


GENERAL PLAN TUNE-UP 001

Community Meeting
December 10, 2025

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AGENDA

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. Project Information
 - Project Background
 - Project Overview
 - Public Participation Opportunities
3. Questions & Answers
4. Closing Remarks

Introductions

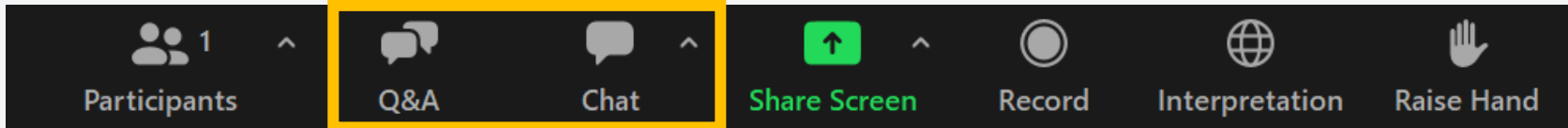
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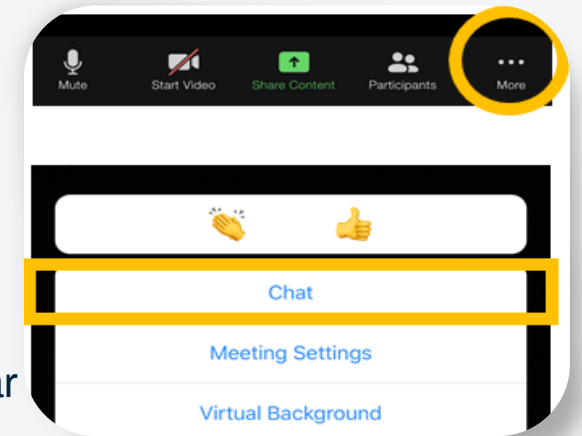
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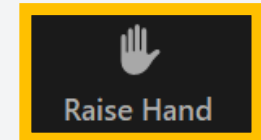
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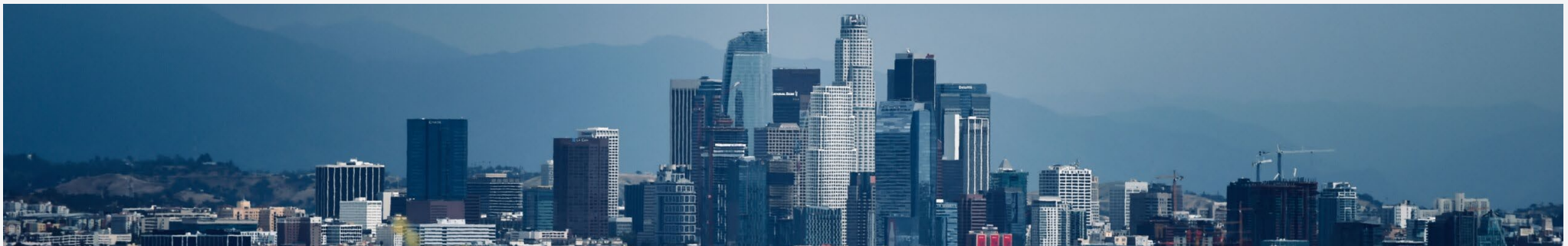


PROJECT BACKGROUND

GENERAL PLAN OVERVIEW

What is a General Plan?

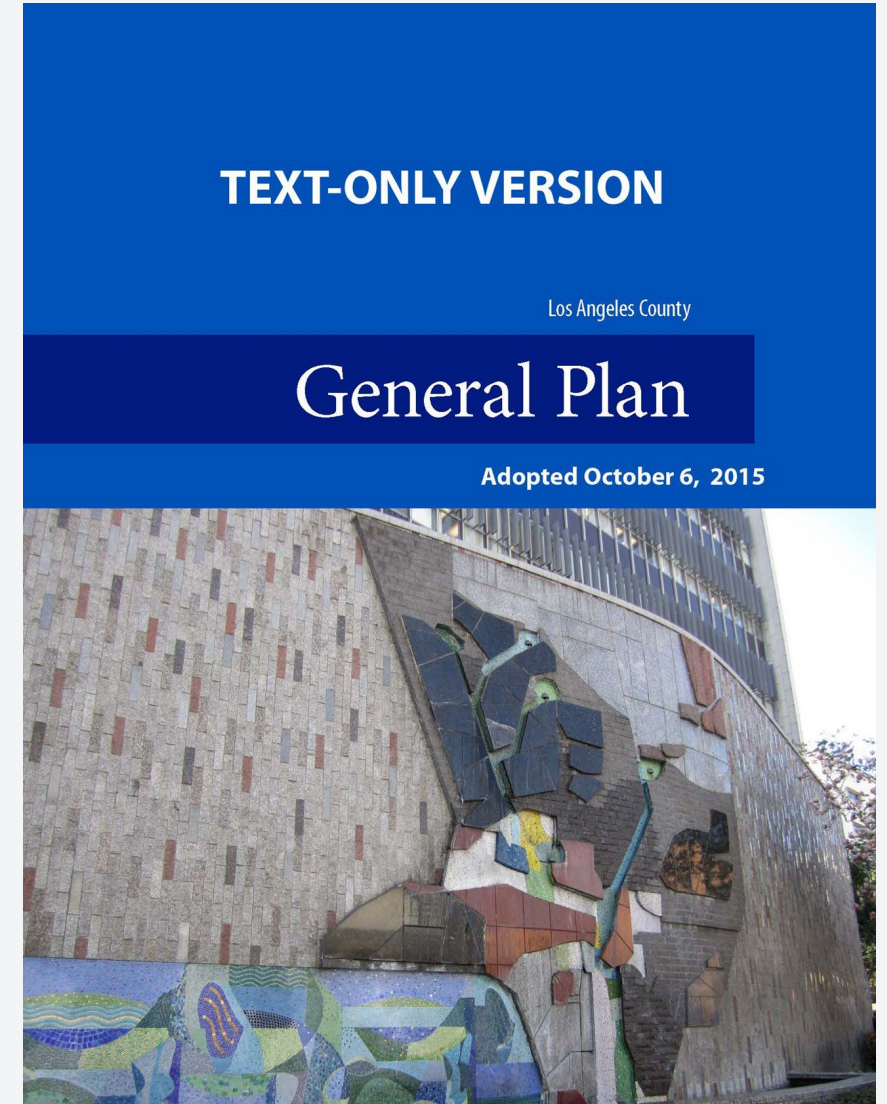
- A long-term blueprint for how a community grows and develops
- Ensures planning is consistent, transparent, and future-oriented
- Required by the State of California government for every city and county



GENERAL PLAN OVERVIEW

LA County's General Plan

- LA County adopted its current General Plan in **2015**
- Sets the vision for unincorporated communities through **2035**
- Organized around ten core elements, including Land Use, Mobility, Housing, Conservation, Parks, and Public Facilities.
- Includes goals, policies, and implementation programs for sustainability, equity, safety, and quality of life



PROJECT BACKGROUND

- No significant updates since the Plan was adopted in 2015
- We aim to address:
 - Updates to County practices and State policy
 - Inconsistencies and technical errors in the Plan

GENERAL PLAN TUNE-UP PROGRAM

- The Regional Planning Commission initiated the Program on **October 15, 2025**
- The Program consists of a series of periodic administrative and technical updates to the General Plan
- The first series of the Program is the **General Plan Tune-Up 001** project

PROJECT OVERVIEW

GENERAL PLAN TUNE-UP 001 GOALS

- Correct minor errors and inconsistencies
- Align with current County practices
- Reflect new State laws and requirements
- Ensure legal compliance
- Improve accuracy and clarity

The General Plan Tune-Up 001 is NOT a comprehensive update of the Plan.

WHAT THE PROJECT WILL NOT DO

✗ Land use or development potential

No changes to land use designations, zoning overlays, boundaries, capacity, density, or intensities.

✗ Project changes

No altering project description, footprint, approvals, phasing, or schedules.

✗ Changes to environmental analysis

No changes to mitigation, standards, thresholds, or methods that alter conclusions, as well as no weakening of environmental safeguards.

✗ Growth and demand

No revisions to growth forecasts or recreation-generating capacity

TYPES OF REVISIONS

Correction Type	Description
Administrative and Technical Corrections	<p>Administrative correction: correct typographical, grammatical, citation, pagination, cross-reference, labeling, and data transcription errors</p> <p>Clarification: improve clarity of formatting and references (headings, numbering, cross-references, figure legends, and table captions)</p> <p>Map/data correction: update maps, figures, and datasets to reflect current information without altering policy direction</p>
Policy Update/Alignment	Update policy text to align with current County programs, adopted plans, and State and regional regulatory requirements.

ADMINISTRATIVE & TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS:

ADMINISTRATIVE CORRECTION EXAMPLES

I. General Plan Annual Progress Report

Section 65400 of the Government Code requires that the County prepare a general plan annual progress report (annual report) on the status of General Plan implementation. The annual report is prepared by the Department of Regional Planning (DRP), presented to the Los Angeles County Regional Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors, and submitted to the California Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation Planning and Research and the California Department of Housing and Community Development by April 1 of each year.

The annual report is the County's mechanism for comprehensively reporting on the following: 1) program implementation; 2) effectiveness of major policies; 3) updates to datasets; and 4) map maintenance.

LA County DPW, on behalf of the CSMD, maintains 4,600 miles of main line sewers, 155 pumping stations, and four sewage treatment plants. The LA County DPW Environmental Programs Division also permits and inspects industrial waste discharge into local sewers. The County Code requires that every business that disposes industrial wastewater obtain a permit. The Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP) controls and mitigates sewer sanitary overflows. For more information on the SSMP, please visit LA County DPW's web site at <http://dpw.lacounty.gov>.

ADMINISTRATIVE & TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS: CLARIFICATION EXAMPLE

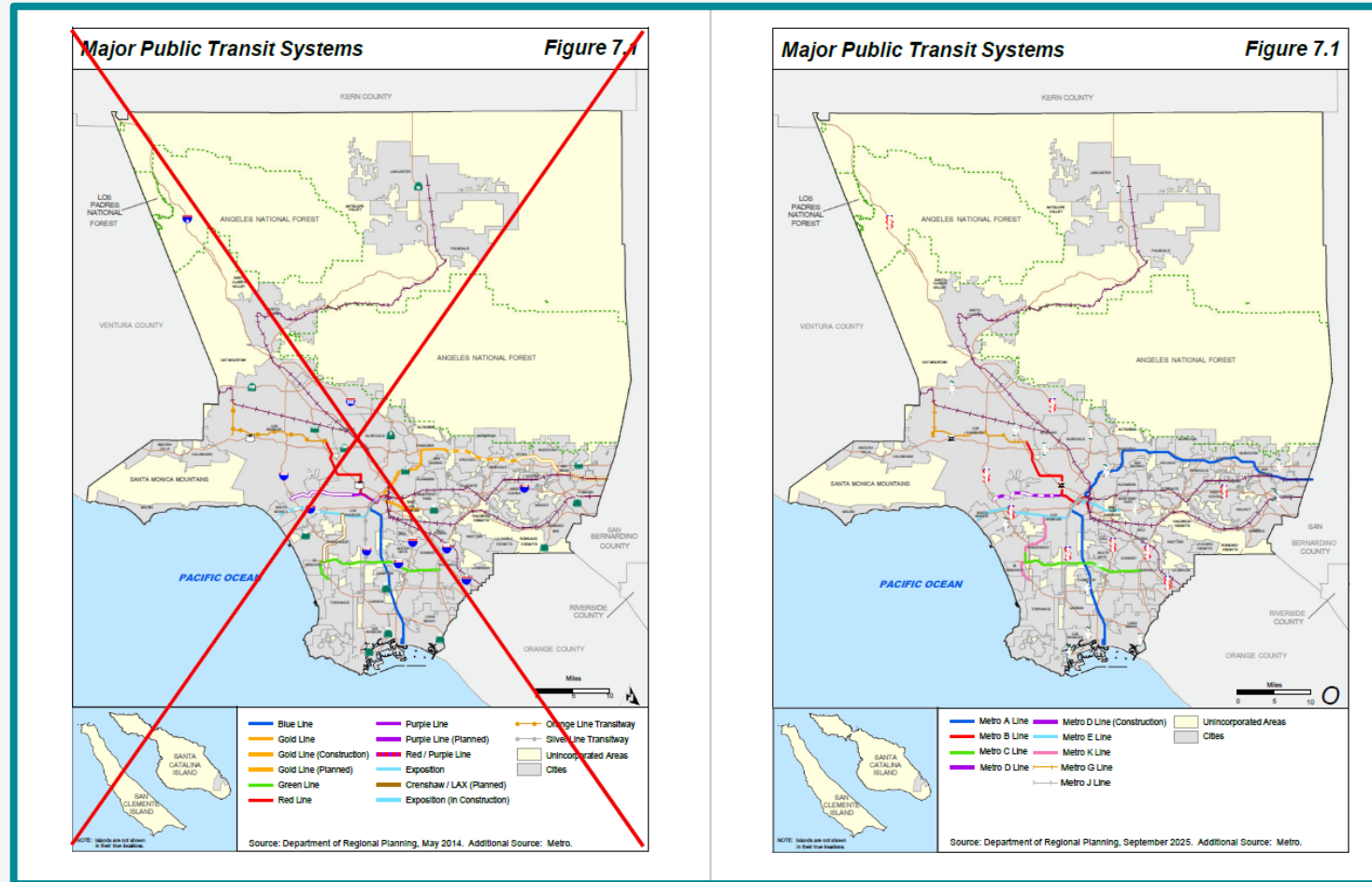
Figure 12.79: Possible Evacuation Routes Map

Identifying Residential Developments In Any Hazard Area Identified In The Safety Element That Do Not Have At Least Two Emergency Evacuation Routes

Evacuation planning is also addressed in Senate Bill 99 (Nielsen, 2019), codified at Government Code, section 65302, subdivision (g)(5), which focuses on identifying residential developments in any hazard areas identified in the Safety Element that do not have at least two emergency evacuation routes. In April 2023, the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) issued a Draft Evacuation Planning Technical Advisory that provides guidance to public agencies as they update their general plan safety element in accordance with evacuation requirements outlined in SB 99 and related bills. The Draft Technical Advisory states that to comply with SB 99, "[r]esidential developments may be separately identified, based on the hazard, or presented in a comprehensive list and/or map." In compliance with SB 99 and the OPR guidance, Figure 12.840 is a comprehensive map that identifies residential developments in unincorporated Los Angeles County that are located in at least one hazard area identified in the Safety Element and do not have access to at least two of the emergency evacuations routes depicted in Figure 12.79.

Figure 12.840 is intended to provide information to comply with SB 99. Evacuation routes to be used during emergency events are determined by emergency responders to account for the type, severity, and changing conditions of the event. Some evacuation routes may not be viable during an emergency event and alternative routes not identified in Figure 12.79 and 12.840 may be employed for evacuation as needed and appropriate. Figure 12.840 is for reference purposes only and is presented without warranties of any kind.

ADMINISTRATIVE & TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS: MAP/DATA CORRECTION EXAMPLE



POLICY UPDATES AND ALIGNMENT

Goals

- Keep the General Plan aligned with current practice
- Remove outdated or obsolete language
- Support current transportation, parks, and economic development strategies

Targeted Policy Updates

- Mobility Element
- Parks & Recreation Element
- Economic Development Element

MOBILITY ELEMENT POLICY UPDATES

- Add language to address Vehicles Miles Traveled (VMT) implementation to align with SB 743
- Include emerging terminology for Neighborhood Electric Vehicles (NEVs)
- Integrate the Vision Zero Action Plan

Neighborhood Electric Vehicles (NEVs)

NEVs are small, low-speed vehicles designed for short trips within neighborhoods, gated communities, or other restricted areas. The State Vehicle Code defines a low-speed vehicle as a "motor vehicle with 4 wheels that is capable of a minimum speed of 20 miles per hour and maximum speed of 25 miles per hour on a paved level surface and that has a gross vehicle weight rating of less than 3,000 pounds." State Assembly Bill 2432, adopted in 2022. Existing law authorizes Los Angeles County and the cities within the County to establish a NEV transportation plan subject to certain requirements.

NEV Transportation Plan

The purpose of a NEV transportation plan is to further the vision of creating a sustainable region that reduces gasoline demand and vehicle emissions by offering a cleaner, more economical means of local transportation within the plan area. It is the further intent that this NEV transportation plan be designed and developed to best serve the functional travel needs of the community, to have the physical safety of the NEV driver's person and property as a major planning component, and to have the capacity to accommodate NEV drivers of every legal age and range of skills. The NEV transportation plan describes the specific duties required of NEV operators, applicable provisions of signing and striping, and the key design parameters that will make NEVs a practical option for mobility throughout plan areas in Los Angeles County.

PARKS & RECREATION ELEMENT POLICY UPDATES

- Integrate the LA Countywide Parks & Rec Needs Assessment and Needs Assessment Plus (PNA & PNA+) information
- Establish a new “Urban Natureways” park classification
- Update descriptions of funding mechanisms (Proposition A & Measure A)

Los Angeles Countywide Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Needs Assessment (PNA)

Adopted by the Board of Supervisors in July, 2016, the Los Angeles Countywide Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Needs Assessment (PNA) introduced a new way to understand and think about parks, recreation, and open space by: considering parks as key infrastructure needed to maintain and improve the quality of life for all County residents, using a series of metrics to determine park need, supporting a need-based allocation of funding for parks and recreation, and emphasizing both community priorities and deferred maintenance projects. In initiating the Parks Needs Assessment, the Board of Supervisors affirmed the importance of parks as essential infrastructure in the County. Healthy, safe communities have thriving parks that contribute to public health and well-being, create a sense of place, increase community cohesion, improve the environment, and boost the economy.

Parks and Recreation Needs Assessment Plus (PNA+)

In June 2022, the Board of Supervisors adopted the Parks Needs Assessment Plus (PNA+). PNA+ is a national model for park equity and planning that assesses the County's needs with respect to environmental conservation and restoration, regional recreation, and rural recreation. PNA+ builds on the PNA of 2016, which comprehensively analyzes and quantifies the need for parks and recreational facilities in cities and unincorporated areas. PNA+ calls for a holistic approach to conservation through both the conservation and protection of existing valuable natural resources and the restoration of urban degraded lands, forming the basis of the County's strategy to conserve at least 30 percent of lands and waters by 2030 (30x30). It also identifies priority areas for regional recreation and rural recreation using various indicators of population vulnerability and other factors such as access to regional and rural recreation sites via different modes of travel, the availability of such facilities, and the amenities they offer.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ELEMENT POLICY UPDATES

- Reflect changes in terminology from a narrower “Biomedical” label to the broader “Life Sciences” industry

Life Sciences~~Biosciences~~~~Biomedical~~

The Life Sciences sector is a critical and burgeoning component of Los Angeles County's economy, currently providing approximately 38,000 jobs with average annual wages of \$116,000—70% above the County average. Notably, nearly 60% of these positions do not require a four-year college degree, and jobs not requiring a bachelor's degree still offer average wages exceeding \$85,000, underscoring the sector's potential for high-paying, inclusive employment. The County's Life Sciences workforce is also notably diverse, with 37% of workers identifying as Hispanic or Black. Recognizing this immense potential, and despite a historical job growth of 9% (adding 3,250 jobs) between 2012 and 2023 which lagged the national average of 28%, the County is resolutely committed to fostering accelerated growth. The goal is to attract and anchor more companies, aiming to create approximately 4,000 new direct jobs within LA County and contribute to a total of 10,000 new jobs in the Greater LA region by 2030. Major companies like Grifols, with its significant plasma operations, and Takeda, a key employer in biomanufacturing, are examples of the established industry presence the County seeks to expand and support.

To achieve this vision, the LA County Department of Economic Opportunity has established a dedicated Life Sciences Advisory Board and partnered with Dalberg Advisors to develop a comprehensive Life Sciences Industry Strategy. The strategy has identified key binding constraints such as the scarcity of affordable "graduation space" for scaling companies, a complex business and regulatory environment, regional fragmentation, and lack of a unified vision and messaging to highlight the local industry. Key areas of focus during implementation include graduation space development, championing zoning and permitting reform modeled on recent successful efforts in the City of Pasadena, and enhancing business retention and attraction efforts, among other strategic priorities designed to cultivate a globally competitive and inclusive life sciences ecosystem.

Health sciences and biomedical~~Biological sciences and~~ research represent a growing industry that provides high-paying jobs. Los Angeles County cannot capitalize on this sector without addressing the lack of high-tech industrial or office space. Land use policy and zoning changes can increase the amount of land available for this target industry and encourage the development of this industry.

PROJECT TIMELINE

ANTICIPATED TIMELINE FOR SERIES 001

Cutoff For Revisions Included in GP Tune-Up 001 Series	Fall 2025
Prepare Draft General Plan Tune-Up 001 document (Public Review Draft)	Fall 2025
Prepare CEQA documents	Winter 2025
Public Review Comment Period and Outreach Meeting	December 8, 2025 to January 22, 2026
Revise Draft General Plan Tune-Up 001 document (Public Hearing Draft)	Winter - Spring 2026
Regional Planning Commission (RPC) Public Hearing	Spring 2026
Board of Supervisors Public Hearing	Summer 2026
Board of Supervisors Consent	Fall 2026

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES

PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITIES

1. During the Public Comment Period
 - Send an email, mail in your comments, or call us
 - From **December 8, 2025, to January 22, 2026**
2. During the Regional Planning Commission (RPC) Public Hearing
 - Attending the meeting in person or virtually and signing up to provide comment
 - Date TBD
3. During the Board of Supervisors Public Hearing
 - Attending the meeting in person or virtually and signing up to provide comment
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GENERAL PLAN TUNE-UP PROGRAM DRAFT DOCUMENT REVIEW

Review the General Plan Tune-Up Draft
Document here

bit.ly/GP-TU



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- **Email:**
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- **Mailing address:** 320 West Temple Street, 13th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90012

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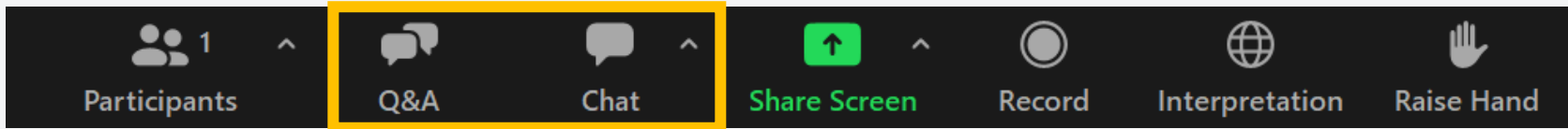
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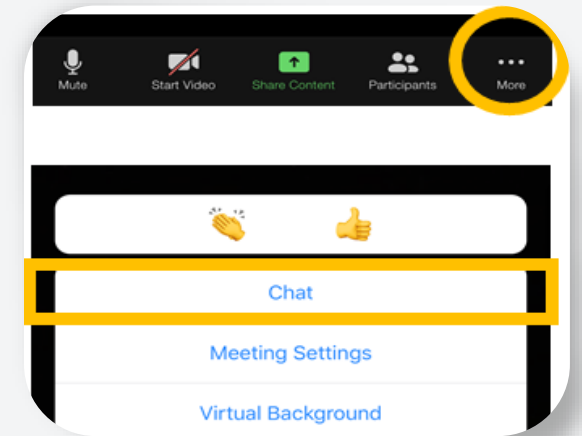
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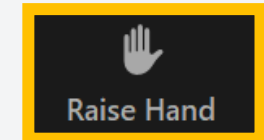
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Q&A

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