



# **Ballona Creek Revitalization Project**

Project Update  
November 18, 2019

# Context

The revitalization of Ballona Creek is one of the five priorities in the Culver City Council 2018-2023 Strategic Plan.



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In 2017, the City applied and was awarded a grant for two CivicSpark Fellows, a Governor's Initiative AmeriCorps program dedicated to building capacity for local governments to address emerging environmental and social equity resilience challenges.

Since 2017, the City has had three rounds of Fellows working on the Ballona Creek Revitalization Project.



# Work to Date



- Research of existing plans and feasible creek interventions
- Development of Ballona Creek Property/Jurisdiction Atlas
- Community and agency outreach
- Task Force meeting preparation and execution (two meetings)
- Action Plan Vision Statement and Strategy
- Creation of comprehensive report that highlights previous strategies, plans and opportunities for future
- Coastal Cleanup Day 2019



# Task Force Meeting #1

May 2, 2018

- Participation from over 30 agencies
- Workshop focused on potential improvements and broad goals
- Outcomes included ideas on improvements related to water diversion and treatment, naturalization, connectivity, etc.



# Task Force Meeting #2

January 16, 2018



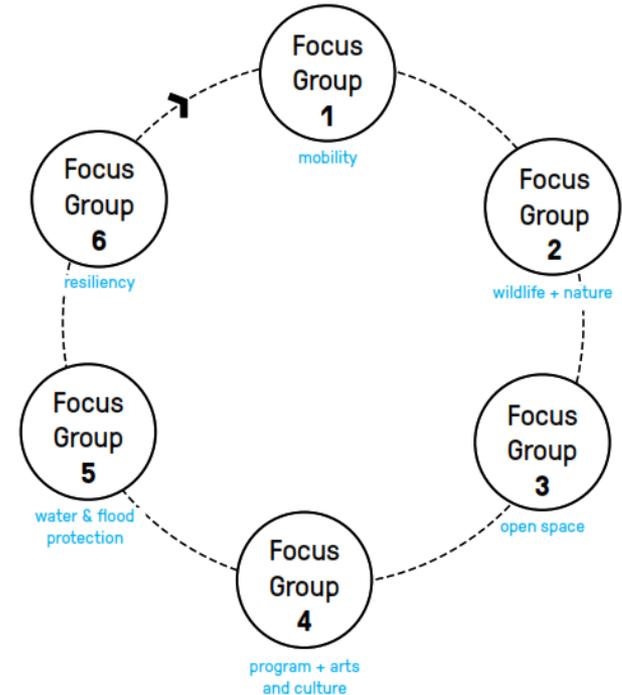
- Workshop identified specific creek typologies with a focus on wildlife and nature, open space, arts and culture, resiliency, water/flood projection and mobility
- Engaged stakeholders in preliminary visioning/action plan statement process





# Table Report Outs

- Mobility
- Wildlife and nature
- Open space
- Program + arts and culture
- Flood and water protection
- Resiliency



# Coastal Cleanup Day

September 21, 2019



- Five Culver City cleanup sites along Ballona Creek
- Seven sponsors
- Total of 369 volunteers
- 0.56 tons (1,120 lbs.) of waste collected



# Next Steps



- Ballona Creek Revitalization Action Plan and Implementation Strategy RFP
- Environmental Impact Bond
- Creek-adjacent business outreach

