



## Taylor Yard G2 Parcel

### Status Report – 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter FY 23/24



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## 1.0 RECENT PROJECT DEVELOPMENTS & ACTIVITIES

### 1.1 Project Status

- The Paseo del Río Project and Water Quality Improvements Project are 93% through their Pre-Design Phase and are expected to move into formal Design in December 2023.
- The Taylor Yard G2 River Park Project has not yet begun its Pre-Design Phase.
- On July 13, 2023, the City of Los Angeles, MRCA, and California Department of Parks and Recreation (State Parks) executed a Memorandum of Understanding to formalize the 100 Acre Partnership at Taylor Yard.

### 1.2 On-Site Activities

- In July and August 2023, the G2 parcel was used as a laydown area for in-River work to restore its hydraulic condition prior to the construction of the Taylor Yard Bikeway and Pedestrian Bridge, completed in 2022.
- Regular maintenance is performed by General Services Division Construction Forces on a weekly basis.

### 1.3 Community Engagement

- An in-person community workshop of the Paseo del Río Project was held on August 5, 2023, and was followed by a virtual meeting on August 23, 2023. The events displayed the final conceptual design for the project and distributed the third questionnaire.
- The third questionnaire closed to the public on September 8, 2023, and received 1,150 responses.

### 1.4 Funding Updates

- The Bureau of Engineering submitted an application for the US DOT Reconnecting Communities grant on September 28, 2023.



## **2.0 SCHEDULE**

### **2.1 Master Project Schedule**

- This Preliminary Schedule indicates the current phase for each of the projects that are planned for the Taylor Yard G2 Parcel. The red vertical bar is the current date as of this report.





### 3.0 BUDGET

#### 3.1 Project Funding Sources and Expenditures

- The following table outlines the secured funding for the improvements at the Taylor Yard G2 Parcel and total expenditures to date:

	Secured Funding	Expenditures to Date	Expenditures This Quarter	Unexpended to Date
Taylor Yard G2 Paseo del Rio - Design, Environmental Documentation, Remediation, and Construction	\$ 27,057,806.77	\$ 1,436,545.91	\$ 114,988.80	\$ 25,621,260.86
Allocated City Budget from Previous Fiscal Years	\$ 11,246,174.77	\$ 1,436,545.91	\$ 114,988.80	\$ 11,246,174.77
Allocated City Budget from Current Fiscal Year	\$ 6,181,632.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,181,632.00
Grants and Other Sources	\$ 9,630,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,630,000.00
Proposition O Water Quality Improvements - Design, Environmental Documentation, Remediation, and Construction	\$ 21,156,493.85	\$ 503,064.65	\$ 135,202.63	\$ 20,653,429.20
Allocated City Budget from Previous Fiscal Years	\$ 21,156,493.85	\$ 503,064.65	\$ 135,202.63	\$ 21,156,493.85
Utilities for Park Build-Out	\$ 1,275,326.01	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,275,326.01
Allocated City Budget from Previous Fiscal Years	\$ 1,184,629.01	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,184,629.01
Allocated City Budget from Current Fiscal Year	\$ 90,697.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 90,697.00
Implementation Feasibility Report, Site Assessments, and Ongoing On-Site Maintenance	\$ 5,147,466.76	\$ 3,826,039.05	\$ -	\$ 1,321,427.71
Allocated City Budget from Previous Fiscal Years	\$ 1,672,962.76	\$ 1,672,962.76	\$ -	\$ -
Allocated City Budget from Current Fiscal Year	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00
Grants and Other Sources	\$ 3,374,504.00	\$ 2,153,076.29	\$ -	\$ 1,221,427.71
Taylor Yard River Park Build-Out	\$ 1,245,607.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,245,607.00
Allocated City Budget from Previous Fiscal Years	\$ 1,245,607.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,245,607.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 55,882,700.39</b>	<b>\$ 5,765,649.61</b>	<b>\$ 250,191.43</b>	<b>\$ 50,117,050.78</b>



### 3.2 Project Cost Estimates and Funding Needs

- The following table outlines the cost estimates for the improvements at the Taylor Yard G2 Parcel, current funding, and the current funding gap:

	Estimated Cost	Secured Funding	Funding Gap
Taylor Yard G2 Paseo del Rio - Design, Environmental Documentation, Remediation, and Construction	\$ 30,631,045.79	\$ 27,057,806.77	\$ 3,573,806.77
Allocated City Budget from Previous Fiscal Years		\$ 11,246,174.77	
Allocated City Budget from Current Fiscal Year		\$ 6,181,632.00	
Grants and Other Sources		\$ 9,630,000.00	
Proposition O Water Quality Improvements - Design, Environmental Documentation, Remediation, and Construction	\$ 22,927,484.21	\$ 21,156,493.85	\$ 1,770,990.36
Allocated City Budget from Previous Fiscal Years		\$ 21,156,493.85	
Utilities for Park Build-Out	\$ 8,360,381.00	\$ 1,275,326.01	\$ 7,085,054.99
Allocated City Budget from Previous Fiscal Years		\$ 1,184,629.01	
Allocated City Budget from Current Fiscal Year		\$ 90,697.00	
Implementation Feasibility Report, Site Assessments, and Ongoing On-Site Maintenance	\$ 5,147,466.76	\$ 5,147,466.76	\$ -
Allocated City Budget from Previous Fiscal Years		\$ 1,672,962.76	
Allocated City Budget from Current Fiscal Year		\$ 100,000.00	
Grants and Other Sources		\$ 3,374,504.00	
Taylor Yard River Park Build-Out	\$568,381,586.00	\$ 1,245,607.00	\$567,135,979.00
Allocated City Budget from Previous Fiscal Years		\$ 1,245,607.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$635,447,963.76</b>	<b>\$ 55,882,700.39</b>	<b>\$576,565,263.37</b>

### 3.3 Potential Future Sources of Funds

- The project team is currently tracking or applying to the follow grants:
  - Equitable Community Revitalization / DTSC Cleanup Grant
  - EPA Cleanup Grant
  - Urban Greening Program
  - California DOT Active Transportation
  - SMMC grant
  - USDOT Reconnecting Communities
    - The Bureau of Engineering submitted an application on September 28<sup>th</sup>
  - City’s Innovation and Performance Commission
    - Possible application for the Taylor Yard Equity Strategy
  - Climate Pollution Reduction grant
    - Recommended to the Bureau of Engineering by the Governor’s Office



## 4.0 PROJECT BACKGROUND & GLOSSARY

### 4.1 Project Background

- The Taylor Yard G2 River Park Project is Project No. 165 of the City Council adopted Los Angeles River Revitalization Master Plan (C.F. 07-1342) and is described in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Los Angeles River Ecosystem Restoration (LARER) Integrated Feasibility Report. The report is also known as the ARBOR or “Area with Restoration Benefits and Opportunities for Revitalization” Study. As a key opportunity area, the G2 parcel is identified as a cornerstone site of the LARER Project. The G2 parcel is situated in Reach 6 of the LARER Project and is adjacent to the soft-bottomed portion of the Los Angeles River known as the Glendale Narrows.
- The development of the G2 parcel is intended to be implemented through a series of projects, as described below, subject to approval by the City Council and the Mayor:

Taylor Yard G2 Project Scope & Major Elements	
<b>Paseo del Río Project</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3-5-year timeline</li> <li>• Targeted remediation, public events, River activation</li> <li>• Coordinated project at the adjacent State-owned Taylor Yard G1 (or “Bowtie”) Parcel</li> </ul>
<b>Water Quality Improvements Project</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3-5-year timeline</li> <li>• Additional remediation, stormwater quality improvements, youth activities, and training opportunities</li> </ul>
<b>Taylor Yard G2 River Park Project</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10-year timeline</li> <li>• Full remediation, habitat, recreation</li> </ul>

- The Paseo del Río Project will develop approximately 8 acres of the G2 Parcel. The project will include walking paths, habitat restoration, soil remediation, educational signage, an entry plaza with parking and restrooms, and a kayak landing. This project was combined with the Water Quality Improvements Project due to their close physical proximity on site and similar schedules. NTP was issued to a consultant team in April 2022 for pre-design, design, environmental documentation and review, and design during construction services for both projects.
- The Water Quality Improvements Project is funded by Proposition O, includes close coordination with the City of LA Sanitation and Environment (LASAN), and will develop approximately 4 acres of the G2 Parcel. The project will include a water quality improvement feature, habitat restoration, soil remediation, and educational signage. This project was combined with the Paseo del Río Project due to their close physical proximity on site and similar schedules. NTP was issued to a consultant team in April 2022 for pre-design, design, environmental documentation and review, and design during construction services for both projects.





- The Taylor Yard G2 River Park Project will develop the remainder of the 42-acre G2 parcel. This project will transform the former Union Pacific Railroad Company (UPRR) rail yard into a vast habitat-focused open space along the Los Angeles River.

## 4.2 Glossary

100 Acre Partnership at Taylor Yard	A partnership formed between the City, MRCA, and State Parks
BOE	Bureau of Engineering at the City of Los Angeles
CDFW	California Department of Fish and Wildlife
City	The City of Los Angeles
DTSC	California Department of Toxic Substances Control
EPA	US Environmental Protection Agency
LACFCD	Los Angeles County Flood Control District
LADWP	Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
LARER	Los Angeles River Ecosystem Restoration
LASAN	Los Angeles Sanitation and Environment
MRCA	The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority
SCAQMD	South Coast Air Quality Management District
SCC	California State Coastal Conservancy
SMMC	Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy
State Parks	The California Department of Parks and Recreation
UPRR	Union Pacific Railroad Company
USACE	United States Army Corps of Engineers
USDOT	United States Department of Transportation
WCB	California Wildlife Conservation Board