



AB 466: Upper Los Angeles River and Tributaries Revitalization Plan People and Recreation Committee

February 28, 2019

Meeting Agenda



1. Call to order
2. Roll call
3. Approval of minutes
4. Comments from members of the public on items not on the agenda and public testimony on all agenda items
5. Staff update
6. Data compilation update
7. Discussion of site identification with prioritization planning process
8. Presentation on project gaps analysis
9. Discussion of project criteria development planning process
10. Announcement of future meetings and adjournment



Item 4. Comments from members of the Public





Item 5. Staff Update





Item 6. Data Compilation Update



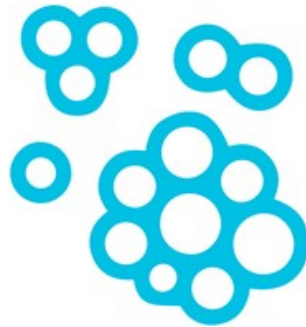
Data Compiled and Analyzed to Date

- + Number of datasets analyzed to date: 45 (and counting)
- + Existing/proposed public transit
- + Existing/proposed active transit
- + Open space
- + Vacant land
- + 100 yr-flood mapping including LOMR
- + Historic registered sites
- + Community assets



EXISTING CONDITIONS

DISADVANTAGED
COMMUNITIES,
PARK NEED,
DENSITY,
PERMEABILITY,
TREE CANOPY



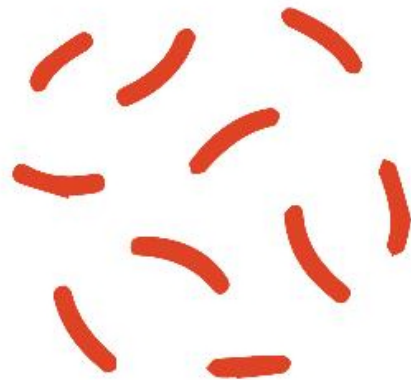
LAND OPPORTUNITIES

VACANT LAND,
PUBLIC LAND,
TRANSMISSION CORRIDORS



PROJECTS

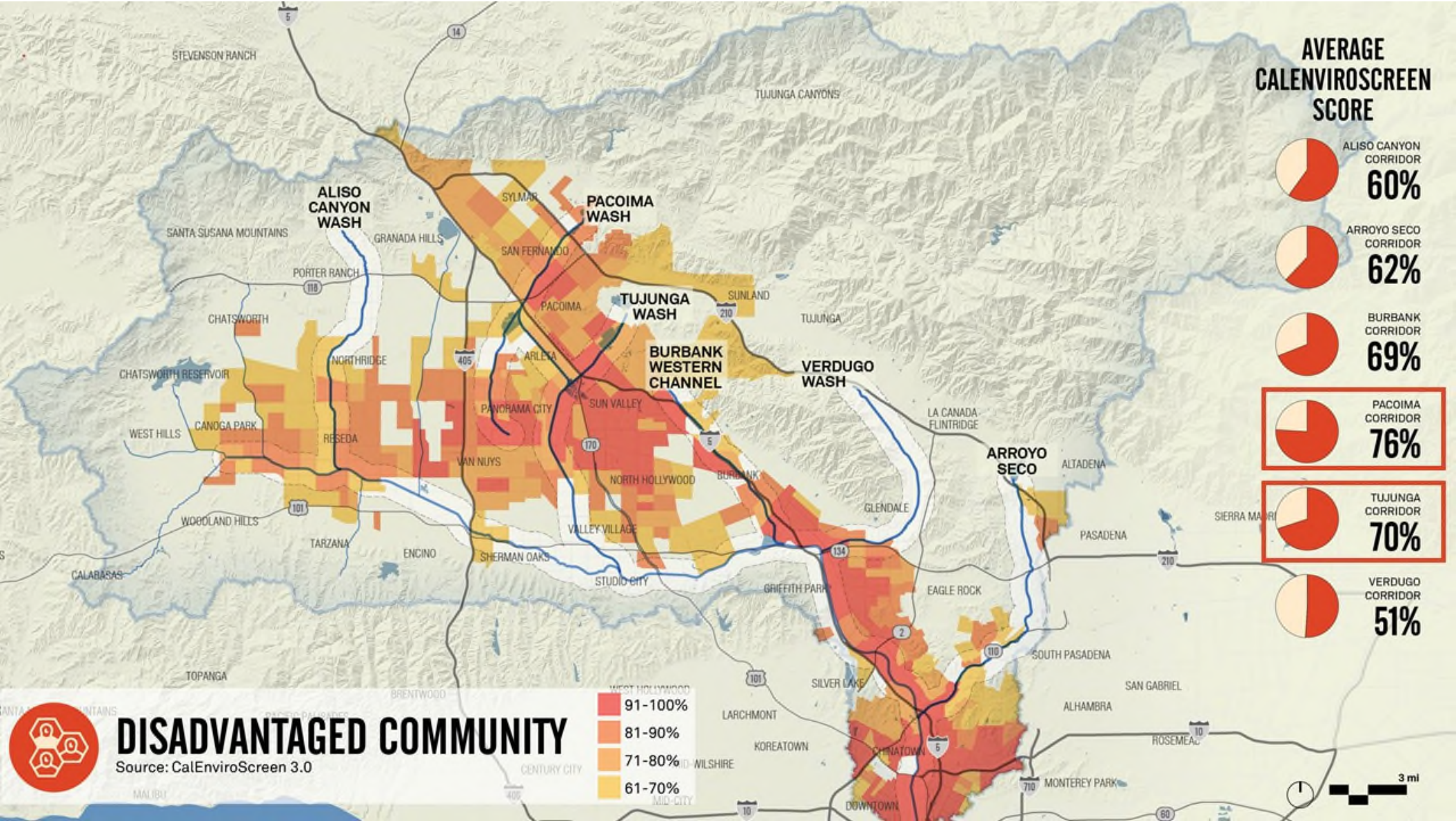
BUILT PROJECTS,
UNDER-CONSTRUCTION
PROJECTS,
PLANNED PROJECTS



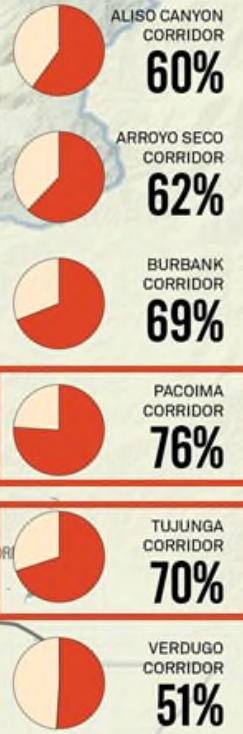
EXISTING CONDITIONS

DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES, PARK NEED, DENSITY,
PERMEABILITY, TREE CANOPY



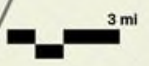
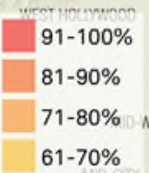


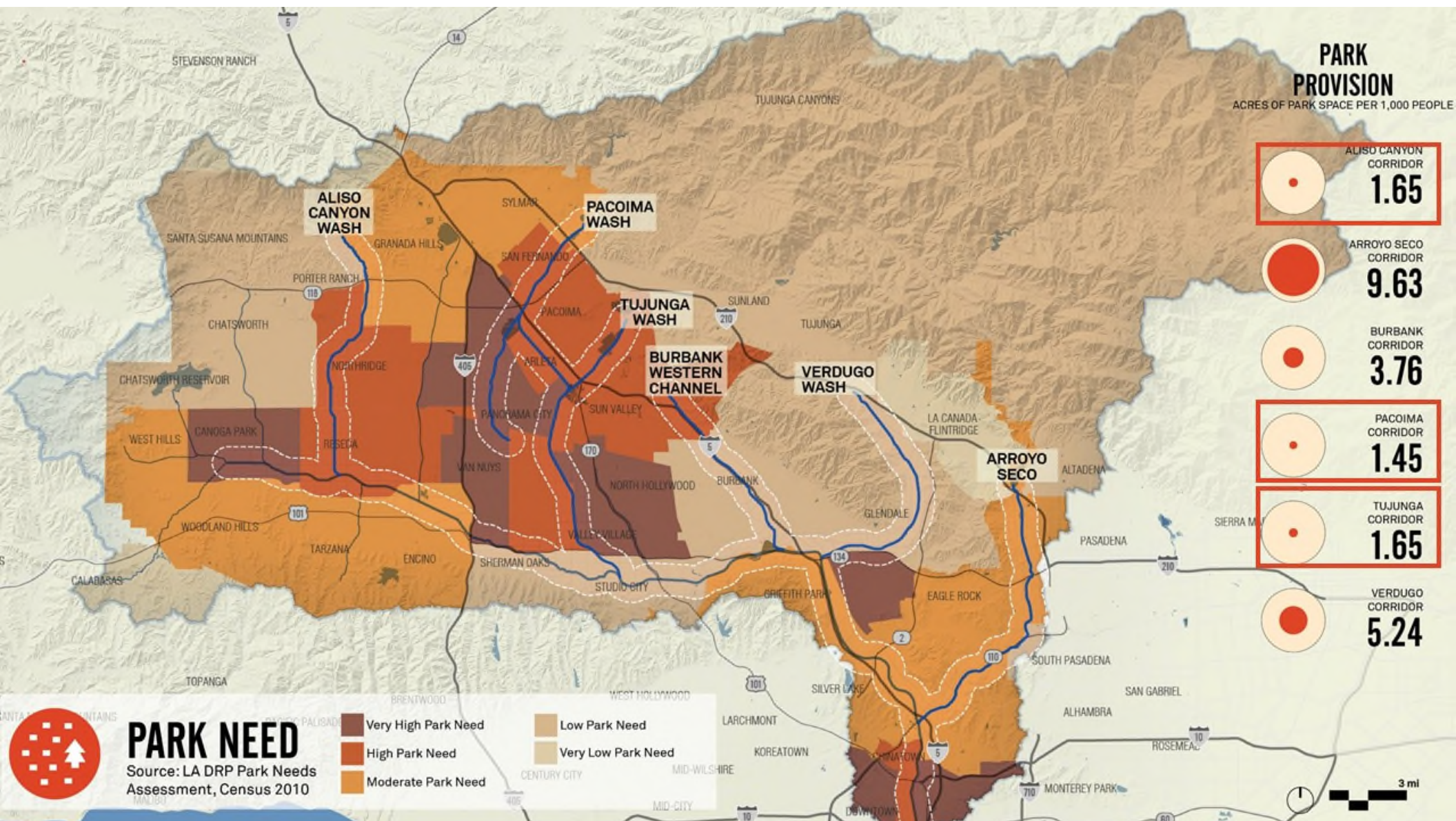
AVERAGE CALENVIROSCREEN SCORE



DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITY

Source: CalEnviroScreen 3.0





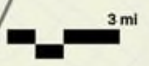
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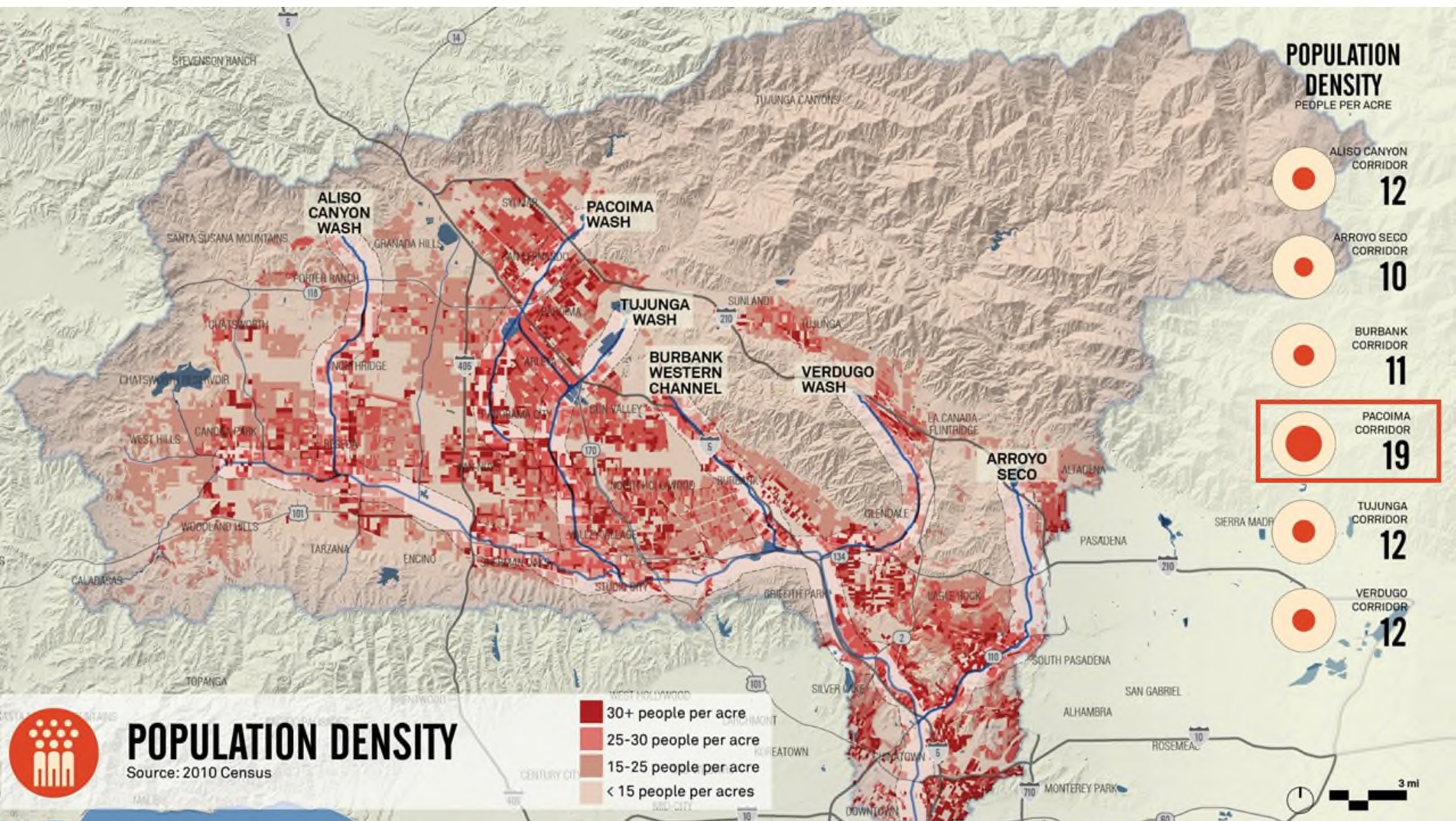
ACRES OF PARK SPACE PER 1,000 PEOPLE

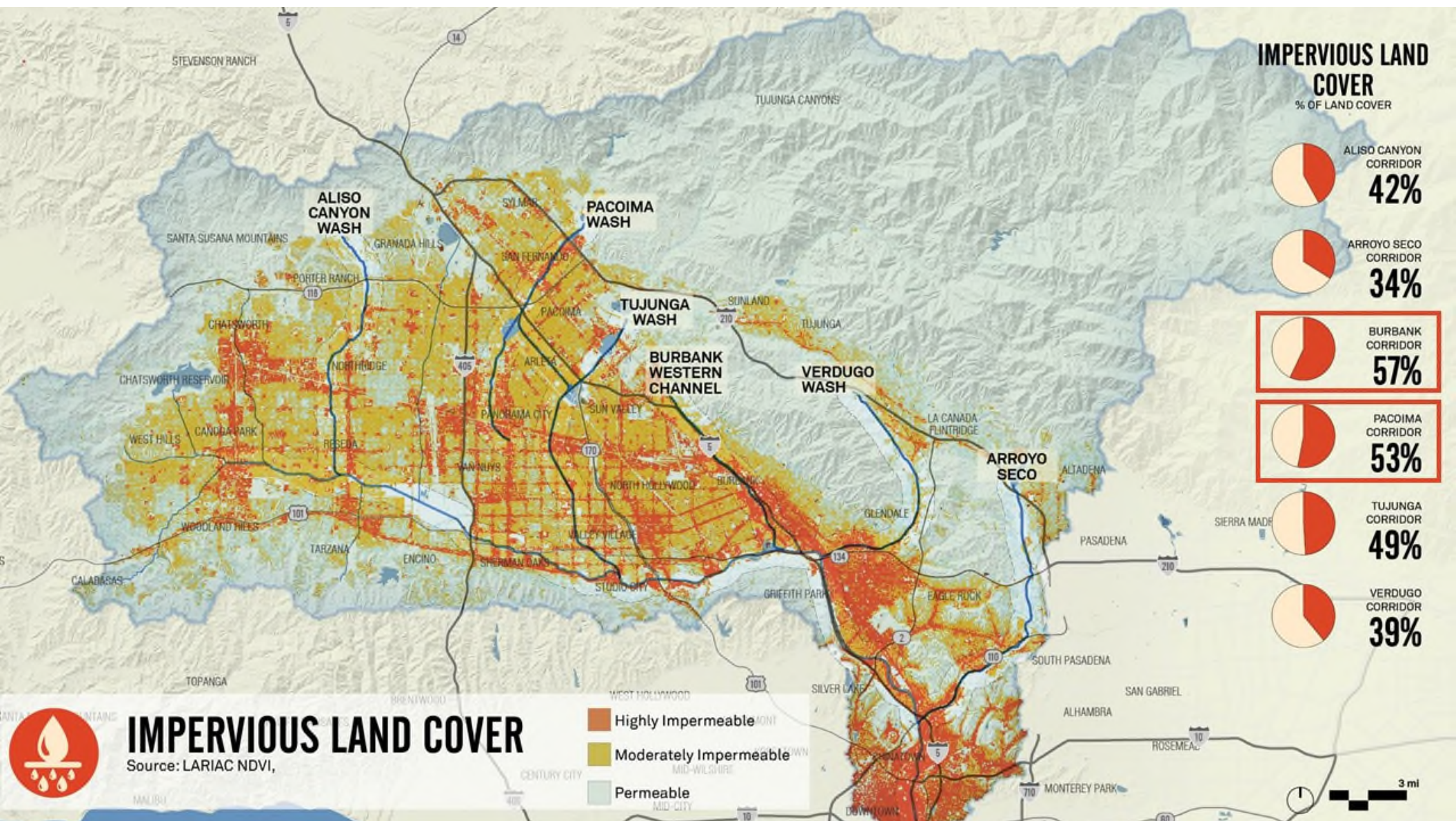


PARK NEED

Source: LA DRP Park Needs Assessment, Census 2010







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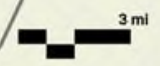
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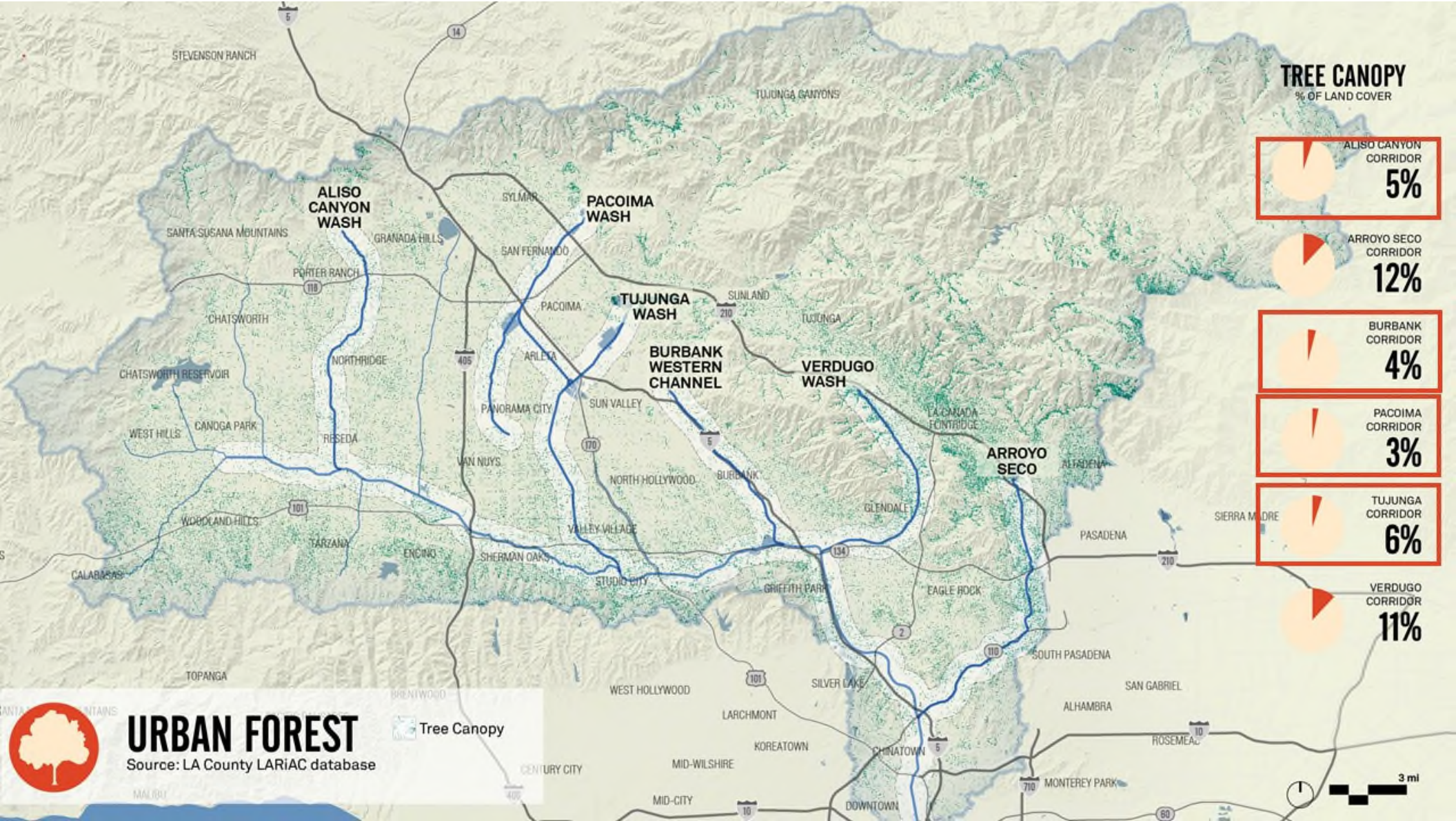


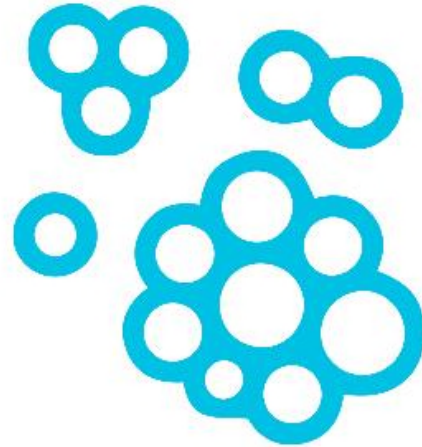
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- Moderately Impermeable
- Permeable



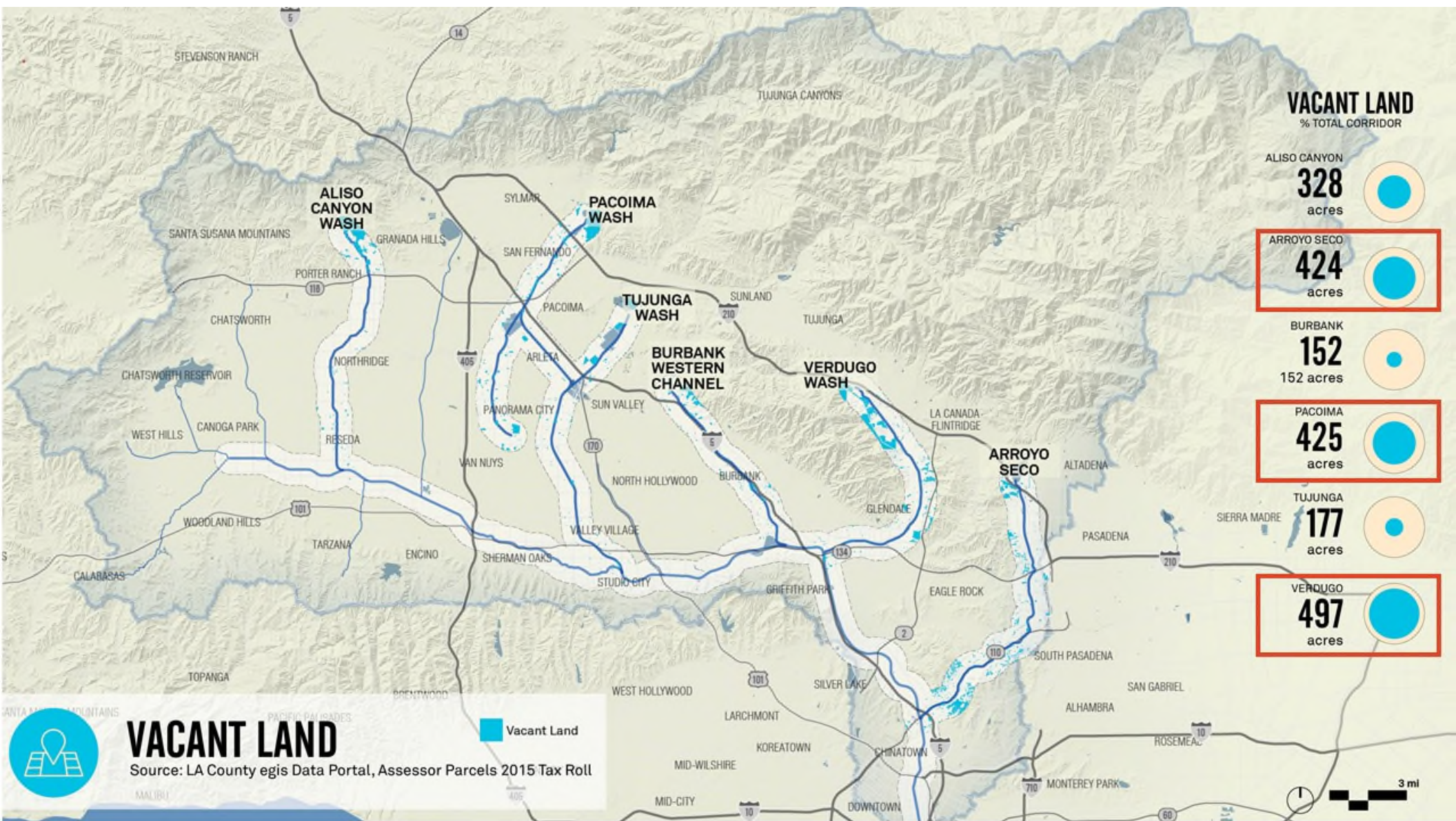




LAND OPPORTUNITIES

VACANT LAND, PUBLIC LAND, TRANSMISSION CORRIDORS, RIGHT-OF-WAY





VACANT LAND
% TOTAL CORRIDOR

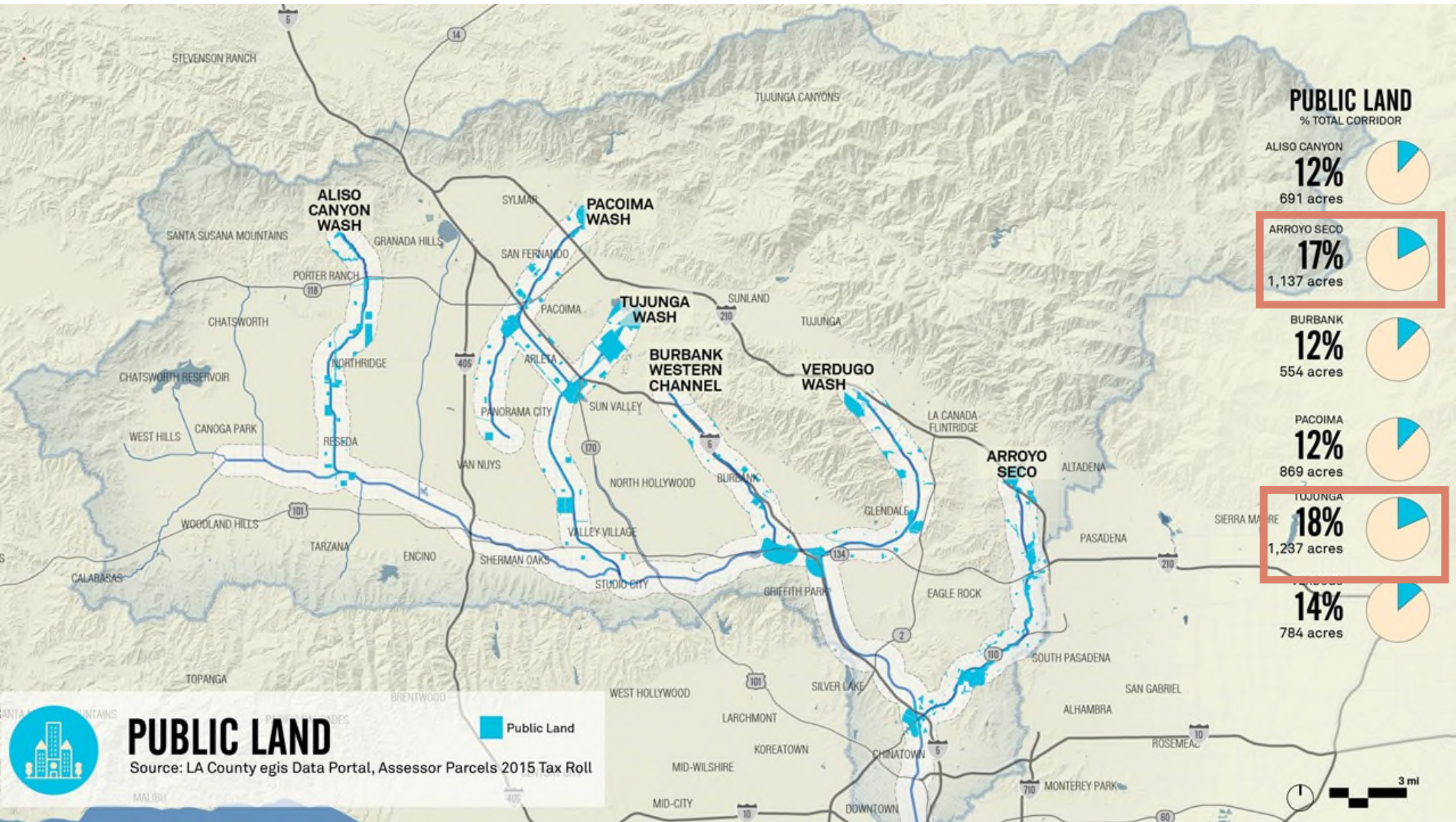
- ALISO CANYON
328
acres
- ARROYO SECO
424
acres
- BURBANK
152
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- PACOIMA
425
acres
- TUJUNGA
177
acres
- VERDUGO
497
acres

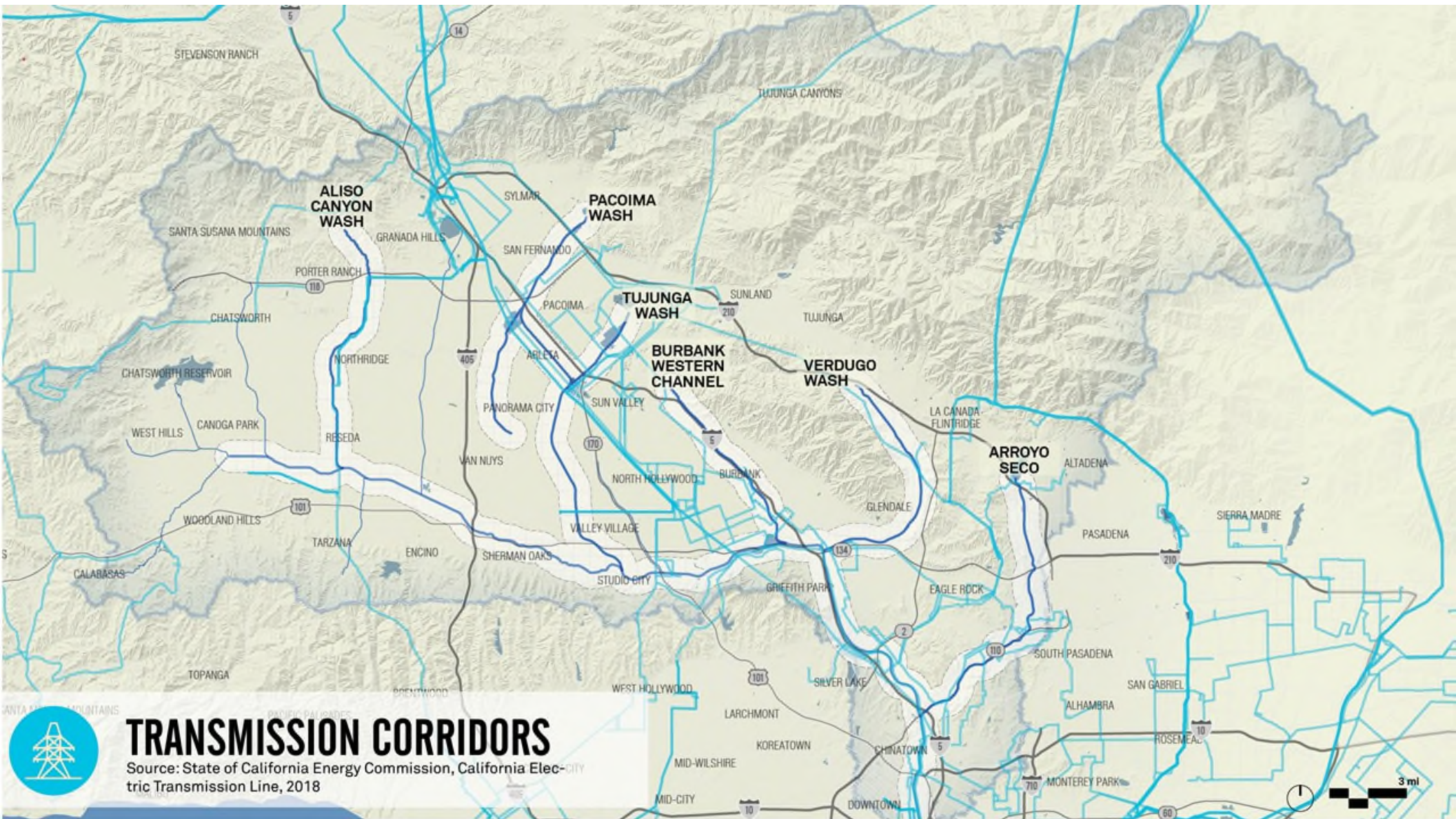
VACANT LAND

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 Vacant Land



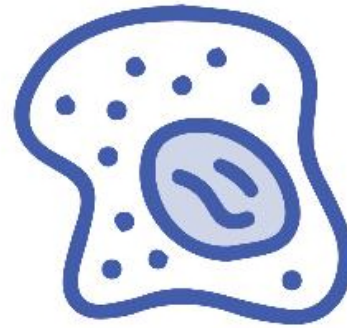




TRANSMISSION CORRIDORS

Source: State of California Energy Commission, California Electric Transmission Line, 2018





PROJECTS

BUILT PROJECTS, UNDER-CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS, PLANNED PROJECTS





BUILT

PART OF PREVIOUS
PLANNING EFFORT

ALREADY CONSTRUCTED



UNDER CONSTRUCTION

PART OF PREVIOUS
PLANNING EFFORT

PARTIAL OR COMPLETE FUNDED

CONSTRUCTION HAS BEGUN



PLANNED

PART OF PREVIOUS
PLANNING EFFORT

NOT FUNDED

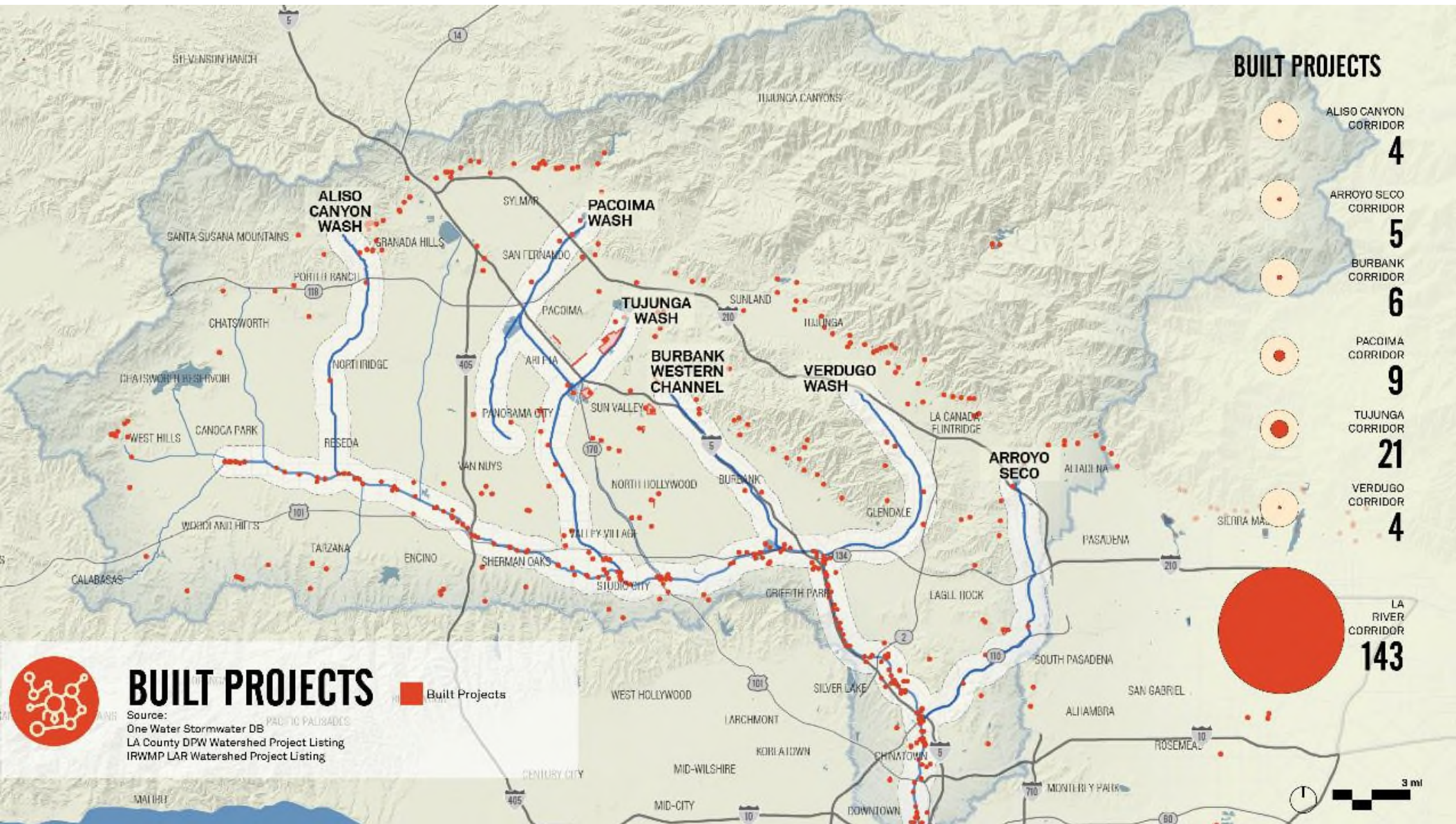
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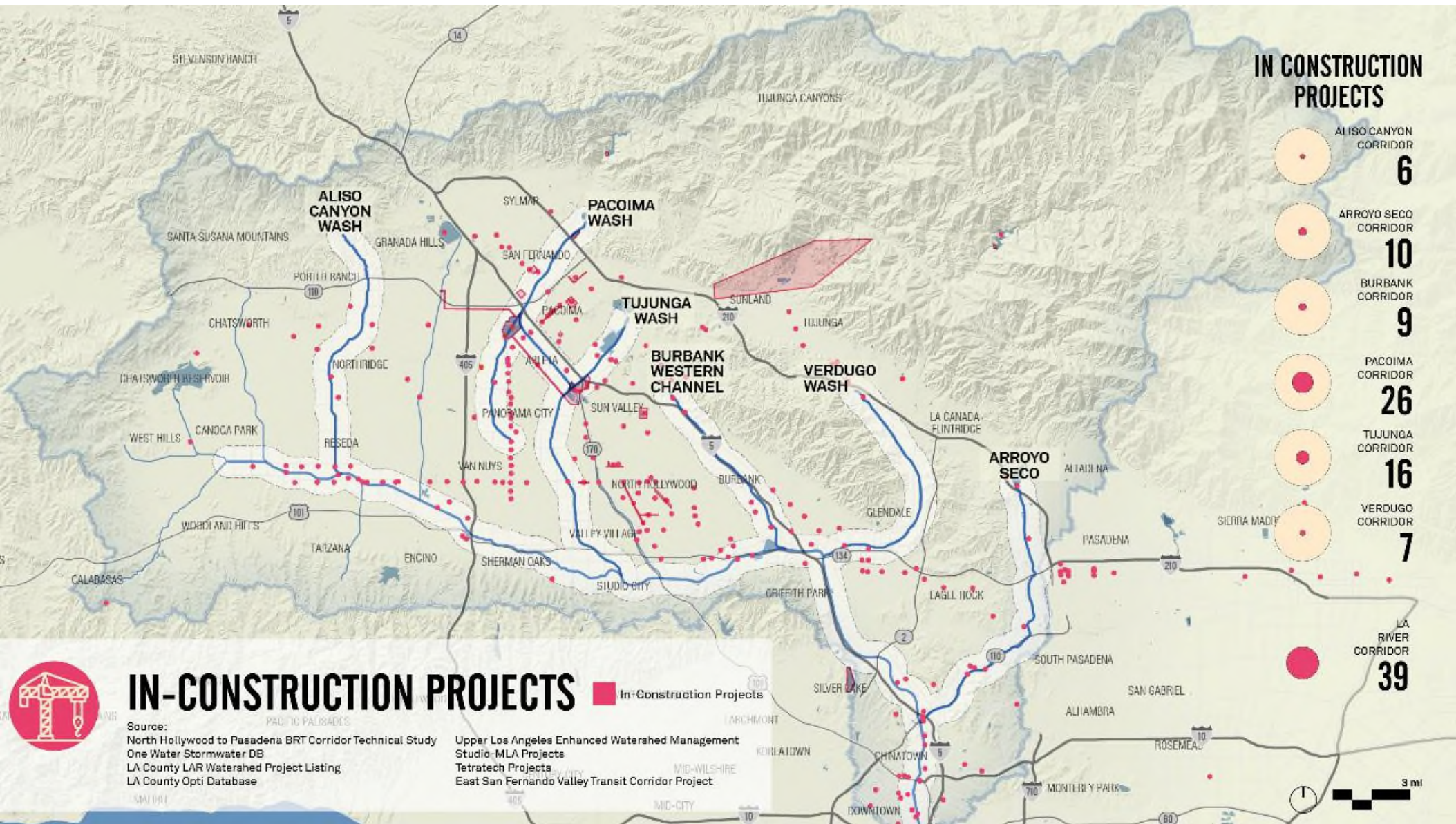


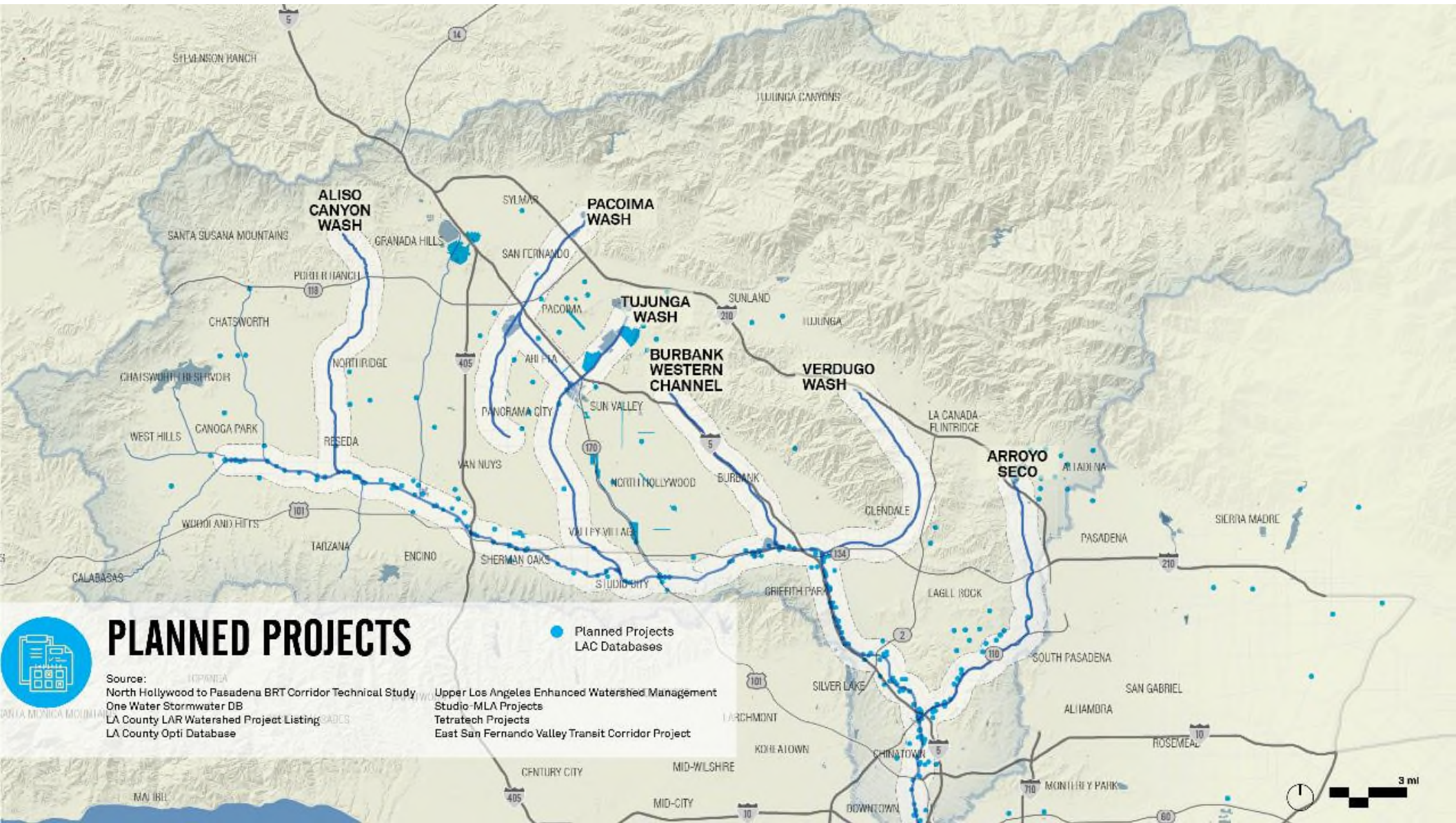
LITERATURE REVIEW

PART OF LITERATURE
REVIEW DOCUMENTS

CONSTRUCTION AND
FUNDING STATUS VARIES





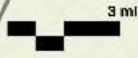


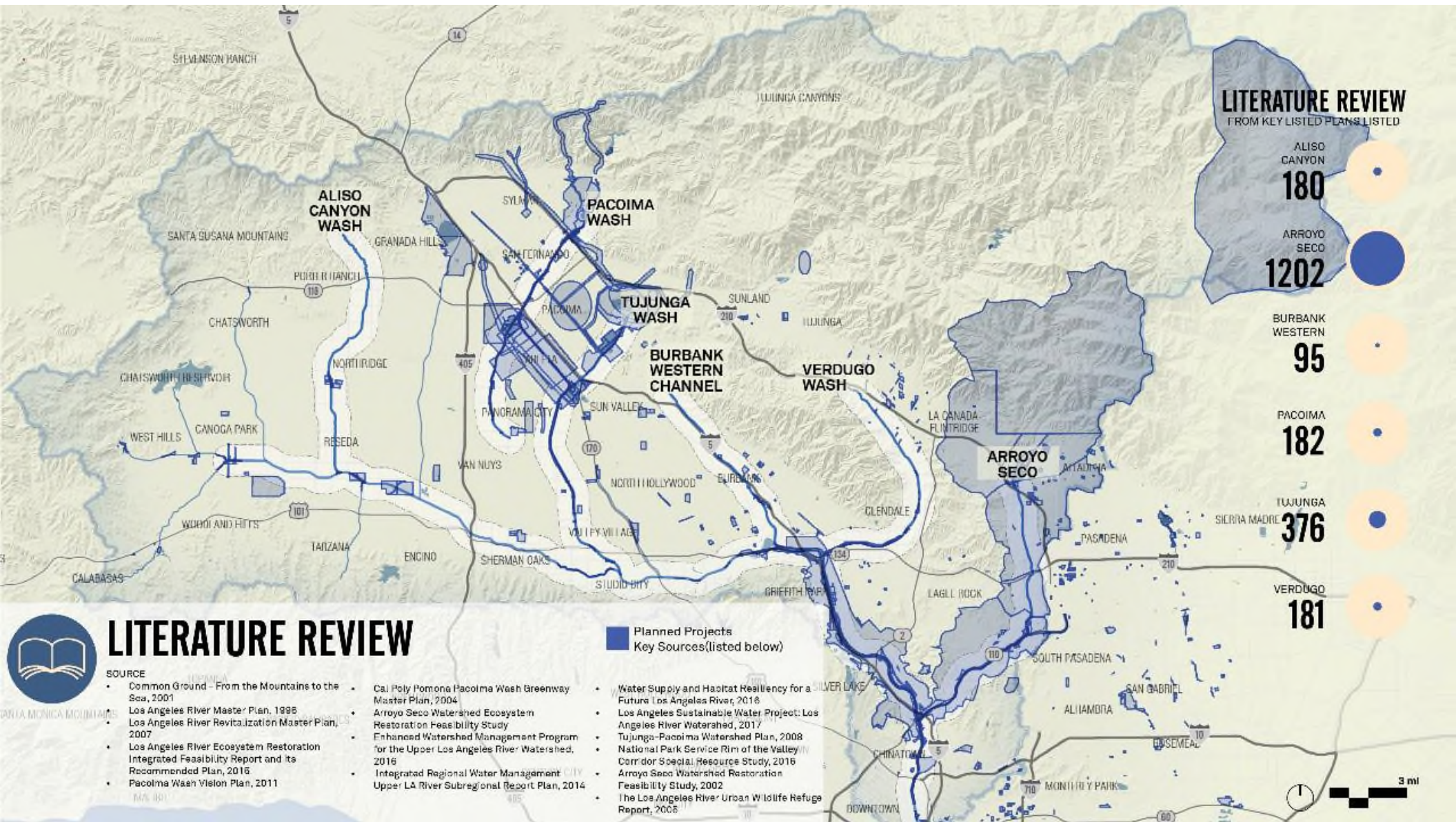
PLANNED PROJECTS

Source:
 North Hollywood to Pasadena BRT Corridor Technical Study
 One Water Stormwater DB
 LA County LAR Watershed Project Listing
 LA County Opti Database

Upper Los Angeles Enhanced Watershed Management
 Studio-MLA Projects
 Tetratech Projects
 East San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor Project

● Planned Projects
 LAC Databases





LITERATURE REVIEW

FROM KEY LISTED PLANS LISTED

ALISO CANYON
180

ARROYO SECO
1202

BURBANK WESTERN
95

PACOIMA
182

TUJUNGA
376

VERDUGO
181

LITERATURE REVIEW

SOURCE

- Common Ground - From the Mountains to the Sea, 2001
- Los Angeles River Master Plan, 1998
- Los Angeles River Revitalization Master Plan, 2007
- Los Angeles River Ecosystem Restoration Integrated Feasibility Report and its Recommended Plan, 2016
- Pacoima Wash Vision Plan, 2011
- Cal Poly Pomona Pacoima Wash Greenway Master Plan, 2004
- Arroyo Seco Watershed Ecosystem Restoration Feasibility Study
- Enhanced Watershed Management Program for the Upper Los Angeles River Watershed, 2016
- Integrated Regional Water Management Upper LA River Subregional Report Plan, 2014
- Water Supply and Habitat Resiliency for a Future Los Angeles River, 2018
- Los Angeles Sustainable Water Project: Los Angeles River Watershed, 2017
- Tujunga-Pacoima Watershed Plan, 2008
- National Park Service Rim of the Valley Corridor Special Resource Study, 2016
- Arroyo Seco Watershed Restoration Feasibility Study, 2002
- The Los Angeles River Urban Wildlife Refuge Report, 2005

Planned Projects
Key Sources (listed below)

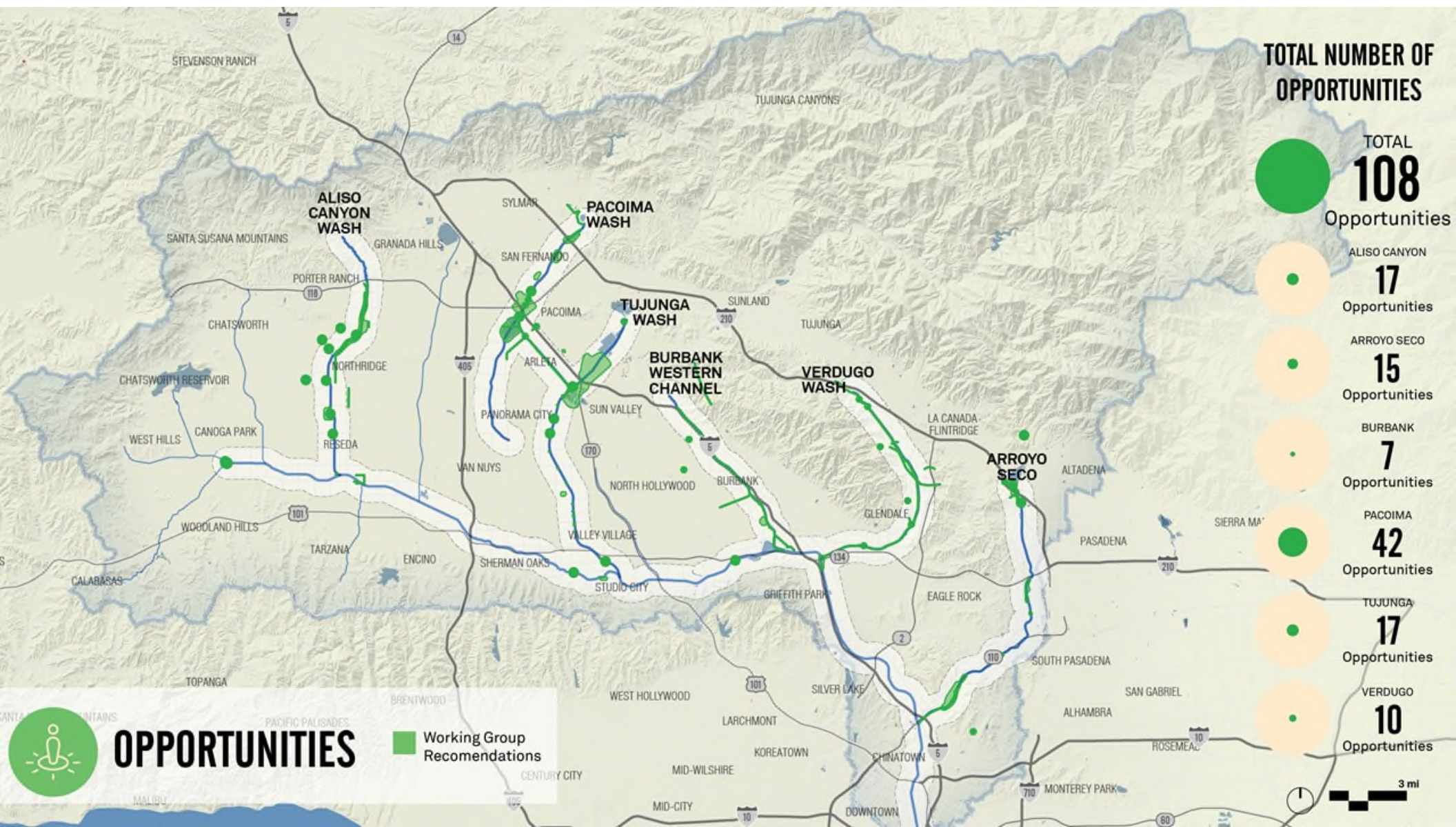
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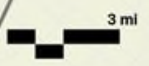
NOTED OPPORTUNITIES

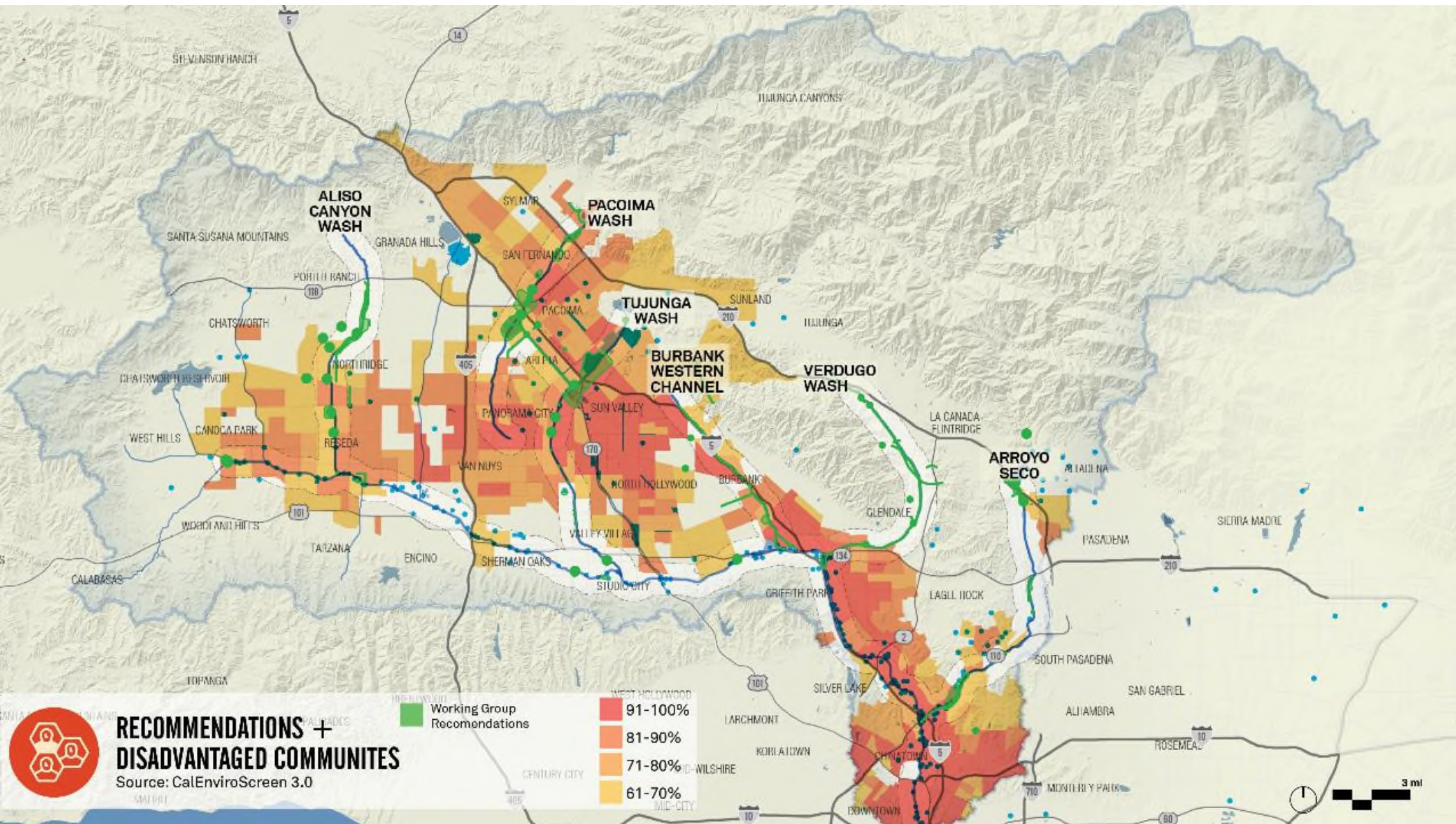
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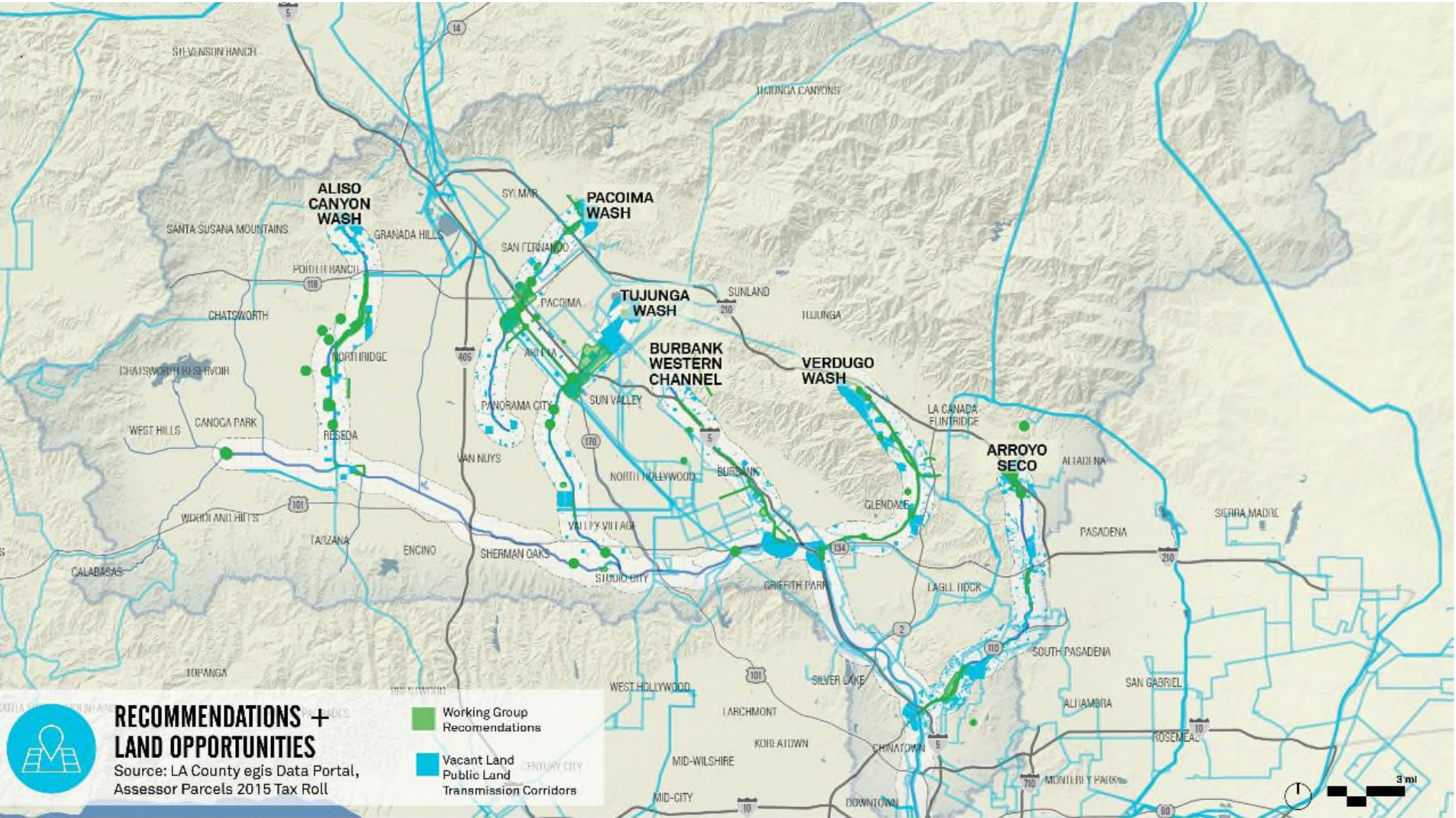




TOTAL NUMBER OF OPPORTUNITIES



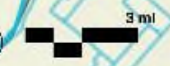


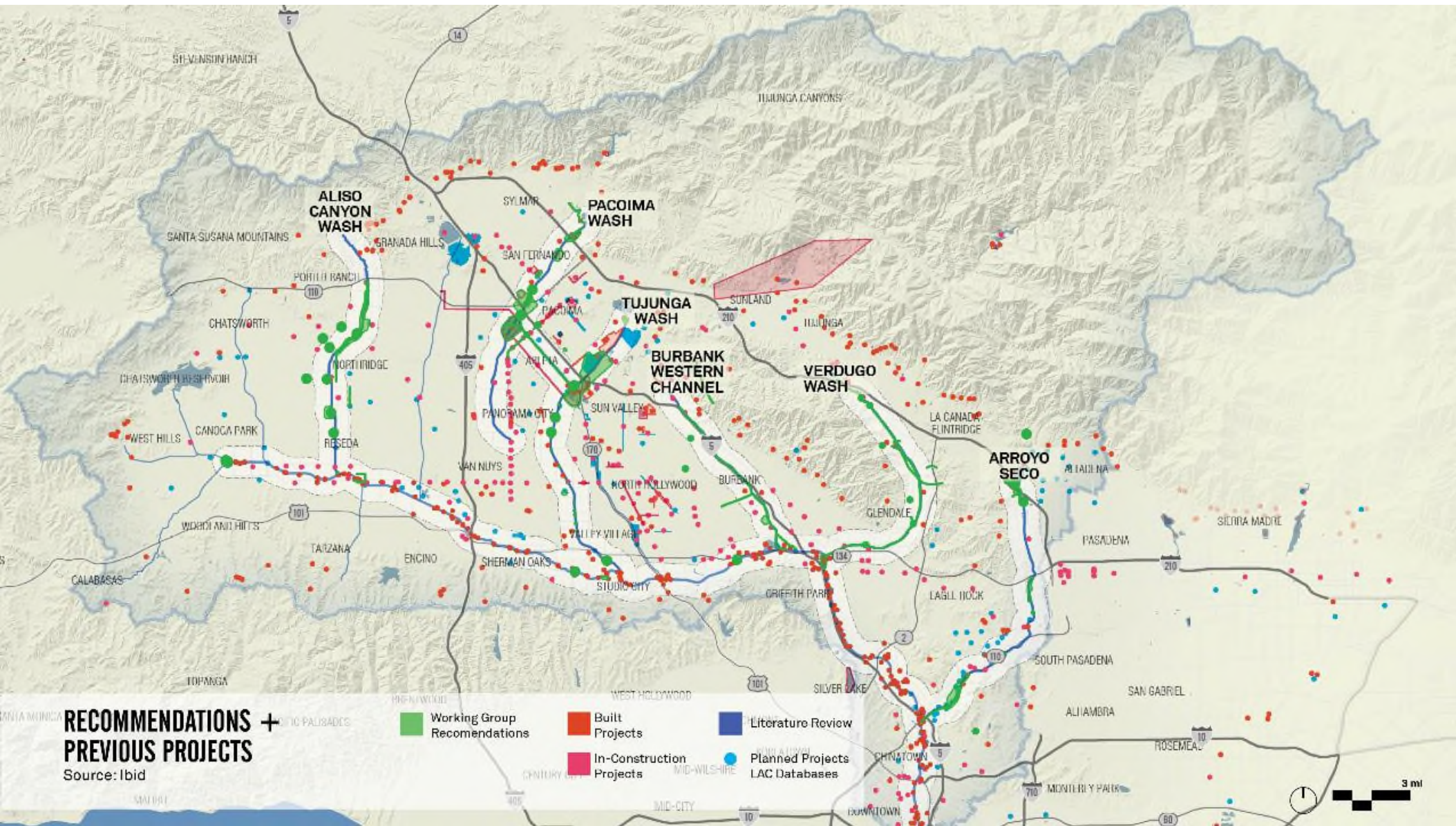


RECOMMENDATIONS + LAND OPPORTUNITIES

Source: LA County egis Data Portal, Assessor Parcels 2015 Tax Roll

- Working Group Recommendations
- Vacant Land Public Land Transmission Corridors

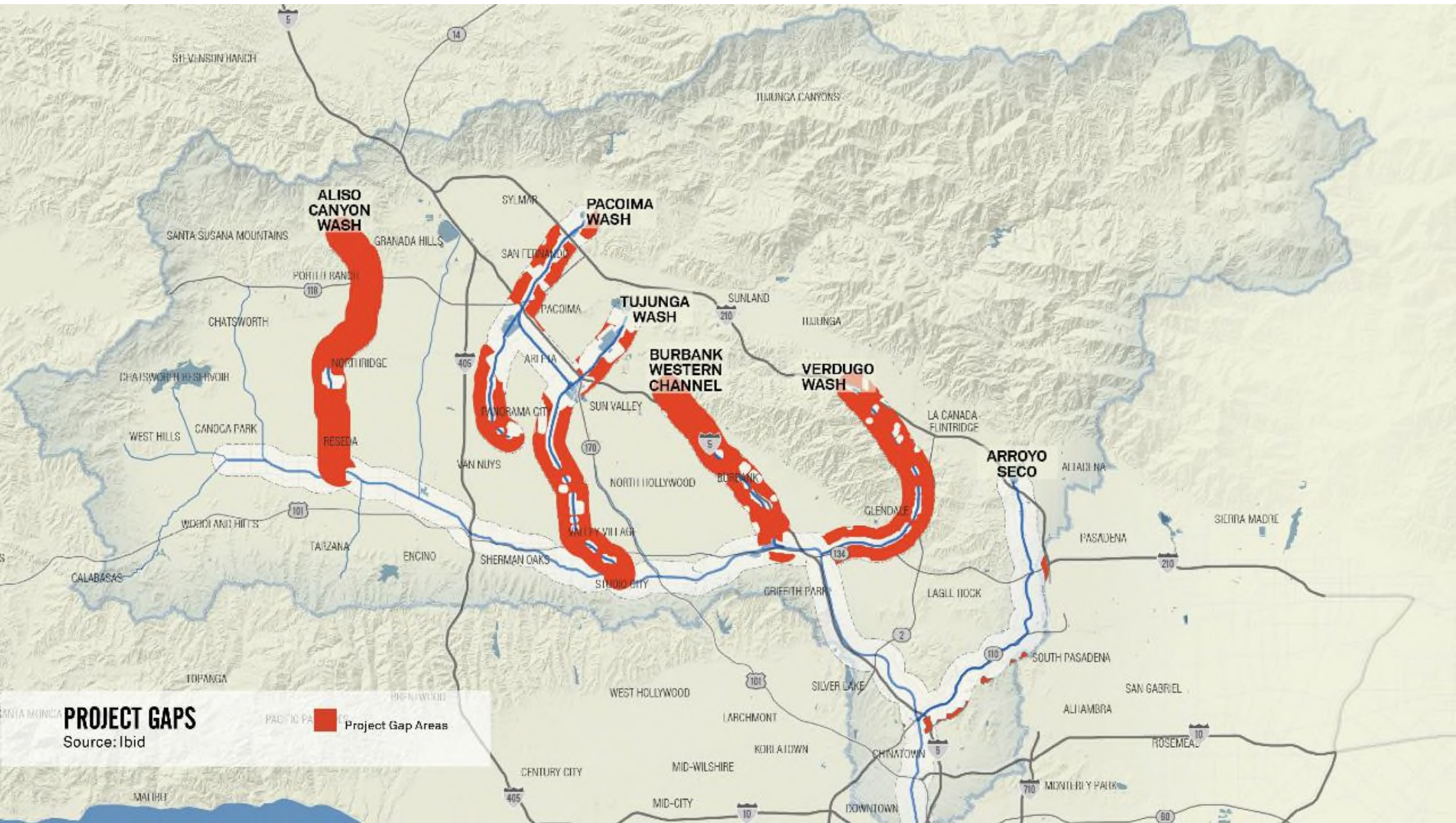






Item 7. Presentation on Project Gaps Analysis





PROJECT GAPS

Source: Ibid

Project Gap Areas



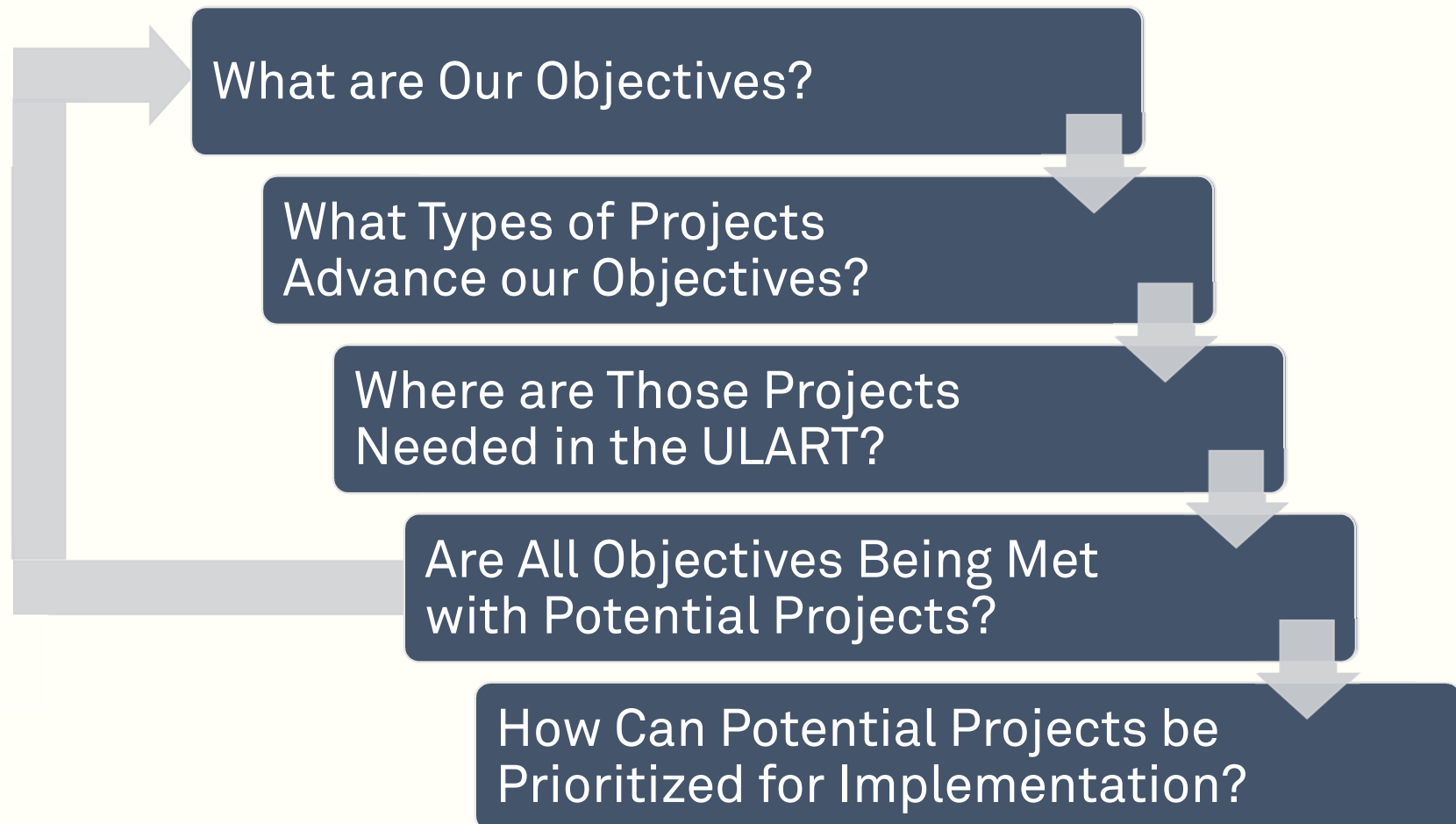
Item 8. Discussion of Site Identification with Prioritization Planning Process



Planning Framework

- + Compile list of projects
- + Analyze each project
- + Provide improvement recommendations
- + Create a score
- + Revisit to better meet objectives

Multi-benefit Planning Framework



People and Environment Committee Purpose

The purpose of the People and Recreation committee is to identify and prioritize the opportunities that focus on the community need for public space and recreation within and along the Upper Los Angeles River and its Tributaries with special consideration for:

- + Culture and arts
- + Economic workforce development
- + The special needs community
- + Recreation and equitable access for all
- + Integration of the water and environment

Step 1. Address Objectives

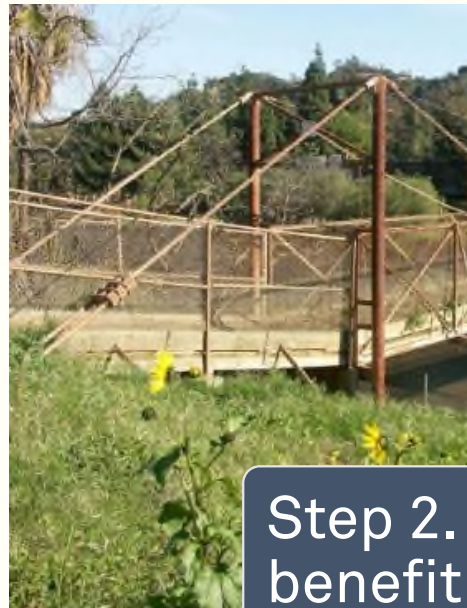
Objectives

- +Feature and promote the importance of **community and local culture**
- +Identify and create improved, inspirational, **inclusive access and connectivity to public space**, the river and tributaries for all users
- +Incorporate and identify opportunities for **education, recreation, ecosystem and habitat restoration**, passive recreation, and examine their relationship with baseflows
- +Focus on **social equity and environmental justice**
- +Strengthen local businesses to foster **job creation and economic growth**

Step 1. Address Objectives

Example P&R Improvements from Committee

- + Destination stops
- + Public art and murals
- + River crossings
- + Community land trusts



Step 2. Identify feasible multi-benefit improvements

Clearly Tying Improvements to Objectives

+Objective: Feature and promote the importance of community and local culture

Applicable Improvements (“Building Blocks”)

- +Additional permanent homeless shelters
- +Community land trusts
- +Destination stops
- +Public art and murals

**Bundle into
Multi-Benefit
Projects in Step 3**

Step 2. Identify feasible multi-benefit improvements



PROJECT GAPS

Source: Ibid



Do something here!

Vanalden Park & Sediment Basins

LIMEKILN CREEK

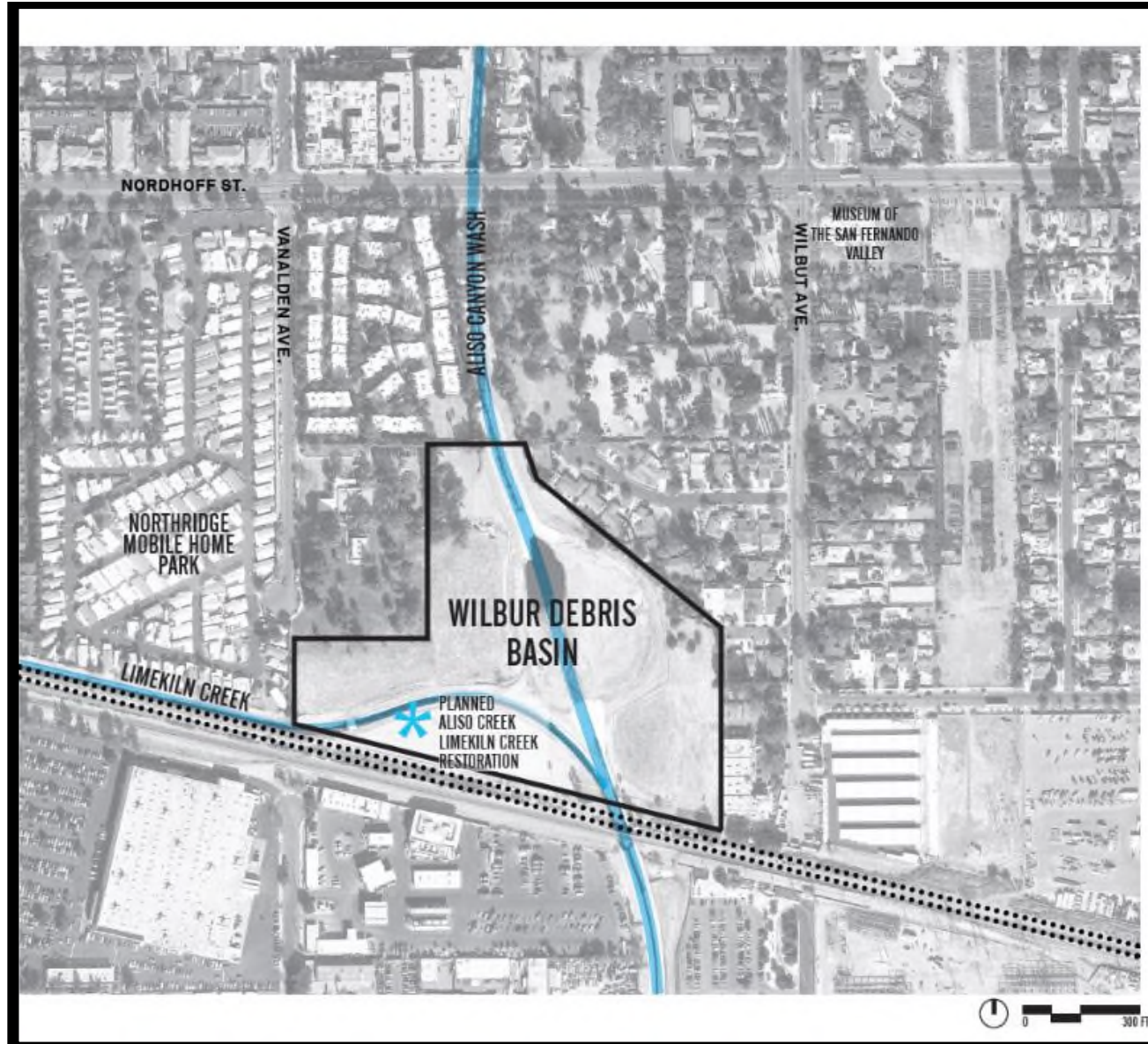
Opportunity for connectivity to adjacent schools - connect to nearby

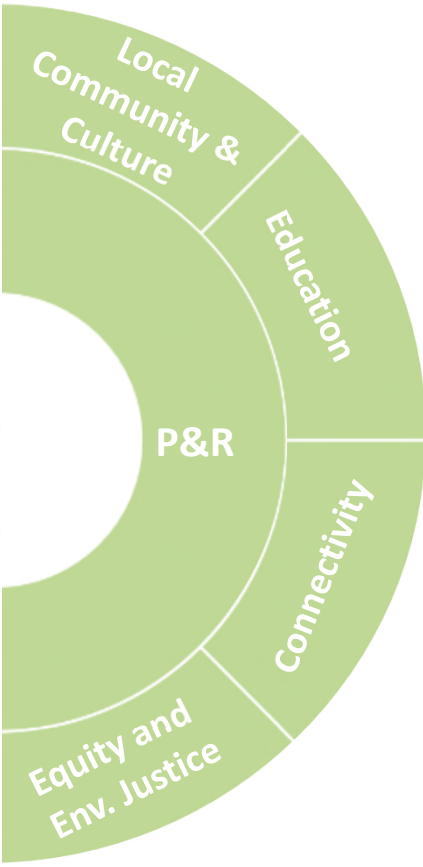
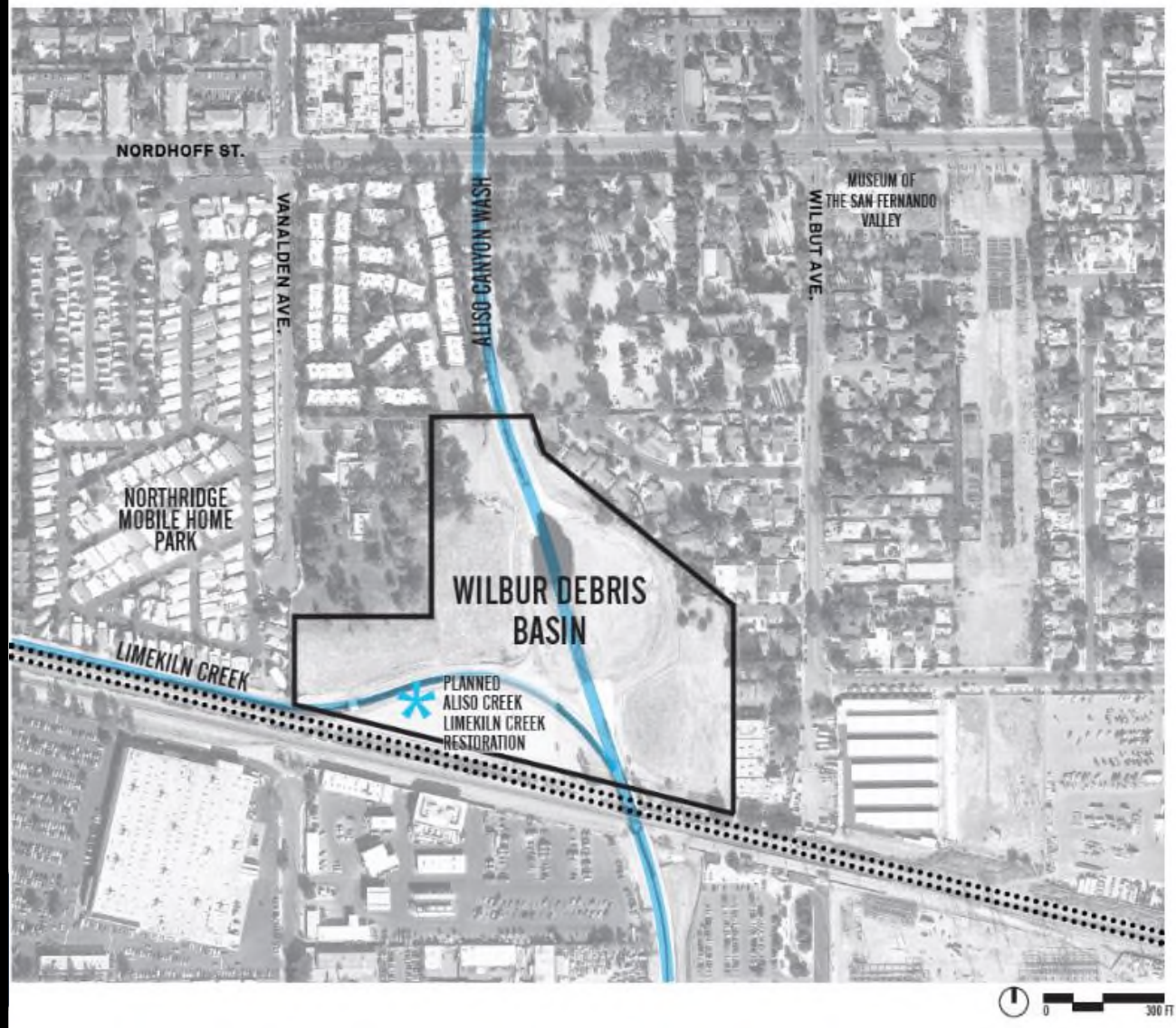
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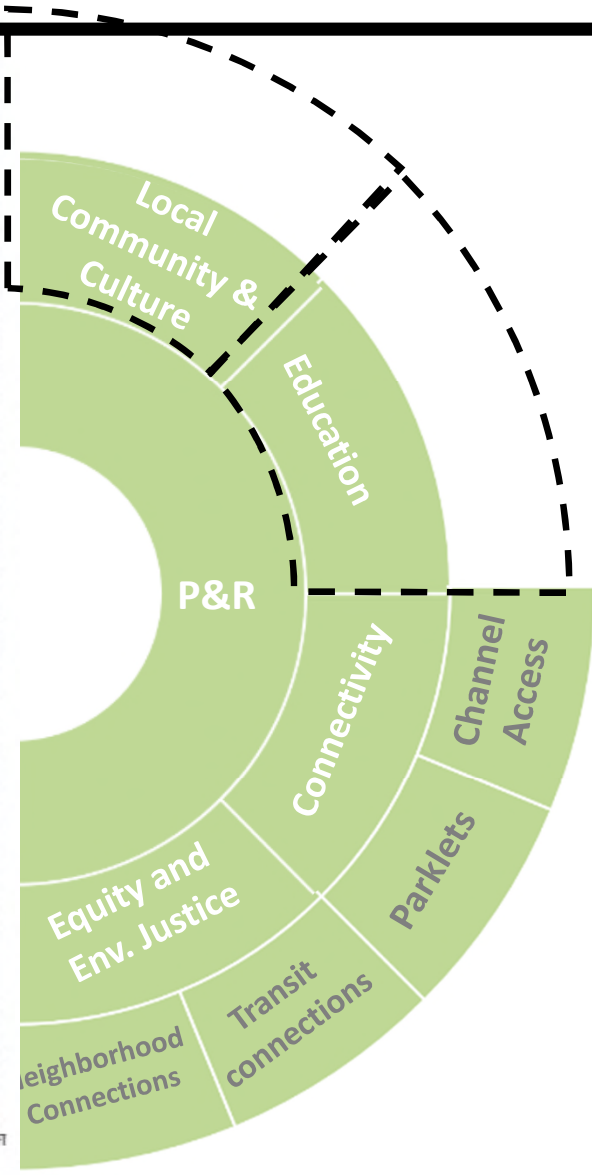
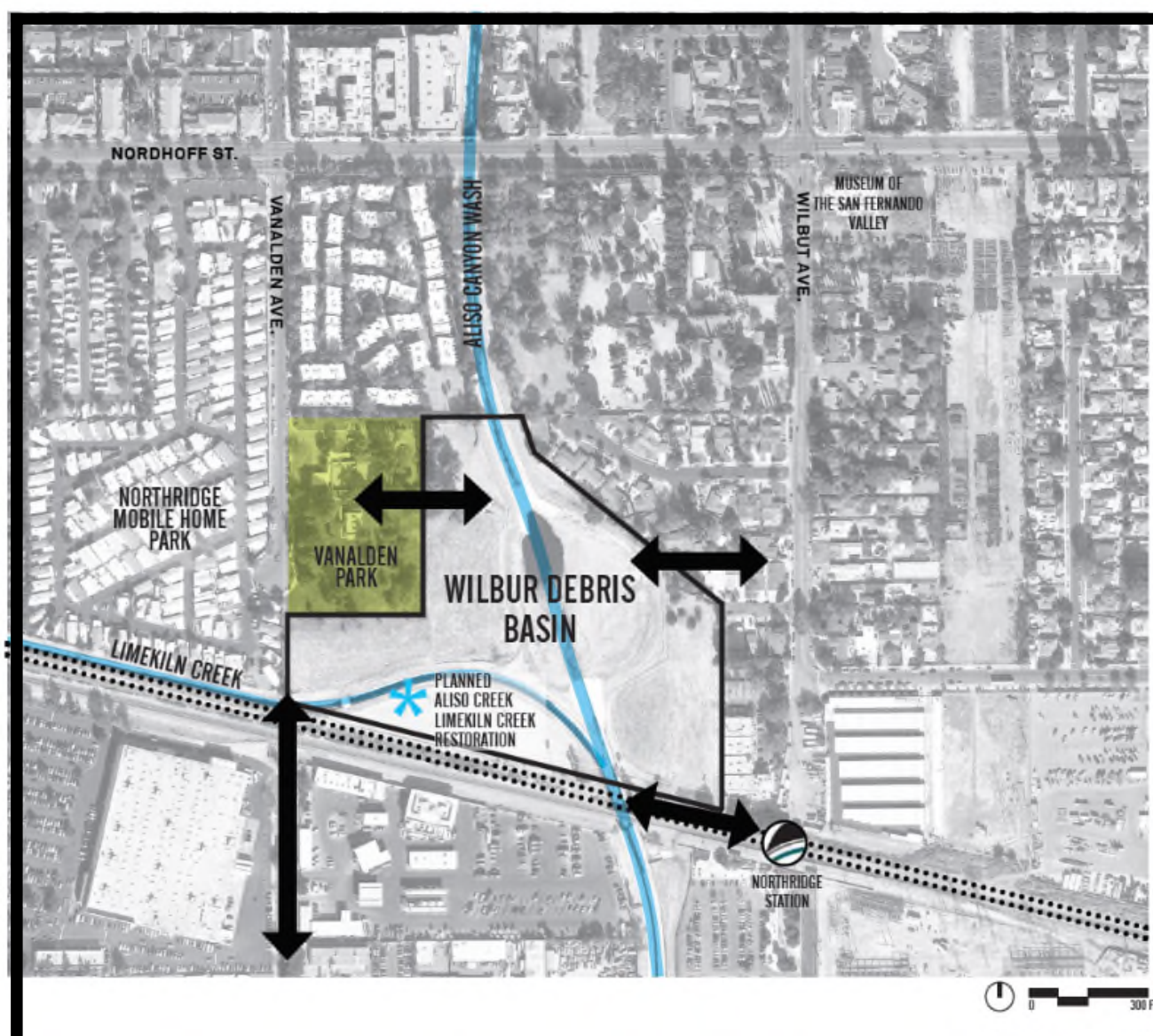
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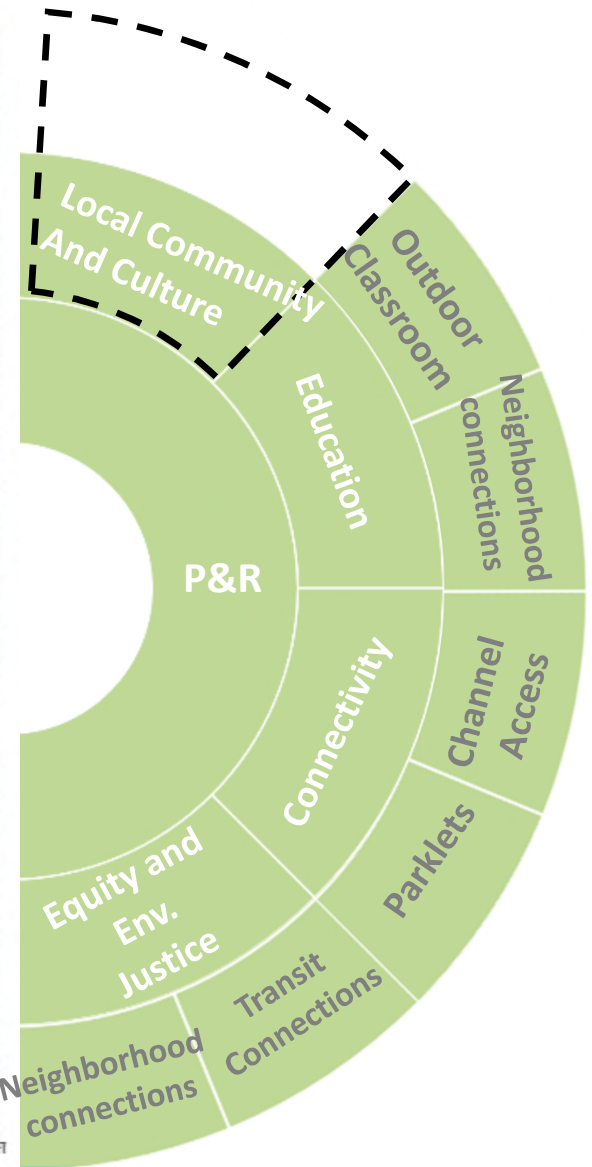
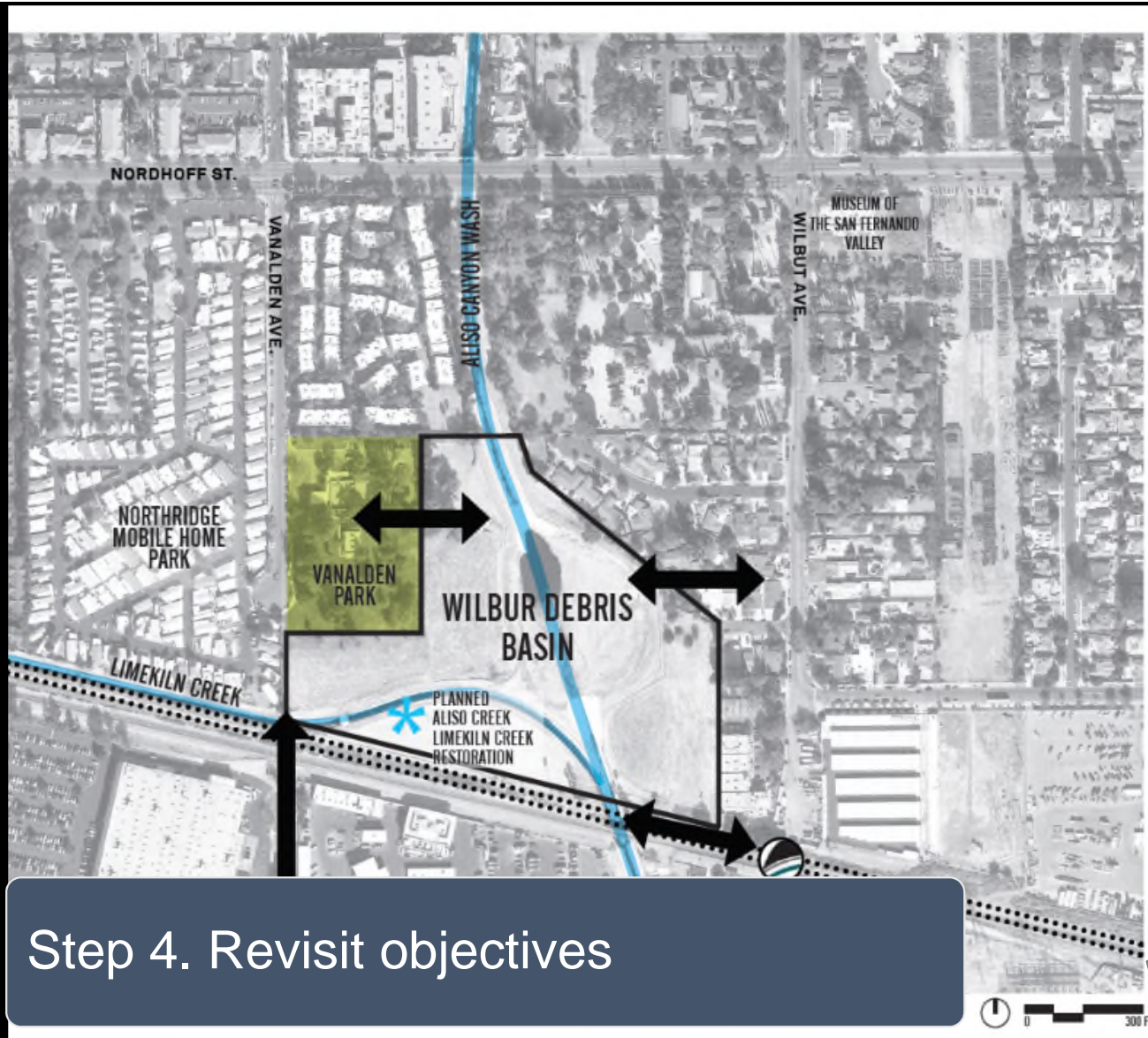
ALISO CANYON WASH

- + Aliso Canyon Wash
- + Publicly Owned Land
- + Tributary Adjacent
- + Portions Already Planned
- + Comment from November Committee Meeting







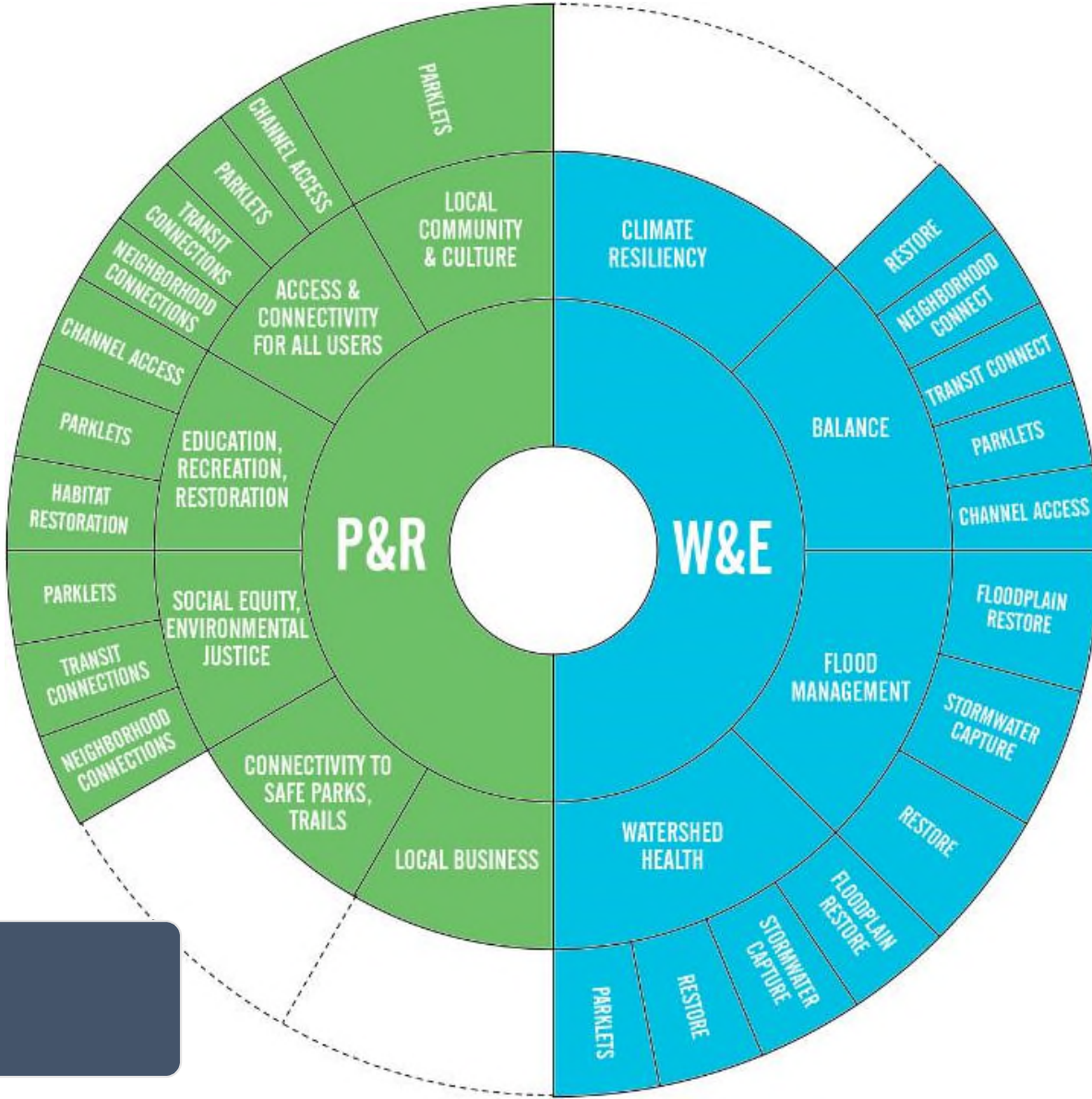


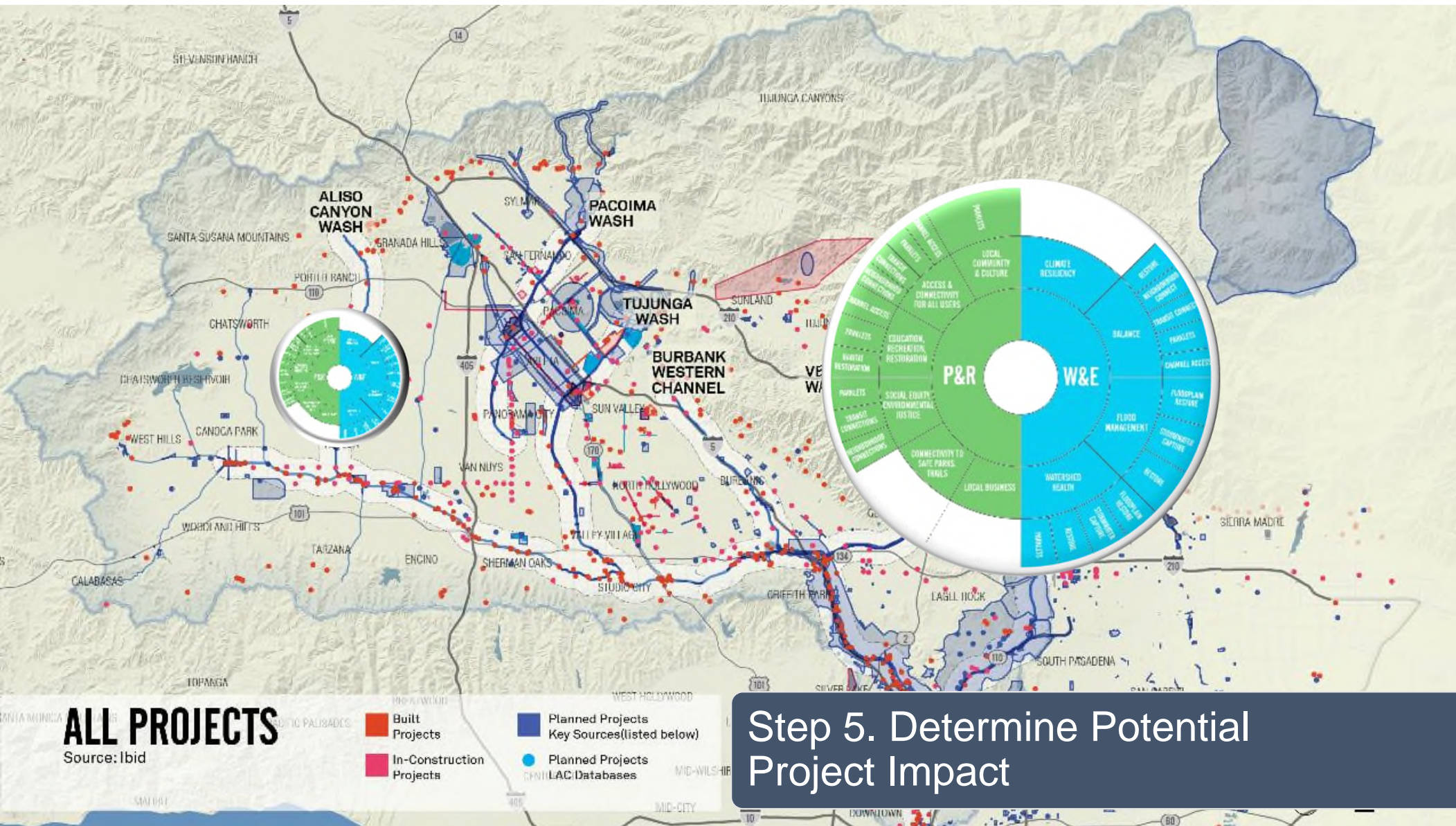
Step 4. Revisit objectives

All Objectives

People and Recreation	Feature and promote the importance of the community and local culture
	Identify and create improved, inspirational, inclusive access and connectivity to public space, the river and tributaries for all users
	Incorporate and Identify opportunities for education, recreation, ecosystem and habitat restoration, passive recreation, and examine their relationship with baseflows
	Provide connectivity to safe parks, open spaces, trails
	Focus on social equity and environmental justice during the planning process
	Strengthen local business and vendors to foster job creation and economic growth
Water and Environment	Create equitable opportunities to enhance the ecosystem, watershed health, water supply, improve water quality, habitat, biodiversity and watershed health
	Maintain or enhance flood management
	Balance the utilization of available space and resources for both the environment and the community
	Assess all opportunities for resiliency to climate change

Step 5. Determine Potential Project Impact





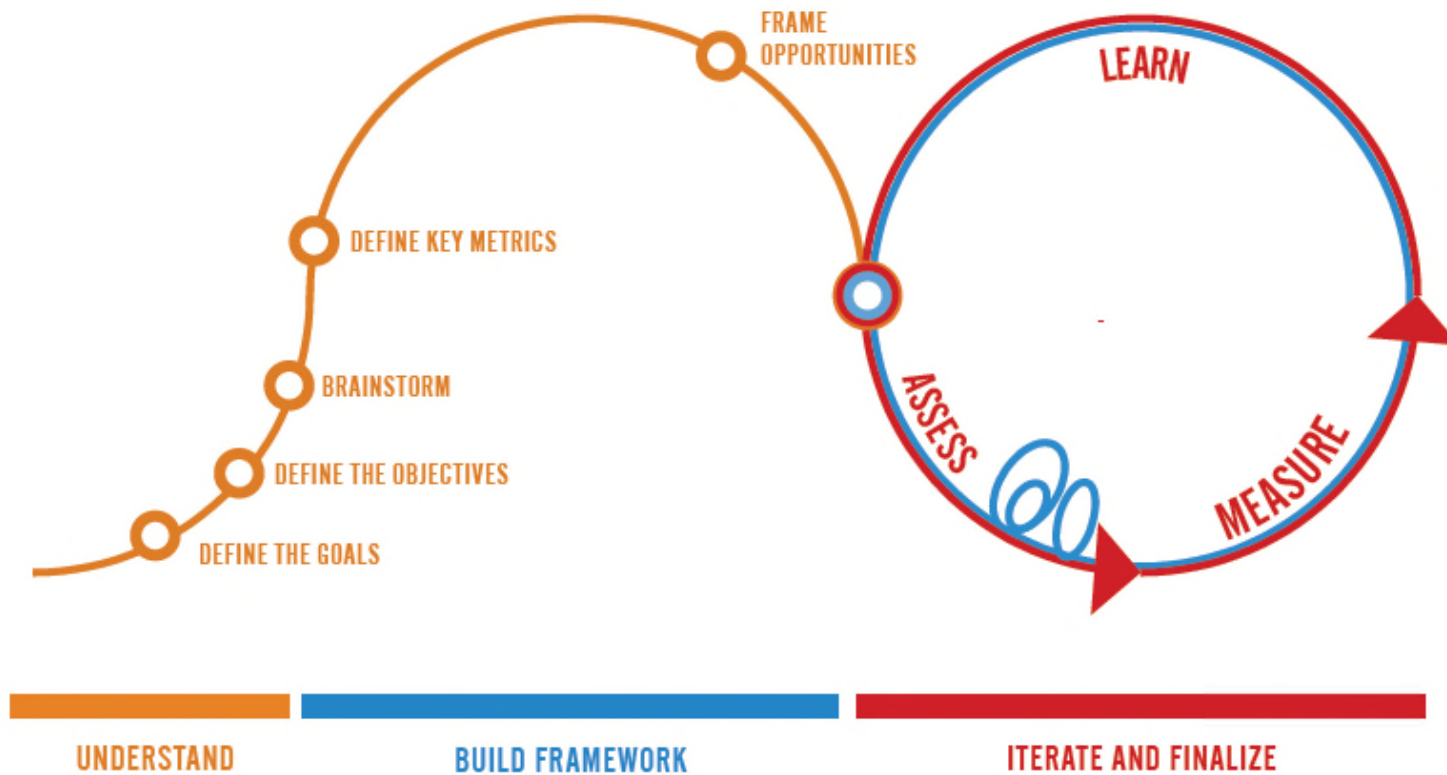
ALL PROJECTS

Source: Ibid

- Built Projects
- In-Construction Projects
- Planned Projects Key Sources (listed below)
- Planned Projects LAC Databases

Step 5. Determine Potential Project Impact

Planning Framework



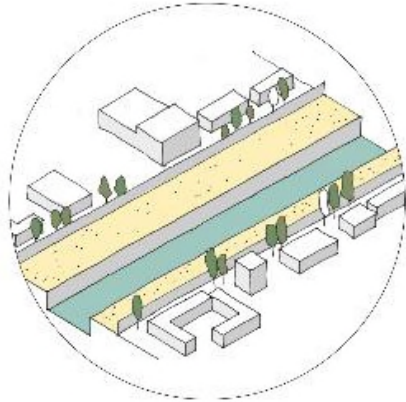


Item 9. Discussion of Project Criteria Development Planning Process

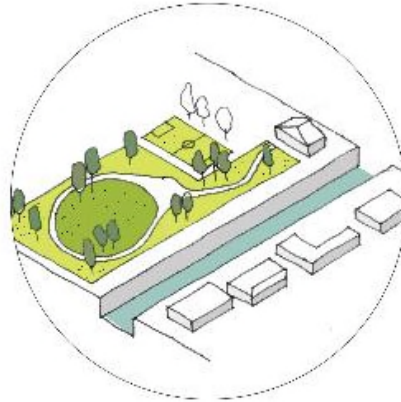


Exercise: Discuss and develop improvements for example projects

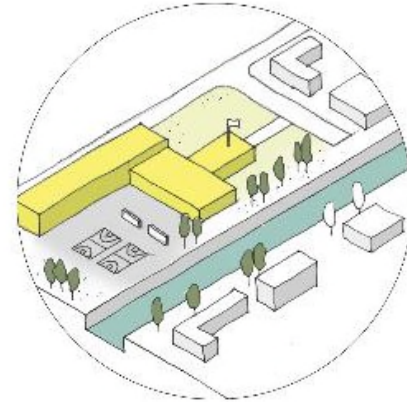
- + Sites represent the different typologies identified during committee and working group meetings
- + One site per selected tributaries
- + Purpose is to discuss needs and provide input for those types of projects (schools, bridges, etc.) and projects along those tributaries
- + Join the planning team for a site level project example analysis



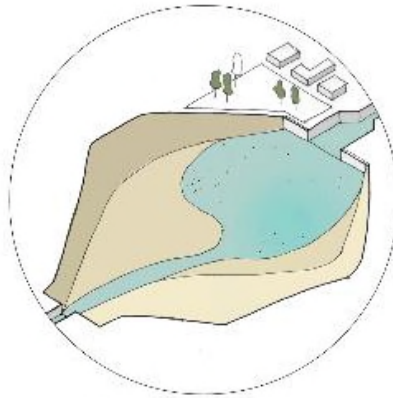
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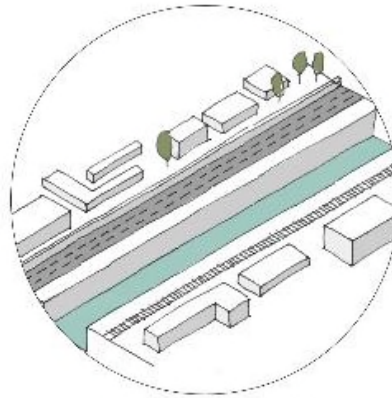
Existing Park



School



Stormwater Basin

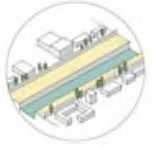


Bridge / Urban
Barrier



Ecological Connection

OPPORTUNITY SITE LAND TYPOLOGIES



CHANNEL RIGHT-OF-WAY

BURBANK WESTERN CHANNEL



SIZE

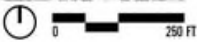
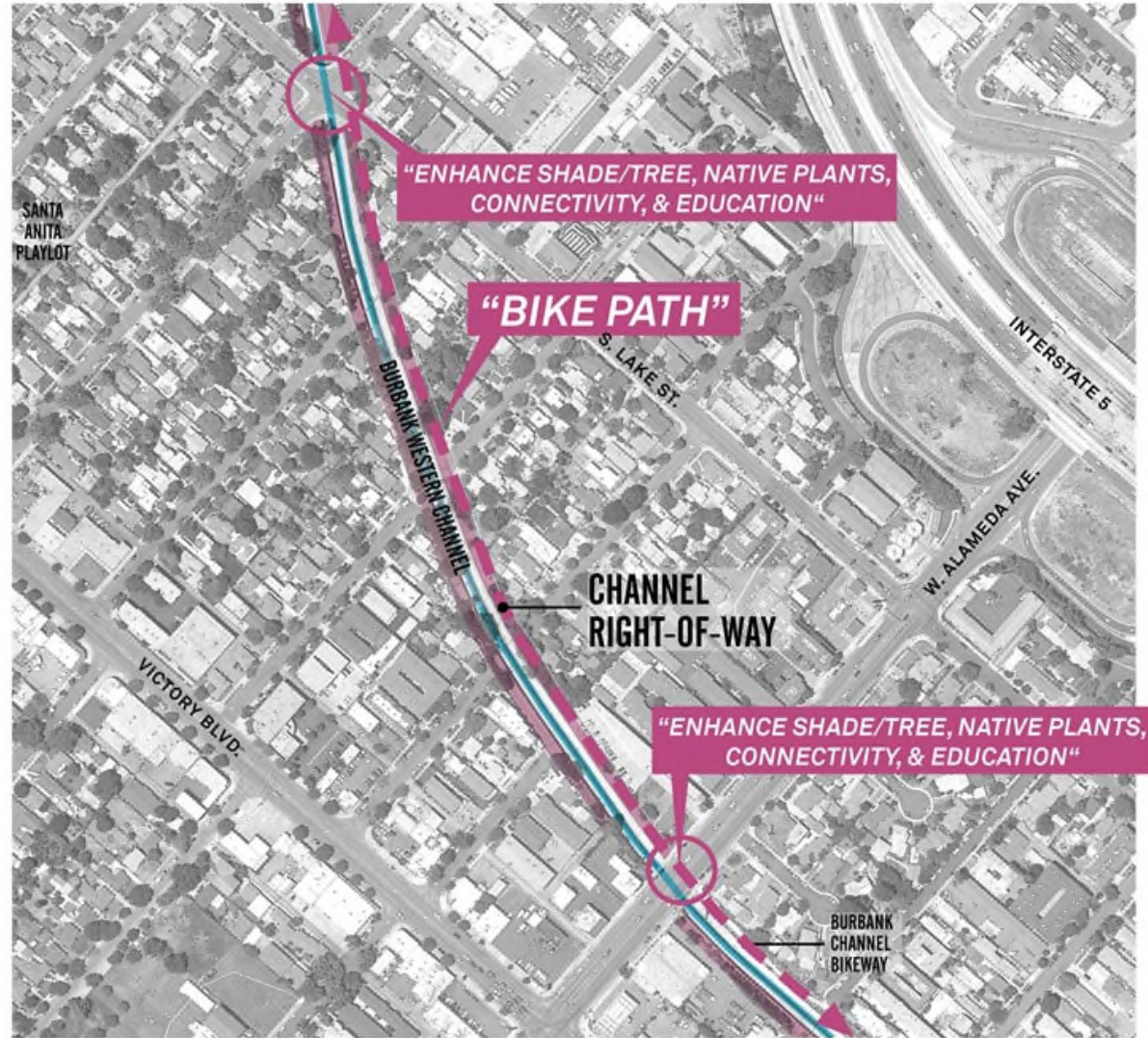
- + Approximately 20' Wide, Both Sides of Channel
- + Runs Along Majority of Tributary

CURRENT USE

- + Maintenance path for flood control channel

MENTIONED DURING

- + Water and Environment December Committee Meeting
- + People and Recreation December Committee Meeting



CHANNEL RIGHT-OF-WAY // BURBANK

ECOLOGICAL // COMMUNITY // SITE

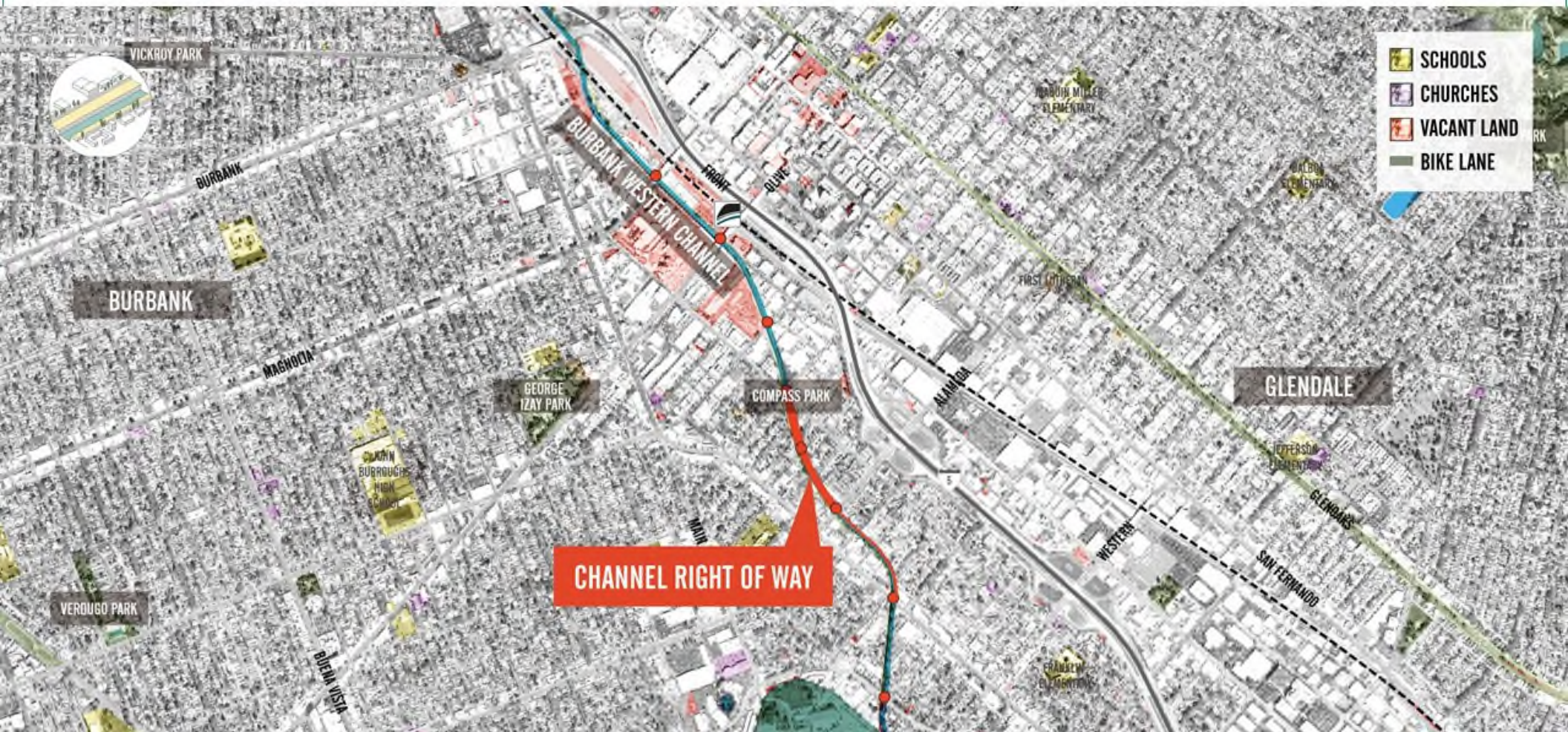
*Link Verdugo and Griffith?
Recreational and ecological benefits?*



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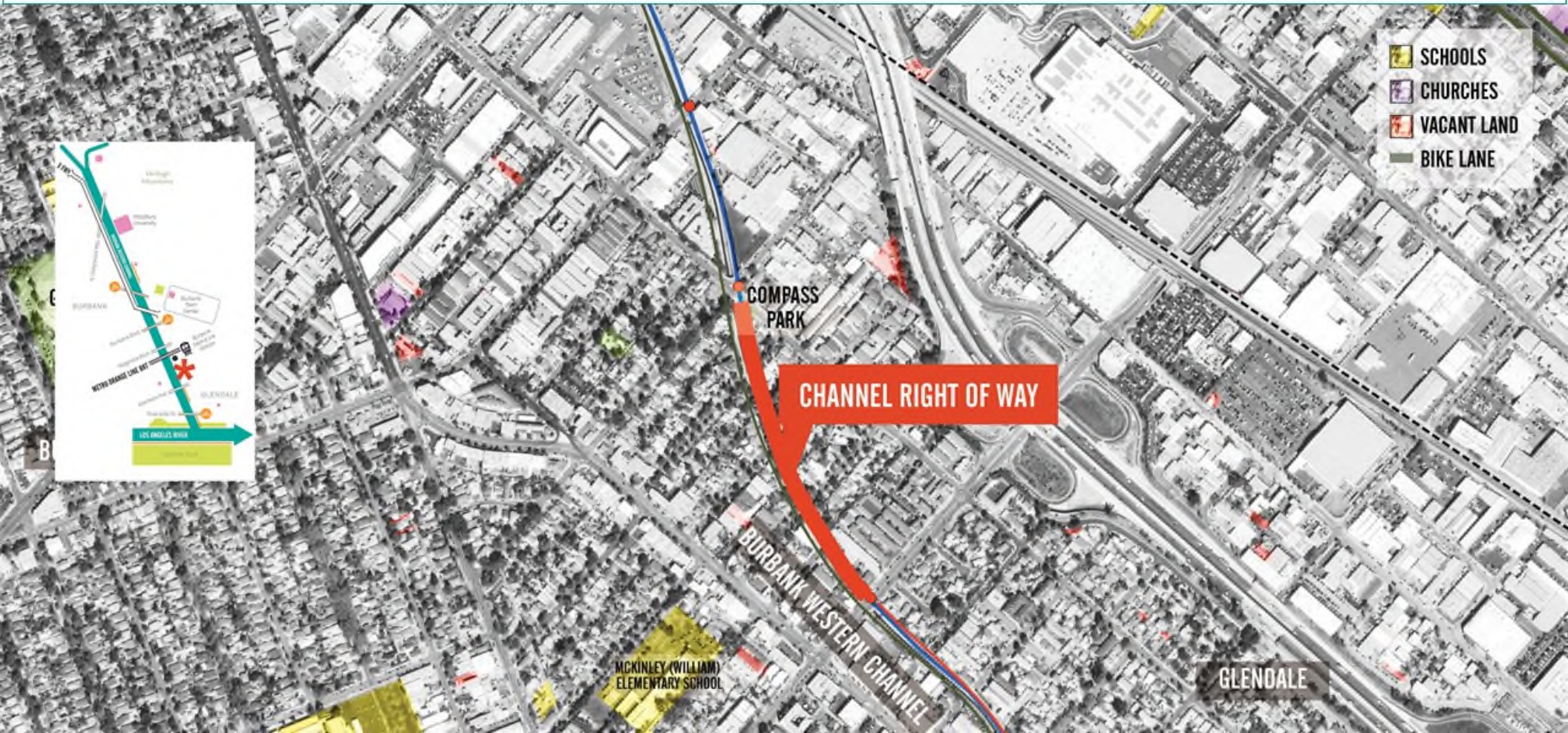
Key places to connect to?
Nature or urban path?
Public art?



CHANNEL RIGHT-OF-WAY // BURBANK

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Local access points?
Connection to Compass Park?





EXISTING PARK

ARROYO SECO



CURRENT USE

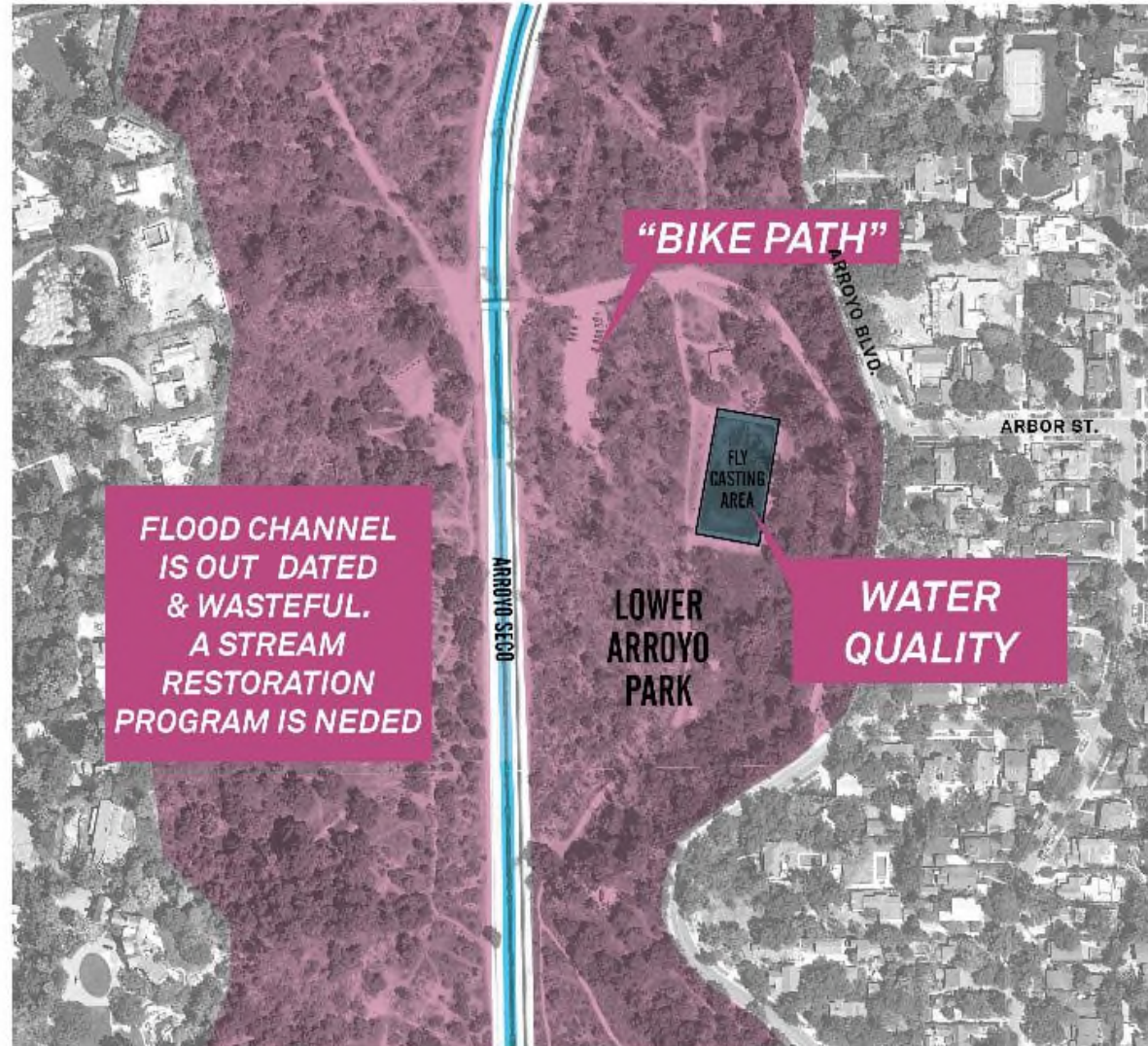
- + Public Open Space & Recreation Facilities

ADJACENCIES

- + Single Family Residential

MENTIONED DURING

- + Water and Environment December Committee Meeting
- + Working Group January Meeting



EXISTING PARK // ARROYO SECO

ECOLOGICAL // COMMUNITY // SITE

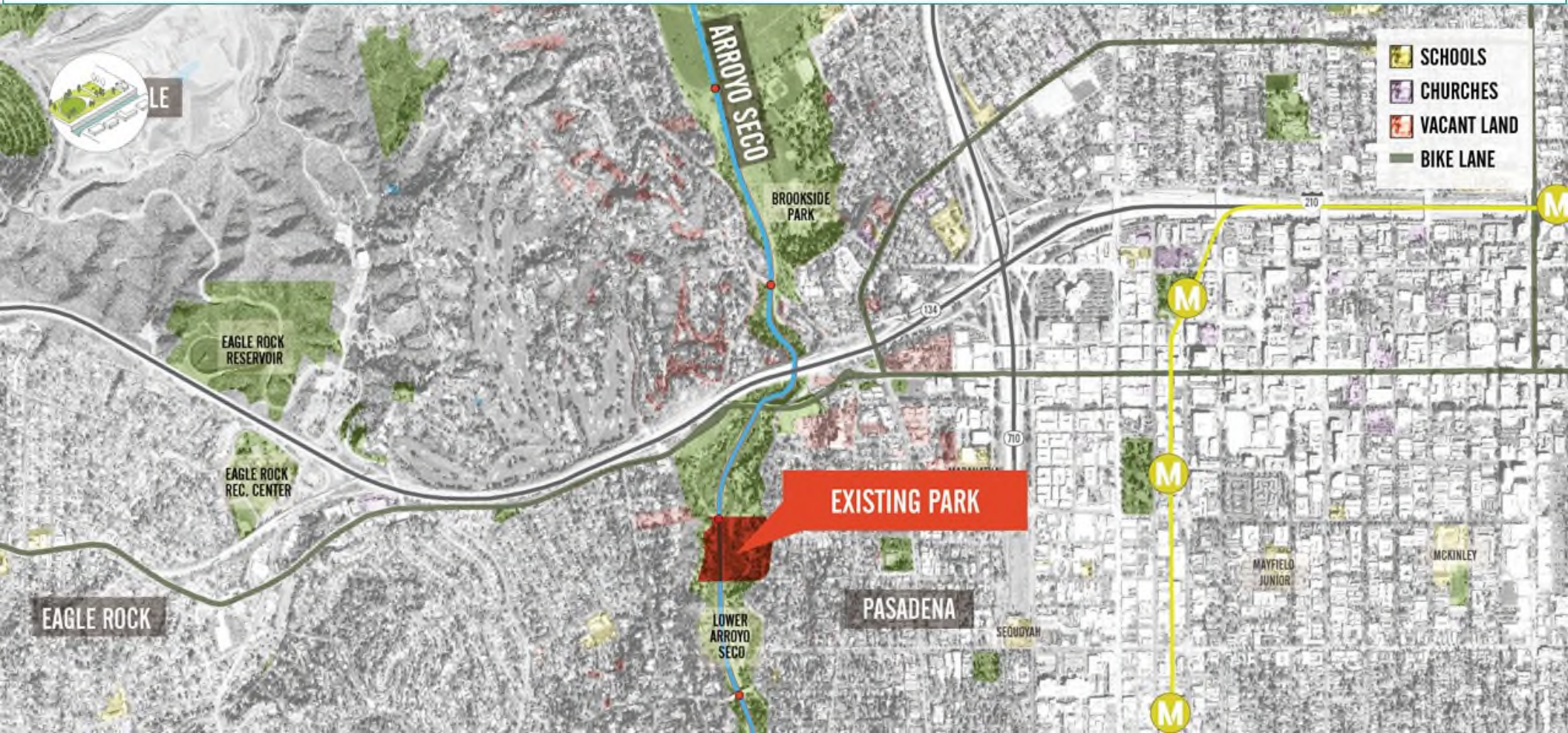
*Preserve & restore waterways' ecology?
Integrate watershed best management practices?
Maintain and Improve Flood Protection?*



EXISTING PARK // ARROYO SECO

ECOLOGICAL // **COMMUNITY** // SITE

*Extend Arroyo Seco into community?
Link to Gold Line?
BMPS, gardens, educational zones in the park?*



EXISTING PARK // ARROYO SECO

ECOLOGICAL // COMMUNITY // **SITE**

*Access to Arroyo Seco?
Improve environmental awareness?
Diversify recreation at park?*





SCHOOL

PACOIMA WASH



SIZE 34 acres

CURRENT USE
+ High School

MENTIONED DURING

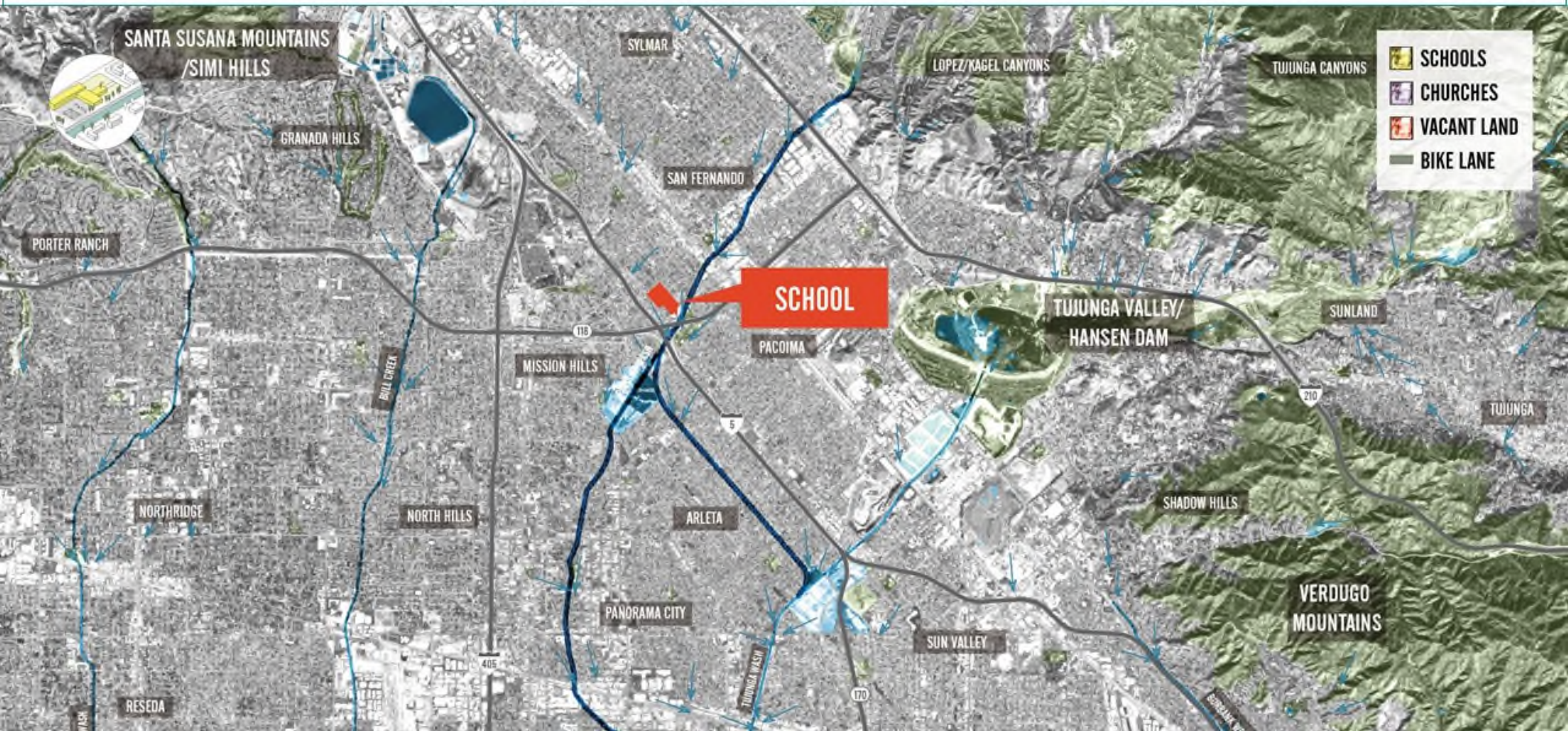
- + People and Recreation December Committee Meeting
- + Water and Environment December Committee Meeting
- + Water and Environment Public Comment December Committee Meeting
- + Working Group January Meeting



SCHOOL // PACOIMA WASH

ECOLOGICAL // COMMUNITY // SITE

*Environmental education system network?
Water quality retrofits?
Outdoor classrooms as water monitoring stations?*



SCHOOL // PACOIMA WASH

ECOLOGICAL // **COMMUNITY** // SITE

*Green streets extension?
Ecological curriculum?
Community stewards?*

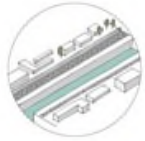


SCHOOL // PACOIMA WASH

ECOLOGICAL // COMMUNITY // **SITE**

*Connection between schools and parks?
Joint-use?
Ecology curriculum?*





BRIDGE

TUJUNGA WASH



CURRENT USE
+ Vehicular Bridge

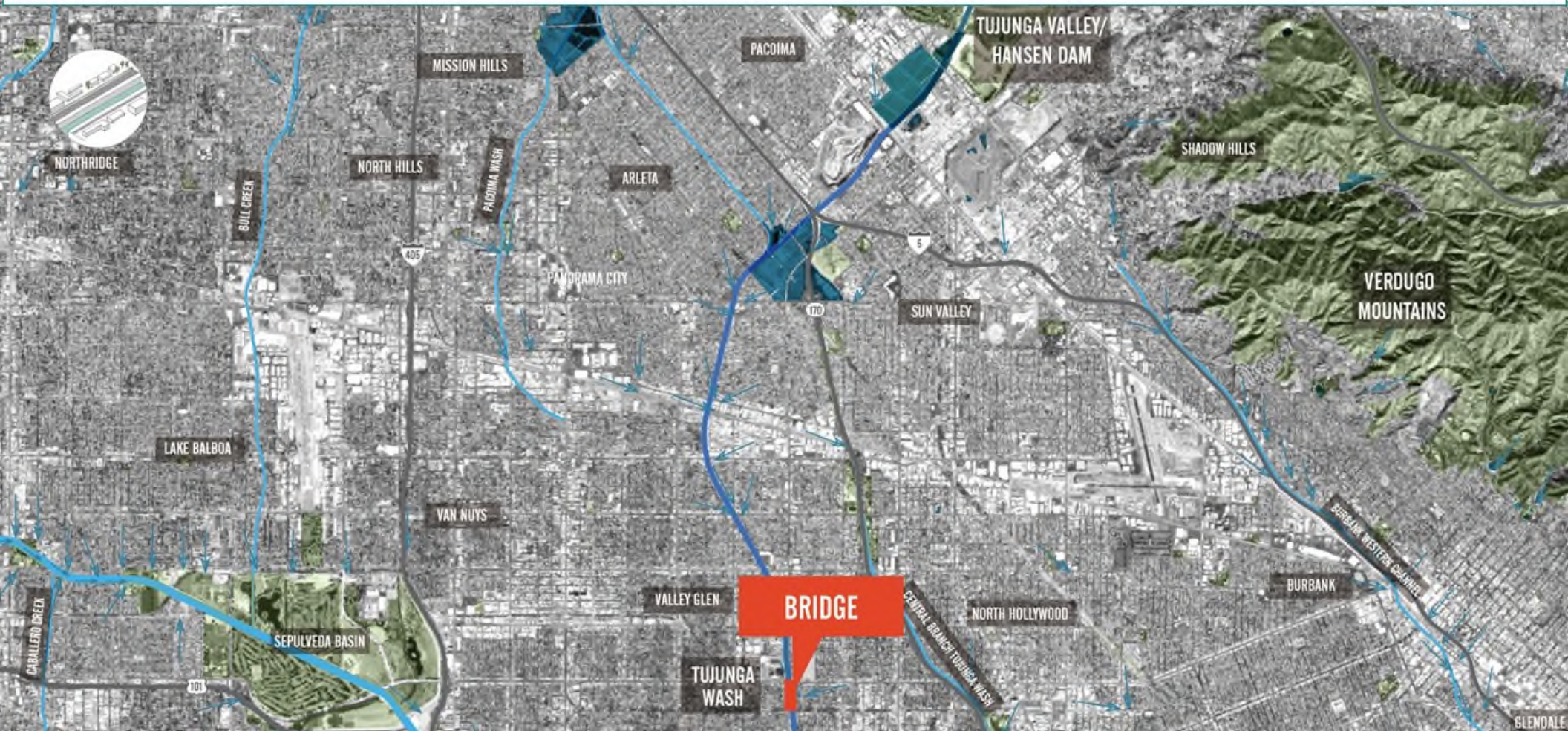
MENTIONED DURING
+ Water and Environment Public
December Committee Meeting
+ Working Group January Meeting



BRIDGE // TUJUNGA WASH

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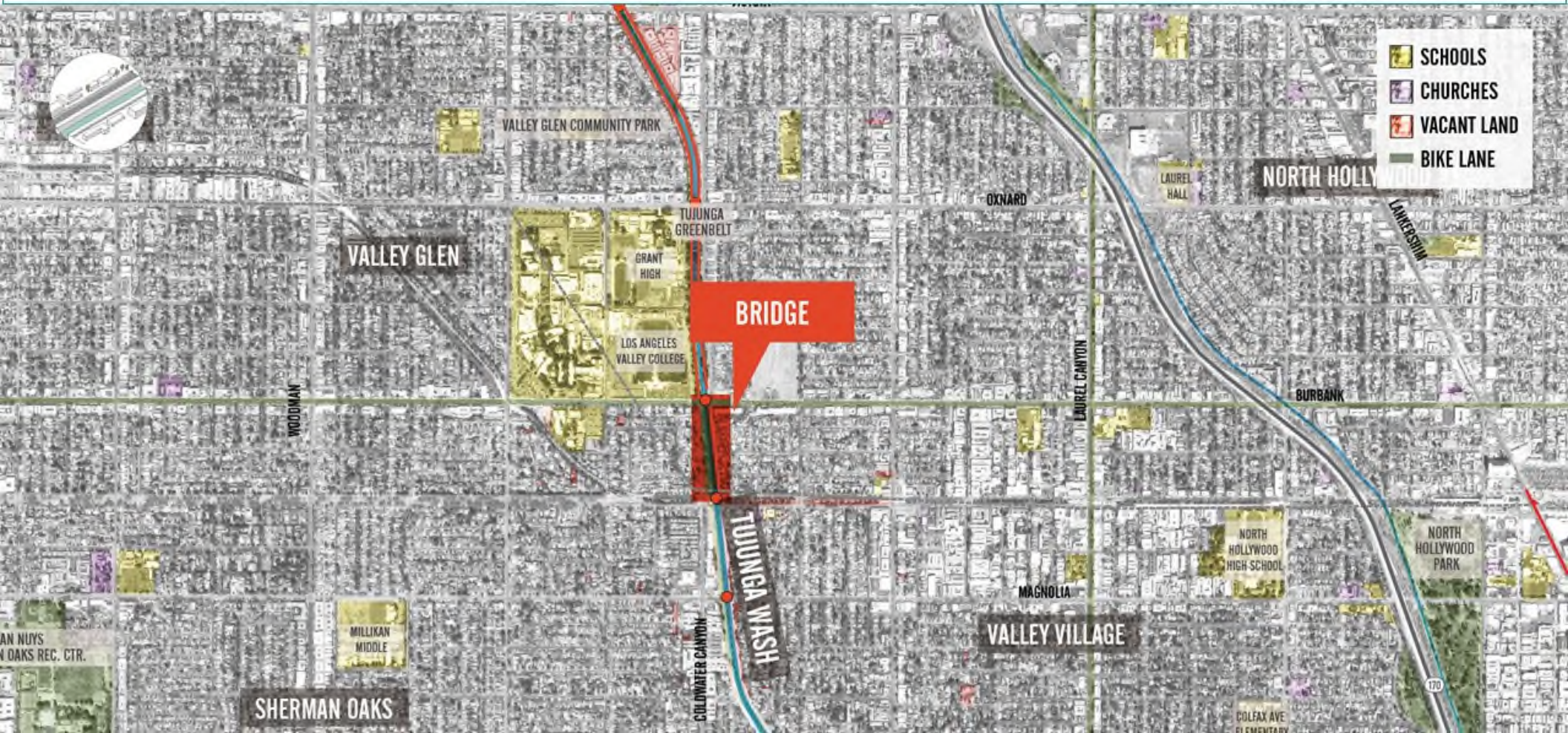
*Access to the wash? other trails?
Connected trail system?*



BRIDGE // TUJUNGA WASH

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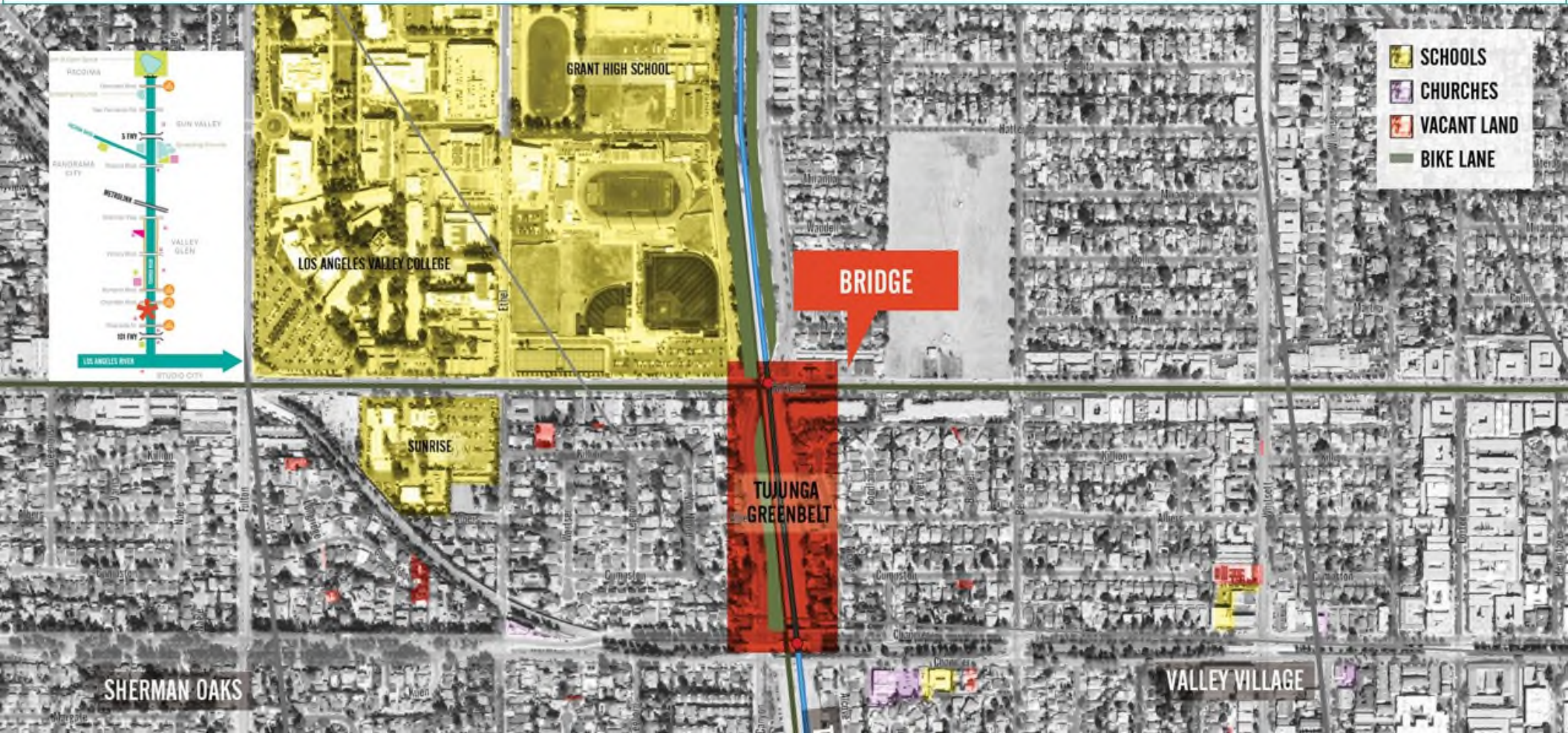
Preserve & restore waterways' ecology?
Integrate watershed best management practices?



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*Bridges with small parks, plazas, etc?
Retrofit existing bridges?
Bridge design that celebrates Tujunga Wash?*





ECOLOGICAL CONNECTION

VERDUGO WASH



MENTIONED DURING

- + People and Recreation Public December Committee Meeting
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- + Water and Environment Public December Committee Meeting
- + Working Group January Meeting



ECOLOGICAL CONNECTION // VERDUGO

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Connect Altadena Foothills, Verdugo Mountains, and Griffith Park?

Recreational and ecological connection?



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*Connect to area's schools?
Buffer Verdugo from the I-210?*



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*Extend Verdugo Wash to the Verdugo Mountains?
Improve access?
Reinforce east-west connections?*





STORMWATER BASIN

ALISO CANYON WASH

SIZE. 12.9 acres

CURRENT USE

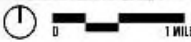
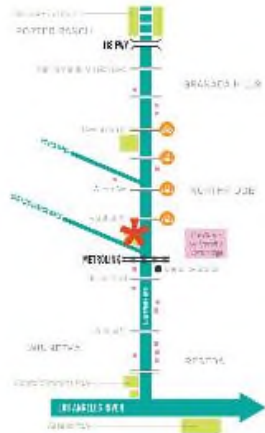
- + Detention basin for flood management

UNIQUE ATTRIBUTES

- + Just north of the confluence of Limekiln and Aliso Canyon Wash
- + Surrounding neighborhood scores 78% on CES 3.0
- + LA County is already planning work in the area

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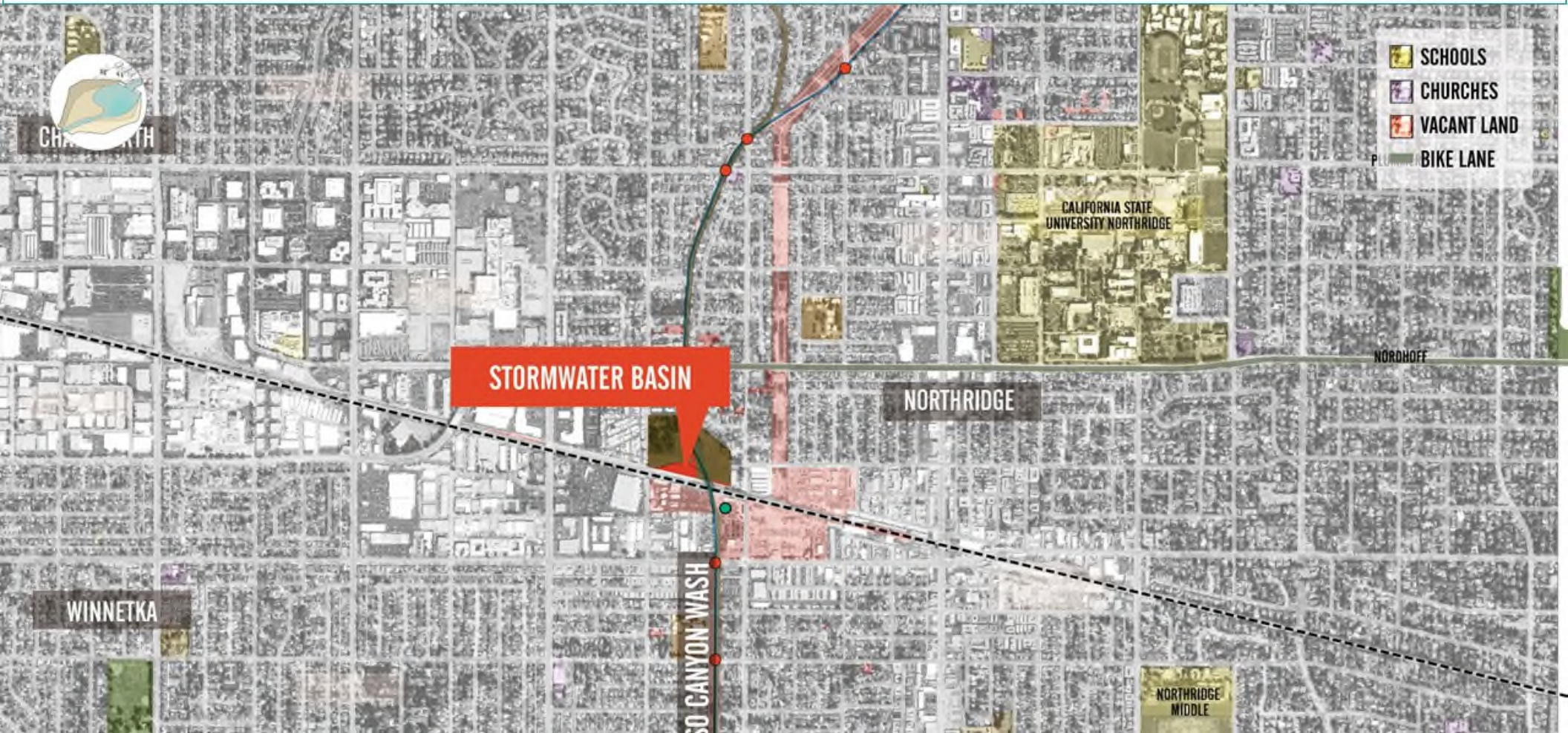
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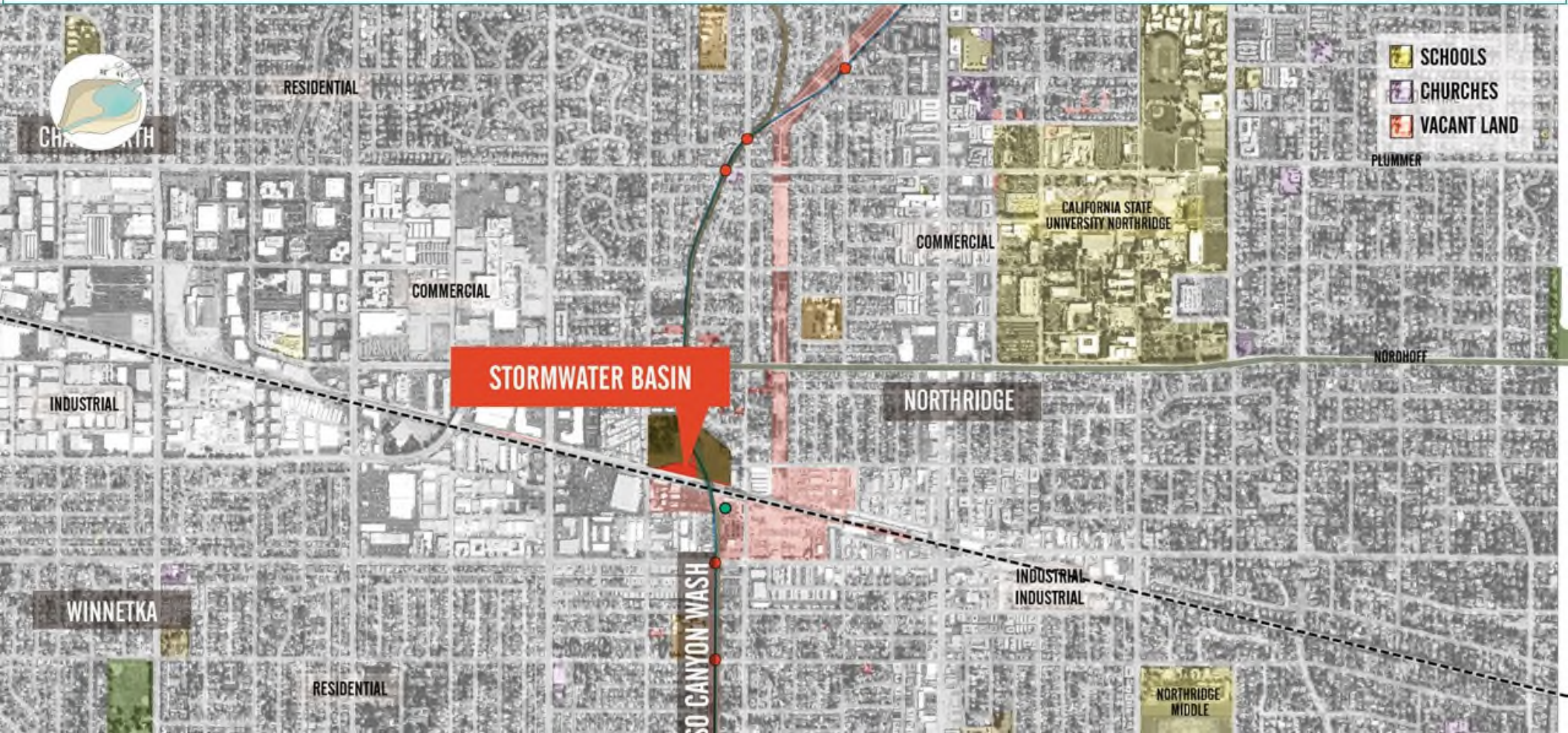
*Improve Riparian habitat?
Maintain and improve flood protection?
Enhance the waterway's natural quality*



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*Connection to schools? MetroLink?
Integrate community amenities?*



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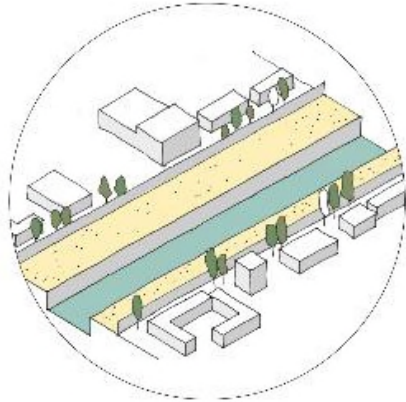
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Maintain and improve flood protection?

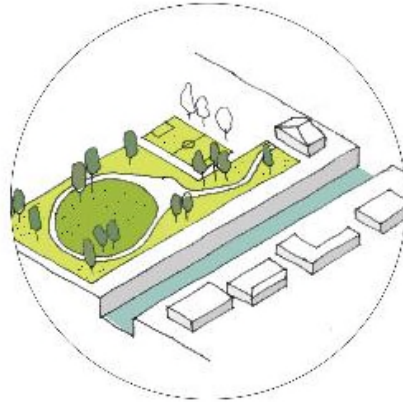
Establish identity of the waterway?

Visual and physical access to the waterway?

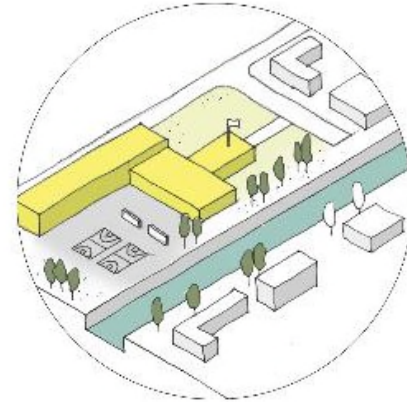




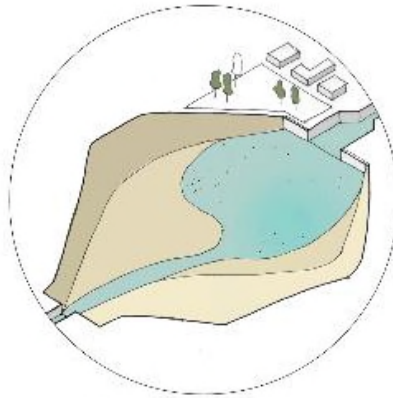
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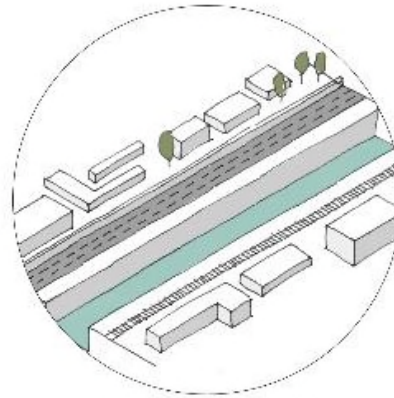
Existing Park



School



Stormwater Basin

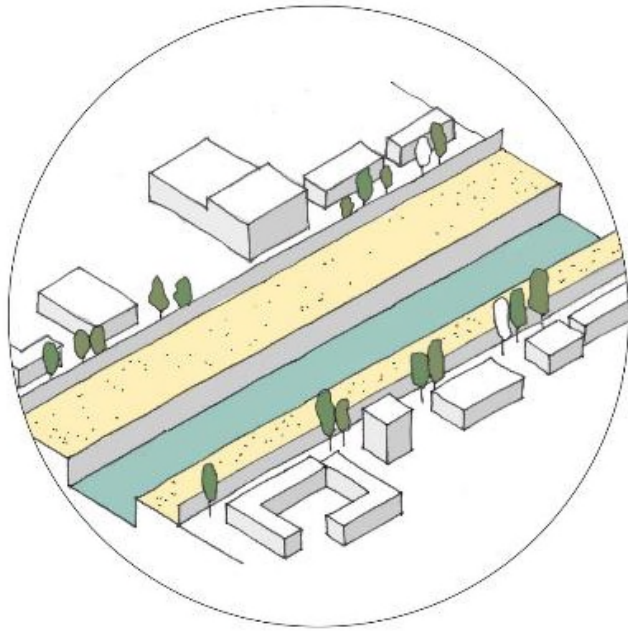


Bridge /Urban
Barrier

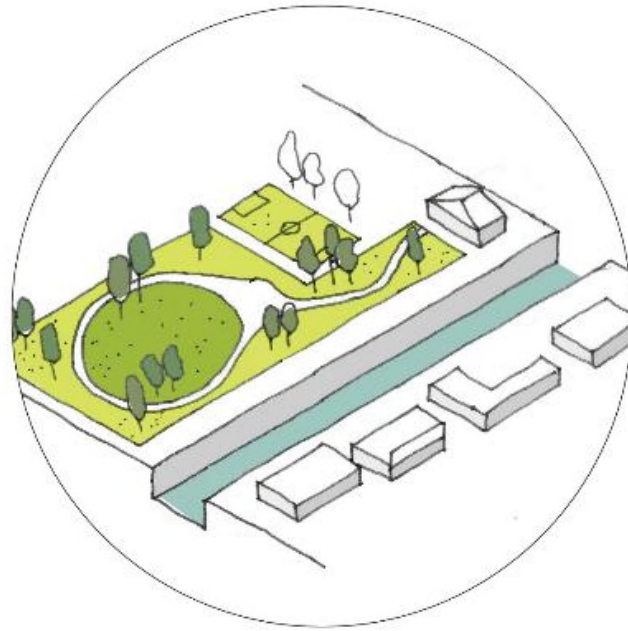


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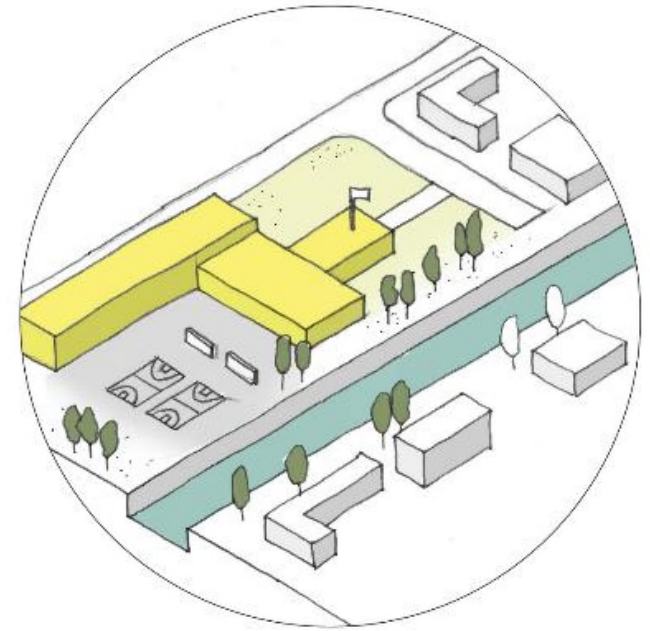
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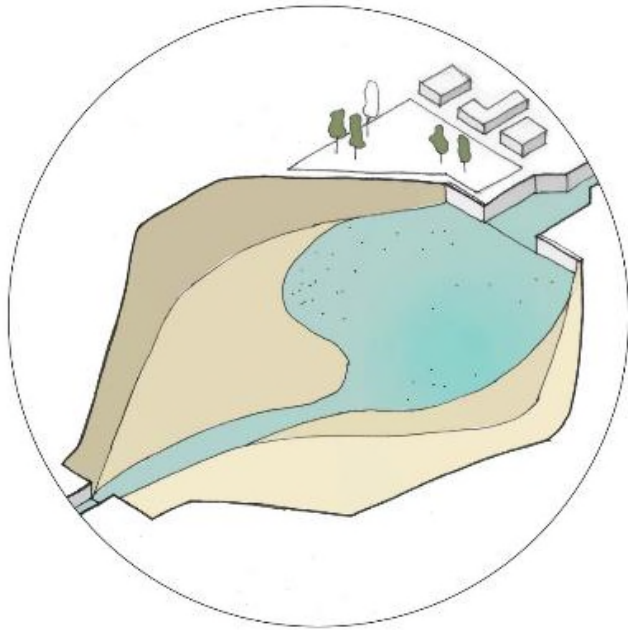


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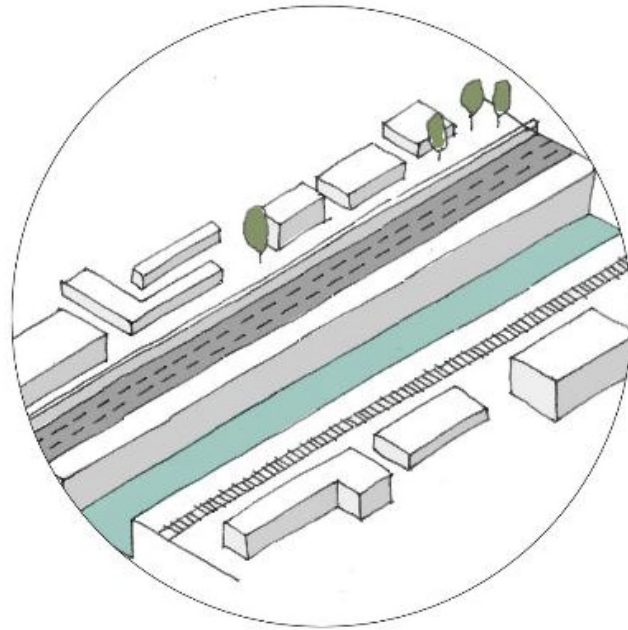


School

OPPORTUNITY SITES LAND TYPOLOGIES



Stormwater Basin



Bridge /Urban Barrier



Ecological Connection

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Plan Development Timeline

2018

2019



**Inventory
and
Analysis**

**Initial
Opportunity
Sites**

**Constraints
Analysis**

**Draft
Framework**

**Concept
Development**

**Revitalization
Plan**

Community Engagement Plan

Community Outreach

Plan Development Timeline

2018

2019

Phase 1: Community Information Meetings

1. Wednesday, March 13th from 6:00PM to 8:00PM
Discovery Cube
11800 Foothill Blvd
Sylmar, CA 91342
2. Wednesday, March 20th from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM
Los Angeles Zoo
Witherbee Foundation Auditorium
5333 Zoo Dr, Los Angeles, CA 90027
3. Thursday , April 4th from 6:00 PM to 8:00PM
Kidspace Children's Museum
480 N Arroyo Blvd, Pasadena, CA 91103
4. TBD, late March early April



Committee Member Comments





Item 10. Announcement of future meetings and adjournment



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