

WEST SAN GABRIEL VALLEY AREA PLAN Agency and City Stakeholder Meeting (Virtual)

Date: Wednesday, February 7th, 2024

Time: 10:00am-11:30am

Meeting Objectives:

- Provide information about the West San Gabriel Valley Area Plan (WSGVAP)
 - WSGVAP Project Website: <https://planning.lacounty.gov/long-range-planning/wsgvap/>
- Share preliminary land use strategies and planning approaches for unincorporated communities in the West San Gabriel Valley Planning Area.
 - WSGV Plan Area Map: <https://planning.lacounty.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/WSGV-Planning-Area.pdf>
- Learn about projects and initiatives from local cities, departments, and agencies in the Plan Area.

MEETING NOTES

1. Introductions/Icebreaker
 - a. Favorite places in the San Gabriel Valley: Descanso Gardens, Boddy House, Parks in the San Gabriel Valley, Santa Fe Dam and scenic views, Arcadia restaurants, Alhambra restaurants, Downtown Pasadena, Old Town Monrovia, Santa Anita Mall, Eaton Canyon
2. Planning Areas Framework
3. WSGVAP Overview
4. Preliminary Land Use Strategies
5. Group Activity (Asset Mapping)
 - a. Areawide Positive Community Assets
 - Recent Rosemead Blvd street improvements
 - Michilinda Park
 - b. Areawide Community Opportunities
 - Potential opportunity for walking paths and/or shared use of nursery spaces under SoCal Edison transmission lines (East Pasadena / South San Gabriel)
 - c. Areawide Community Concerns
 - Level of design in new multi-family structures may warrant updated design standards.
6. WSGVAP Communities Characteristics and Considerations – Overview
7. City/Agency Initiatives, Projects
 - Presentation to the SGVCOG Planner's TAC.
 - Potential changes to signaling and traffic along along Rosemead Blvd in East Pasadena proposed by SGVCOG Transit Feasibility Study.
 - Eaton Wash Bikeway Improvements
 - Temple City Crossroads Specific Plan (Rosemead/Las Tunas). Near the unincorporated boundary. Focused growth within the Specific Plan area allows mixed-use with stepped height.
 - Glendale - Land Use Element Update, circulation element update, design guidelines for mixed-use projects, and overlay near Honolulu Ave underway.

- SGV Greenway Network and Implementation Plan. Needs cross jurisdictional coordination, e.g., Emerald Necklace Master Plan's "Clasp of the necklace" is in Arcadia.
- Trail access, neighborhood connectivity, and greenway improvements need coordination and resource allocation.

8. Next Steps.

- Continue to identify areas to conserve, areas to sustain, and areas to grow based off feedback.
- Continued community outreach, including stakeholder groups.
- Ongoing work on related components, including the Area Plan's environmental review, ordinance, and historic preservation process.
- Preparing for the release of draft documents and proposed map changes for public review and community meetings in mid-March/early April.