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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

DATE: October 6, 2022

TO: Responsible Agencies, Trustee Agencies, Interested Parties **FROM:** City of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works, Bureau of

Engineering

SUBJECT: Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Impact Report

PROJECT: Silver Lake Reservoir Complex Master Plan Project (SCH# 2022010055)

REVIEW PERIOD: October 6, 2022, through November 21, 2022

The City of Los Angeles (City) Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering (BOE), is proposing the construction of the Silver Lake Reservoir Complex Master Plan Project (proposed Project) (see **Figure 1**). As the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Lead Agency, the City has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR), which evaluates the potential environmental effects of the proposed Project. The City is requesting input on the Draft EIR from public agencies, residents, and other interested project stakeholders. The contents of this Notice of Availability have been prepared in accordance with Section 15087 of the CEQA Guidelines.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS: The analysis contained in the Draft EIR determined that the proposed Project would result in significant and unavoidable environmental impacts related to construction noise, operational noise associated with an amplified speaker system during special events, construction vibration associated with human annoyance, and cumulative construction and operational noise. In addition, recreation would result in significant and unavoidable impacts due to the associated noise impacts. All other potentially significant impacts would be reduced to a less than significant level with implementation of mitigation measures.

PROPOSED PROJECT: The proposed Project would redevelop approximately 116 acres of the 127-acre Silver Lake Reservoir Complex (SLRC) with a contemporary design that would create seven park zones blending vegetated areas with public spaces. These park zones would be connected by a 2.5-mile, tree-lined promenade and would include the Meadow, the Knoll, Ivanhoe Overlook, the Eucalyptus Grove, the East and West Narrows, the South Valley, and Habitat Islands. In addition, offsite improvements, including the addition of an improved bicycle and/or parking lane, would be proposed along Silver Lake Boulevard and/or West Silver Lake Drive.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: The Draft EIR public review and comment period begins October 6, 2022 and ends on November 21, 2022. The Draft EIR is available online at the Bureau of Engineering website: https://eng.lacity.org/silver-lake-reservoir-complex-master-plan/eir

Hard copies may also be viewed at the following locations:

- Silver Lake Branch Library: 2411 Glendale Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90039
- Los Angeles County City Terrace Library: 4025 E. City Terrace Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90063

PUBLIC MEETING: Due to the global pandemic, a virtual public meeting will be held on **Wednesday**, **October 26**, **2022**, **at 6:00 p.m.** on Zoom. Spanish translation will be provided during the public meeting. As covered under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City does not discriminate based on disability. All requests for reasonable accommodations to ensure equal access to the public meeting, should be made at least three days prior to the meeting date and sent to eng.slrcmp@lacity.org or call (310) 566-8018.

Virtual Scoping Meeting Details

 Date:
 October 26, 2022

 Start Time:
 6:00 p.m.

Zoom: bit.ly/SilverLakeDraftEIR **Telephone Dial-in:** (888) 788-0099 (Toll Free)

Meeting ID: 879 1241 9992

A notice regarding the public review period and how to access the public meeting will be posted on the BOE project website prior to the meeting: https://eng.lacity.org/silver-lake-reservoir-complex-master-plan/eir, and published in the *LA Times* and *Eastsider* in English and *La Opinion* in Spanish. Project stakeholders will also receive email notification.

COMMENTS: All comments to the Draft EIR are due no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 21, 2022. Please include the name, mailing address, and email address of the commenter. Written comments may be submitted via the following:

Website Comments can be submitted online through the proposed Project website at

https://eng.lacity.org/silver-lake-reservoir-complex-master-plan/eir (click on the

SLRCMP Draft EIR Comment link)

Mail to Dr. Jan Green Rebstock

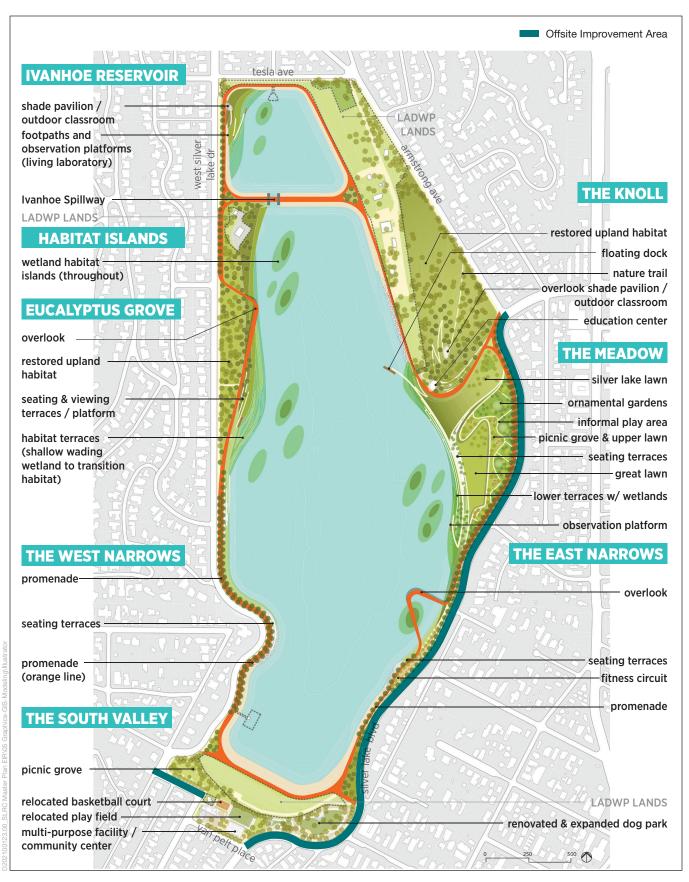
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Following the close of the comment period, the City will consider and prepare responses to the comments received and compile a Final EIR. The Final EIR will be posted online at the Bureau of Engineering website: https://eng.lacity.org/silver-lake-reservoir-complex-master-plan/eir. All responses to comments submitted on the DEIR by public agencies will be provided to those agencies at least 10 days prior to final action on the proposed Project. The Board of Public Works and City Council Committee(s) may consider and make recommendations to the Los Angeles City Council regarding the Final EIR. The Los Angeles City Council will make findings regarding the extent and nature of the environmental impacts as described in the Final EIR. The Final EIR will need to be certified by the City prior to making a decision to approve or deny the proposed Project. Public input is encouraged at all public hearings before the City.

For additional information about the environmental review process, please email eng.slrcmp@lacity.org.



SOURCE: Hargreaves Jones Landscape Architects, 2022

Silver Lake Reservoir Complex Master Plan Project

