COMMUNITY WORKSHOP 05 SUMMARY
This final Community Workshop 05 was planned as a celebration of the final Master Plan design. The project team was unable to hold a final Community Workshop event due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In place of a large public meeting, the team developed two videos to celebrate and present the final Master Plan virtually. The videos describe the Master Plan process, showcase many of the key participants, and provide an overview of the design created in partnership with the community of Silver Lake.

**OVERVIEW**

The team posted two videos on August 21, 2020. The first video titled “THE PROCESS” is an approximately ten minute compilation of interviews with key participants in the development of the Master Plan including members of the SWG, educators and students, City of Los Angeles leaders, and project team. This video frames the Master Plan project goals and history. The second video titled “THE PLAN” is a narrated overview of the final Master Plan design. The video features “before” photos of the existing Complex paired with “after” artistic renderings of the proposed design. It also highlights key features of the design such as habitat creation. The videos were accompanied by downloadable PDF files that describe the Master Plan design and project sustainability in more detail.

An online questionnaire also accompanied the videos which asked the community to help the project team prioritize short- and long-term features and elements of the Master Plan for implementation.
FINAL QUESTIONNAIRE

During this Master Plan process, we received many questions about how the design might be implemented. As a first step, the Master Plan design has been broken into smaller projects or phases which could be implemented concurrently or separately as discrete projects. Now we’d like to hear what you would like to see happen first!

QUESTION 1: PRIORITY AREAS

The Master Plan will be implemented as funding and community support allow. A lot will need to happen before construction starts including detailed design, environmental clearance, and permitting which typically takes 2 to 3 years. We estimate each area will take an additional 1.5 to 2 years to construct. Multiple areas could be constructed simultaneously depending on funding.

To assist us in prioritizing projects for implementation, which of the following overall areas of the Master Plan would you like to see implemented first? Choose your top three priority areas.

- **THE MEADOW** (includes sloped lawns, flat lawn, seating terraces, wetland habitat terraces, kayak launch, picnic grove, walking paths, ornamental gardens, informal play, promenade, street edge education center (including restrooms), and knoll regrading)
- **THE KNOLL** (includes walking paths, slope regrading, uplifted habitat planting and shade pavilion)
- **THE IVANHOE SPILLWAY AND PROMENADE** (includes promenade and embankment enhancements)
- **THE IVANHOE OVERLOOK** (includes wetland habitat terraces & islands, lookout, shade pavilion, slope walk to water, and promenade)
- **THE EUCALYPTUS GROVE** (includes wetland habitat and seating terraces, promenade walk and overlook, and restored uplifted habitat)
- **THE HABITAT ISLANDS** (includes wetland habitat islands and introducing fish)
- **THE EAST AND WEST NARROWS** (includes embankment enhancements, seating terraces, adult fitness, and promenade walk and overlook)
- **THE REC AND PARK IMPROVEMENTS** (includes relocated picnic area and new tree, upgraded rec center, new multi-purpose room, outdoor plaza and seating, basketball court, soccer field and expanded/honored dog park)
- **NONE OF THE ABOVE** (I don’t want anything changed)

QUESTION 2: SMALL PROJECTS

As the City of LA works to take the next steps towards implementing the Master Plan, smaller projects may be possible to implement in the near term as funding sources are identified. Some smaller projects could be used to test larger ideas in the Master Plan Vision. Some of these small projects are contingent on having an on-site operator and/or environmental clearance. To help us prioritize small projects, please choose your top three, including the "other" answer choice.

- **OPEN THE MEADOW (as a meadow)**
- **CREATE IVANHOE OVERLOOK**
- **EXPAND IVANHOE SPILLWAY**
- **CREATE NEXT TO TOP OF THE KNOLL**
- **CREATE NEXT TO THE HABITAT ISLANDS**
- **CREATE NEXT TO THE IVANHOE OVERLOOK**
- **OH OTHER IDEAS**

QUESTION 3: How often do you visit the SLRC now?

- Once a day
- Once a week
- More than once a week
- Once a month
- Once a year
- Other: ________

QUESTION 3: If the Master Plan is implemented, how often will you visit the SLRC?

- Once a day
- Once a week
- More than once a week
- Once a month
- Once a year
- Other: ________

Zip-code where you live: __________
Your age (choose one): 0 Under 18 1 19-25 2 26-35 3 36-45 4 46-55 5 56-65 6 66+

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION THROUGHOUT THIS PROCESS!

Please return your questionnaire response to Master Plan project team member, Marc Salette at:
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Los Angeles, CA 90039

TO BE ON OUR PROJECT MAILING LIST & KEEP UP-TO-DATE ON THIS PROJECT, SIGN UP BELOW:
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Community Workshop 05 Questionnaire
COMMUNITY WORKSHOP 05 FEEDBACK

Questionnaire
The questionnaire that accompanied this workshop shown in Figure 4-36 was open for two weeks online and closed on September 4, 2020. The project team received 922 questionnaire responses in total (4 were submitted as paper copies).

During the Master Plan process, the project team received many questions about how the design might be implemented. As noted in Chapter 01, the Master Plan design was broken into smaller projects or phases which can be implemented concurrently or separately as discrete projects. The questionnaire was developed to assist in prioritizing projects for funding and implementation by asking respondents to choose their top three priority areas for implementation. The questionnaire also assessed community preferences for smaller, initial projects that could be implemented in the near term as funding sources are identified and while the City works towards the next steps of implementing the full Master Plan. These smaller projects can be standalone projects or used to test larger ideas of the Master Plan vision. Respondents were asked to choose their top three preference and were also provided the opportunity to write in other suggestions for near-term smaller projects.

The highest priority Master Plan project identified in the first question was the Meadow with 48.7% selecting it as their top space for implementation as shown in Figure 4-37. The Eucalyptus Grove was also a top priority (42.8%). The third choice was close between the Knoll (34.2%) and improvements proposed at the Silver Lake Recreation Center (32.6%), followed by the Wetland Habitat Islands (28.0%) and Ivanhoe Overlook (24.2%). Participants were also given the opportunity to indicate if they did not want any of the Master Plan spaces implemented and for nothing to change which was selected by only 15.4% respondents.

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Community Workshop 05 Questionnaire Priority Areas
Top responses to the second question to prioritize smaller, initial projects showed a clear preference to undertake near-term initiatives that allow more access to the SLRC from “Opening the fence on a regular basis” (60.7%), “Creating an Ivanhoe Reservoir walking loop” (42.9%) and “Creating the walking path to the top of the Knoll” (42.5%). Also popular are habitat-focused initiatives such as implementing “Embankment planting test areas” (37.5%) and a “Floating habitat island test installation” (34.0%). Implementing the “Dog Park upgrades” (29.7%) was a popular initiative as well. See Figure 4-38.

Additional ideas that participants suggested included replacing the current fence with a more beautiful, wildlife-friendly fence, installing more garbage cans and having regular pick-up of trash, installing better lighting, opening the fences all the time, monthly full-moon walks with gates open for two hours in the evening, allow swimming, adding a restroom at the meadow, removing the fence entirely, installing a kayak launch and access, introducing pedal boat rentals, installing art, installing picnic tables and game courts, widening the existing running/walking paths, creating a co-op vegetable garden, bringing DASH service to the SLRC to connect to Sunset Blvd., water access, planting more trees, and fixing the dirt sidewalk on Van Pelt Place.

SYNTHESIS

Primary takeaways from participants responses to this final questionnaire indicated a clear desire to implement the spaces that will have the most impact in terms of creating more public park space as well as supporting habitat creation and wildlife (The Meadow and Eucalyptus Grove). Participants also showed a strong preference for smaller, near-term initiatives that open the Complex up for more access. This feedback will be used by the project team to select two grants to which to apply for funding as well as further funding and planning initiatives after Master Plan adoption by the City.

**QUESTION 2:** Choose your top three small projects

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