSERVATION/  
DEMONSTRATION GARDEN
- D. AMPHITHEATER
- E. UNIVERSAL ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUND
- F. VITICULTURE PAVILION
- G. UPPER PICNIC AREA AND EVENT AREA
- H. EVENT PARKING AREA
- I. ADVENTURE AREA PARKING  
AND EVENT/PICNIC AREA

- J. DOG PARK
- K. MULTI-PURPOSE FACILITY AND PARKING
- L. RECREATION POOL
- M. TENNIS COURTS
- N. MAINTENANCE YARD
- O. DEER CREEK CHANNEL TRAIL

NOTES:

1. Order does not represent actual sequence of areas for improvement.
2. Sub-phasing of improvements may occur within each identified element.

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