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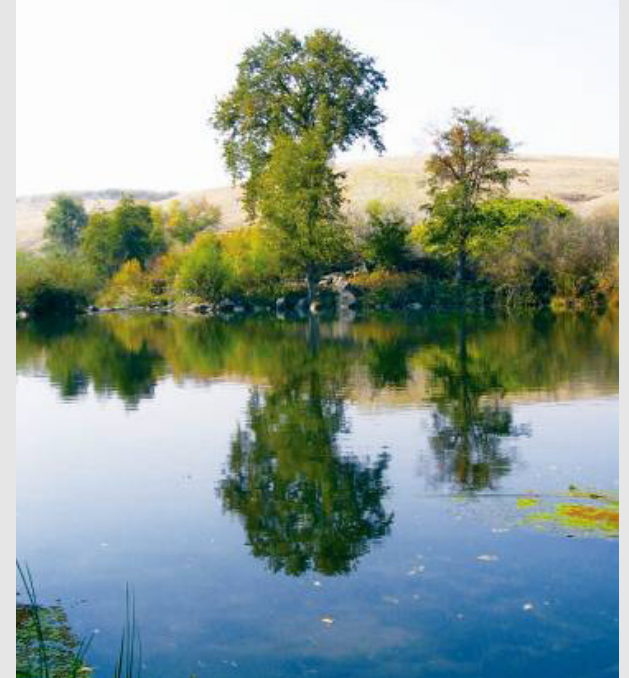
COMMUNITY PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN
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Project Overview

- The Strategic Growth Council (SGC) is awarding DPR \$1,000,000 to prepare Six Community Parks and Recreation Plans
- SGC received 110+ applications from cities and counties across California, of which only 27 are awarded funding
- DPR is the only park and recreation agency selected for the grant

Grant Objectives

- Create parks and green space
- Improve infrastructure
- Improve air and water quality
- Protect natural resources
- Promote water conservation and energy efficiency
- Help the economy



Community Parks and Recreation Plans

- Parks and recreation plans for six unincorporated communities:
 - East Los Angeles
 - East Rancho Dominguez
 - Lennox
 - Walnut Park
 - Willowbrook
 - West Athens - Westmont

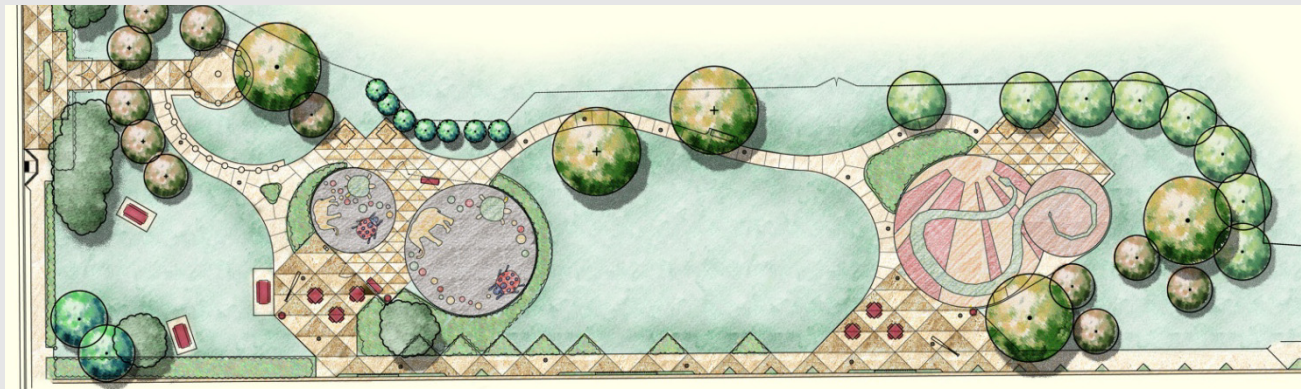
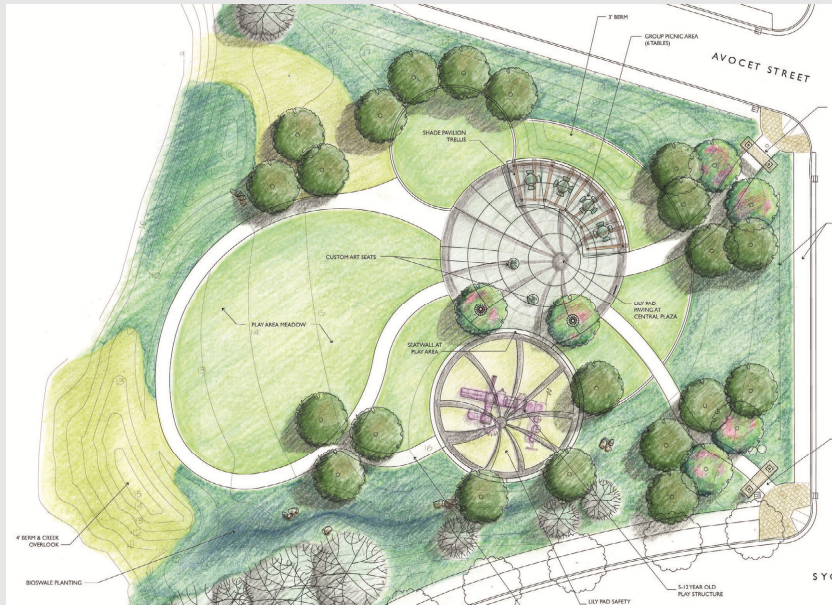
Outcomes

- Park Design Concept Plans
- Land and Funding Opportunities identified
- Joint Use Opportunities and Strategies



Outcomes

- Community Park and Recreation Plans developed through a comprehensive community input process



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Outcomes

- Established Relationships with Community Members and Partner Agencies



Project Team

Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation

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Creating Healthy Outdoor Environments



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Outreach and Community Involvement

- The Los Angeles Neighborhood Land Trust



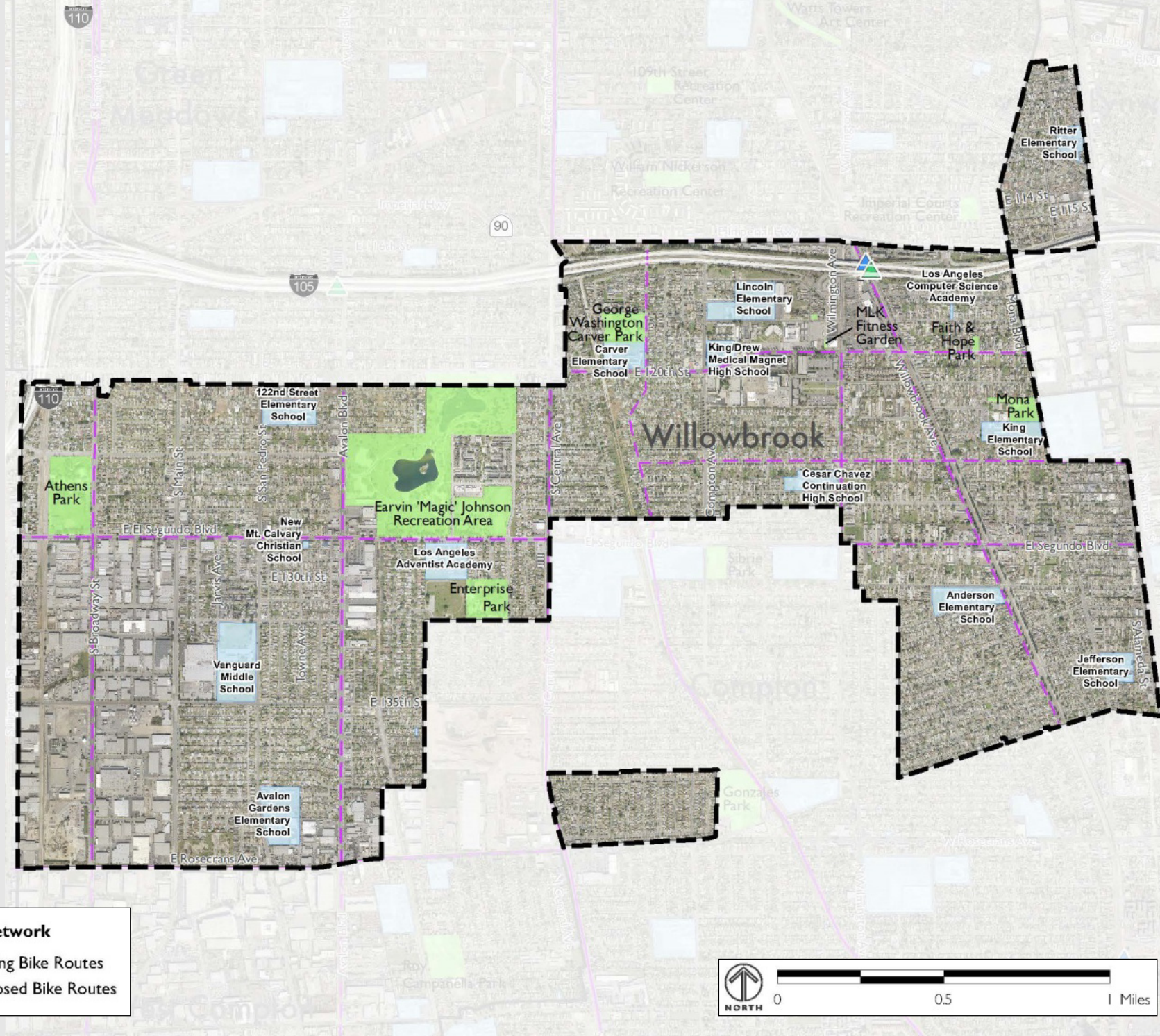
Community Engagement Strategy

- Stakeholder Meetings
- Community Surveys
- Focus Groups
- Community Input Workshops
- Tabling
- Tours
- Community Outreach Fair
- Youth Engagement Activities

Build From Previous and Ongoing Efforts

- MLK Hospital Master Plan
- MLK-MACC Area Access and Streetscape Improvements
- Willowbrook Transit Oriented District Plan
- Willowbrook/Rosa Parks Metro Rail Station Upgrades
- Project Willowbrook: Cultivating a Healthy Community through Arts and Culture – Willowbrook Is/Es Project

Existing Parks and Schools



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Existing Parks

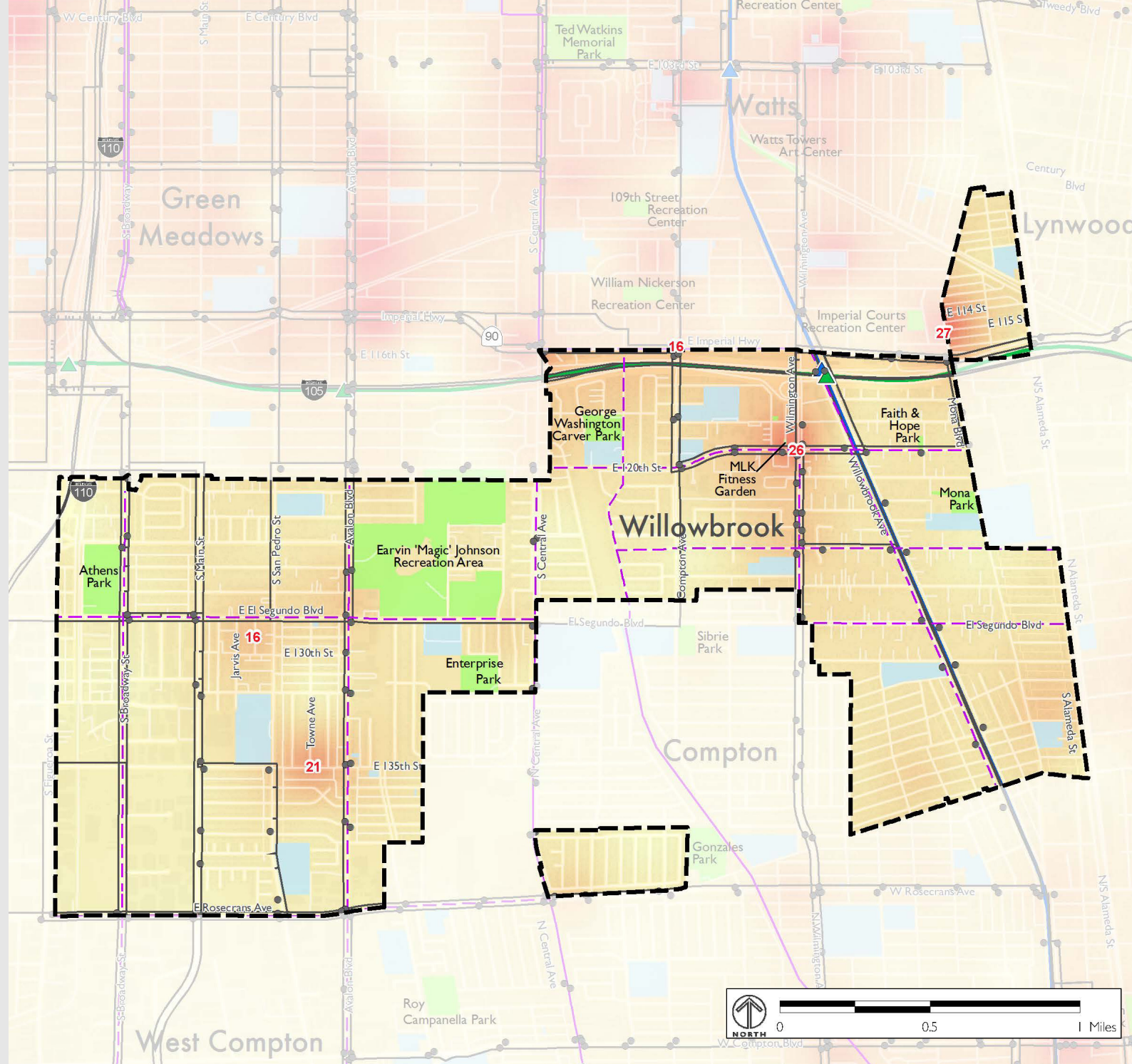
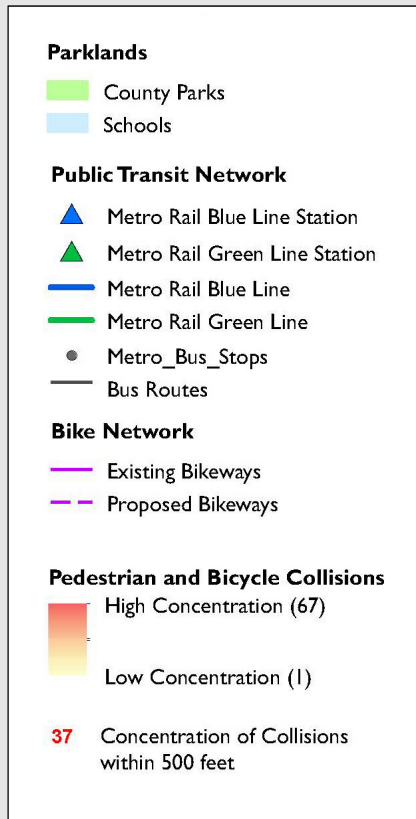
LOCAL PARKS

	Size (acres)	Restrooms	Group Picnic Shelters	Picnic Tables	Barbecues	Splash Pad	Fitness Zone	Outdoor Stage	Public Art	Fishing Lake	Playground	Softball Field	Soccer Field	Football Field	Basketball Court	Tennis Court	Volleyball Court	Skate Park	Walking Paths or Trails	Swimming Pool	Community Building	Senior Center	Gymnasium	Computer Lab
ENTERPRISE PARK	10.02																							
GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER PARK	7.00																							
MONA PARK	7.80																							

REGIONAL FACILITIES

ATHENS PARK	18.71																							
EARVIN 'MAGIC' JOHNSON RECREATION AREA	103.9																							

Transit and Safety



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Questions?

Tasks and Schedule

Existing Conditions	January – August 2013
Community Outreach	April – August 2013
Project Selection	November - 2013
Project Planning / Design	December 2013 – April 2014
Draft Plan Preparation	May 2014 – September 2014
Final Plan Preparation	December 2014 – February 2015

Next Steps

- Community Design Workshop: Fall 2013
- Community Fair: Spring 2014

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