# **Rory M. Shaw Wetlands Park Project**





The Rory M. Shaw Wetlands Park Project (Project) will convert a 46-acre former construction debris landfill into a world-class public park for Sun Valley, a community that has experienced historical disinvestment. The Project will increase climate resiliency within a 929-acre watershed by capturing, cleaning and conserving stormwater; reducing localized flooding; improving water quality; creating new green spaces; increasing passive and active recreational opportunities; and enhancing plant and wildlife habitat.

### **Key Features**



15 acres of open space



A 21-acre detention pond to capture and treat stormwater runoff



New recreational amenities, such as sports fields and playgrounds



New trees, shade structures



10 acres of wetlands



590 acre-feet of water per year captured and recharged into groundwater basin

### **Key Objectives:**

- **Flood Management:** Capture and treat stormwater to reduce local flood risk.
- Water Quality: Improve water quality through natural filtration.
- Water Conservation: Up to 590 acre-feet of water per year captured for groundwater recharge.
- Recreation: Provide a variety of recreation facilities, ensuring access for the entire community.





#### **The Community & Need**

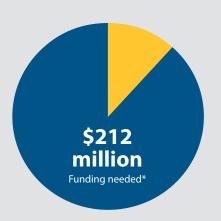
Sun Valley, located in the San Fernando Valley, is a community with concentrated and accumulated disadvantage. The highly-urbanized watershed lacks a comprehensive drainage system, which creates extensive flooding when it rains. The community has one of the highest percentages of children under the age of 10, but far fewer recreational and open space opportunities than other Los Angeles County communities.

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# Infrastructure Equity and Funding Needs

Los Angeles County and the City of Los Angeles are teaming up to address infrastructure inequities experienced by the community. One of the last remaining communities without a functional drainage system, Sun Valley needs relief from intense flooding to protect the public health and safety of residents.



## \$27.8 million

LA County Safe Clean Water Program (\$10m)

City of Los Angeles Proposition O (\$17.8m)

\* Los Angeles County is exploring a number of state, federal and public/private partnership funding opportunities to secure the dollars needed for this critical project.

#### **Investing in the Community**

The Project would provide significant business and job opportunities throughout LA County during construction by integrating Disadvantaged Business Enterprises, Minorityowned Businesses, Women-owned Businesses, Local Small Business Enterprises and Local and Targeted Workers in the construction contract.



















