

# Carr Park Conceptual Plan

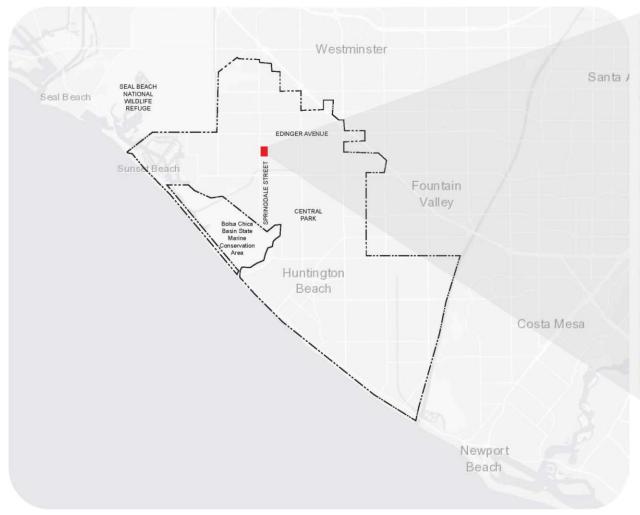
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## **Project Location**

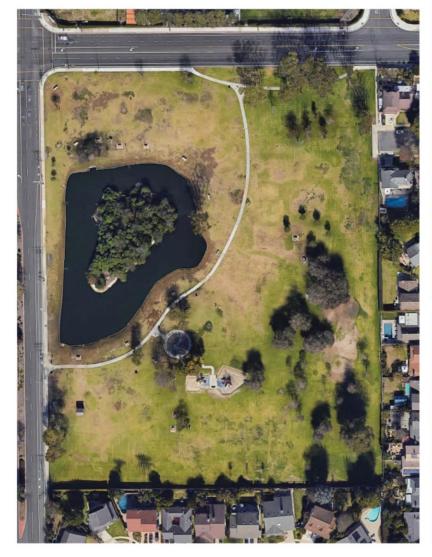




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## **Project Site**











## **Project Progress**

**Project Initiated** 

March 2023 – Completed

**Community Outreach Meeting No. 1** 

May 2023 – Completed

**Virtual Survey No. 1** 

June 2023 – Completed

**Huntington Beach Fishing and Recreation Club Stakeholder Meeting** 

June 2023 – Completed

California Department of Fish and Wildlife Stakeholder Meeting

June 2023 - Competed

**2-Concept Options Development** 

June/July 2023 - Completed

**Community Outreach Meeting No. 2** 

July 2023 – Completed

**Follow-up Stakeholder Meetings** 

August/September 2023 – Completed

**Proposed Concept Plan Development** 

August/September 2023 – Completed

**Environmental Study** 

February-April 2024 – Completed

**Community & Library Services Commission** 

June 12, 2024



# Community Outreach Meeting and Survey No. 1

#### **OUTREACH MEETING SUMMARY NO. 1**

Approximately 50 community members were in attendance on May 17, 2023

- Community introduction to project
- Site walk around the park to discuss different issues
- Brief discussion/presentation from the design team on challenges with the lake
- Collaborative design discussion/charrette where feedback was collected

#### **VIRTUAL SURVEY SUMMARY NO. 1**

A total of 213 virtual surveys open from May 18 to June 1, 2023

- Most respondents are long-time Huntington Beach residents, primarily seniors (aged 55+) (47%)
- Most respondents do not visit the park often (41%) and tend to stay for less than an hour (68%)
- Visitors engage in various activities, including being with kids, walking dogs, alone time, exercise, and relaxation



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## Community Outreach Meeting and

Survey No. 2

#### **OUTREACH MEETING SUMMARY NO. 2**

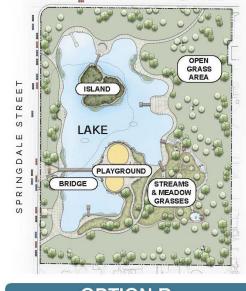
- Over 20 residents were in attendance on July 20, 2023
- Presented two concept designs
- Open discussion to provide feedback and input on the concept designs

#### **VIRTUAL SURVEY SUMMARY NO. 2**

A total of 52 responses were collected while the survey was open from July 21 to August 4, 2023

- Option Preference
  - 55.8% Option A
  - 32.7% Option B
  - 9.7% "Other"
- Lake Preference
  - 55.8% Keep an island
  - 40.4% No island
  - 4% "Other"





**OPTION A** 

OPTION B



### Stakeholder Meetings

#### **HUNTINGTON BEACH FISHING AND RECREATION GROUP MEETINGS**

- Hosts annual fishing events at the park in May with 60-70 kids from schools across the City in attendance
- Highest priority is improving the quality of the lake
- Would prefer the island to be removed
- Works in collaboration with the CA Department of Fish & Wildlife and HB Police Department during events
- Would like better access into the park for events, with potential event space

#### CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE MEETINGS

- Evaluation of existing bird habitat and mitigation measures will be conducted during project environmental review. Will be reviewed by the departments Habitat Conservation Department
- Department has resources for educating the public on bird feeding issue
- Reviewed proposed concept plan, and are in support of removal of island and expansion of lake

#### **HUNTINGTON BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT**

• Better Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principals for security

## **Biological Study**

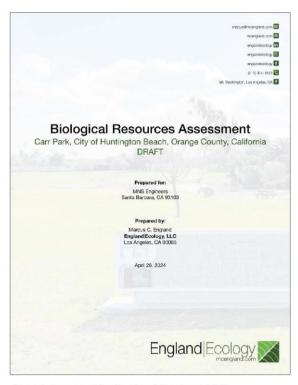
The CA Department of Fish and Wildlife recommended a biological survey be conducted at Carr Park to assess the impact of proposed improvements on special bird species and vegetation.

#### **Methods**

- Desktop Review
- Field Survey

#### **Results**

- The proposed Project will not have significant direct, indirect, or cumulative effects on candidate, sensitive, or special status species.
- The proposed Project will not have significant direct, indirect, or cumulative effects on riparian habitat or other sensitive natural communities.
- The proposed Project will not have significant direct, indirect, or cumulative effects on wildlife movement.
- No aspect of Project implementation would be expected to have significant adverse effects on sensitive communities or special status flora or fauna.
- Recommendation for a pre-construction survey for nesting birds by a qualified biologist to take place within 300 feet of all project areas within one week of commencement of project construction, if construction occurs during nesting season (typically February 1 to August 31).

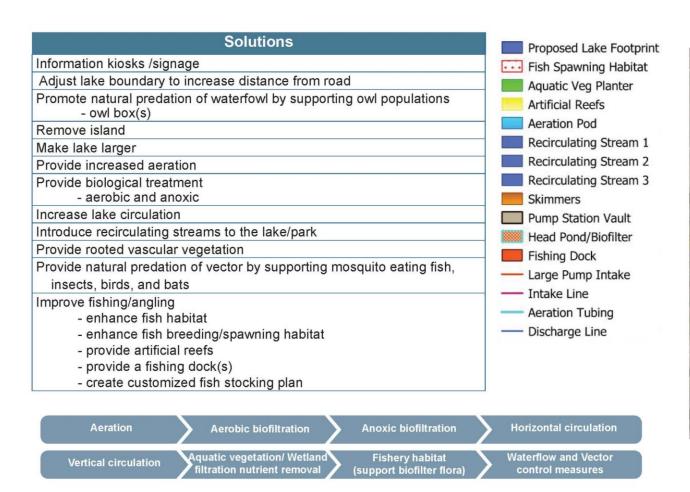


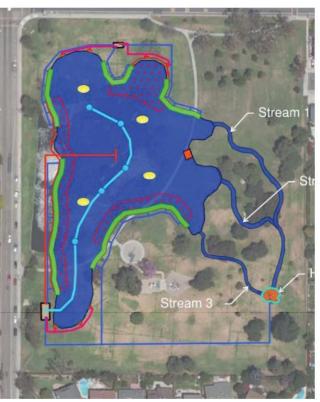
Report prepared by England Ecology, LLC under MNS Engineers.



### Lake Improvements

The following are items that will improve lake quality, help alleviate the bird waste problem and initiate a 'reset' to provide a healthy lake for long term use and enjoyment of the community.

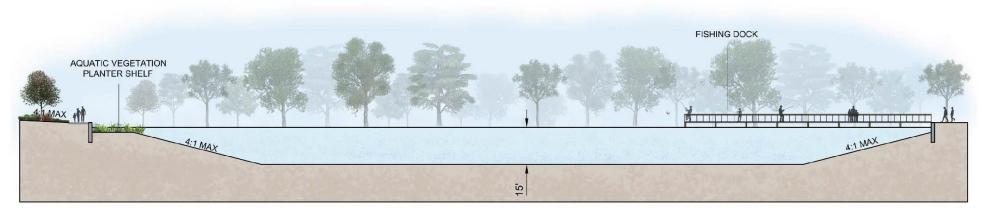






### Lake Improvements:

### **Biological Treatment**



ELEVATION 'D'

LAKE IMPROVEMENTS



### **Proposed Concept**



#### **LEGEND**

#### **AMENITIES**

- (A1) INFORMATION KIOSK
- (A2) PAVED WALKWAY, 10' wide (ADA COMPLIANT)
- (A3) ACCESSIBLE WALK ALONG LAKE'S PERIMETER
- (A4) LAKESIDE SEAT BLOCKS
- (A5) SEAT WALL
- (A6) VEHICLE ACCESS DRIVE
- PAVED SPACE TO ACCOMMODATE LAKE & PARK SERVICE VEHICLES FOR MAINTENANCE AND PARK EVENTS
- A8 SEATING, LOUNGING & SOCIALIZING SPACE
- (A9) MEANDERING TRAIL (DECOMPOSED GRANITE SURFACE)
- BARRIER FENCE BETWEEN STREET AND LAKE OFF SPRINGDALE STREET
- (A11) OUTDOOR SPACE FOR COMMUNITY EVENTS
- MONUMENT COLUMN W/ CHRIS CARR MEMORIAL PLAQUE

#### **PLAYGROUNDS**

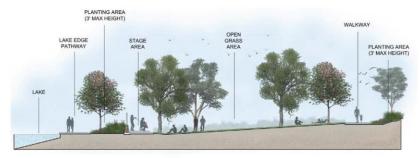
- P1 CHILDREN PLAYGROUND (AGES 2-5)
- P2 CHILDREN PLAYGROUND (AGES 5-12)
- P3 PLAYGROUND BARRIER FENCING AND CONTROLLED ENTRY
- P4 PLAYGROUND SEATING

#### **FITNESS STATIONS**

- (F1) FITNESS STATIONS AREA 1
- F2 FITNESS STATIONS AREA 2
- F3 FITNESS STATIONS AREA 3
- F4 PERIMETER WALKING & EXERCISE PATH 1/2



### **Elevations**



ELEVATION 'A'
STAGE AREA FOR COMMUNITY EVENTS



ELEVATION 'B'
RE-CIRCULATING STREAM #1: SMALL POND TO LAKE EDGE



RE-CIRCULATING STREAM #1: HEAD WATER TO SMALL POND



## Funding

Initial funding in the amount of \$100,000 in FY 2021/22 and \$325,000 in FY 2022/23 totaling \$425,000 has been included in the City's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for Carr Park conceptual design services, including the preparation of plans and specifications.

To date, there is a remaining balance of \$336,113 to continue into the next phase of design.

Staff will seek out stormwater grant opportunities to offset construction costs.

### **Recommended Action**

Approve the conceptual plan for Carr Park reconfiguration and authorize staff to move forward with initiating the development of design and bid package for construction of the updated facility.



### Questions?

