Arroyo Seco Parkway Workshop #1

November, 2011
Project Objectives

1. Finalize a National Scenic Byway Corridor Management Plan for the Historic Arroyo Seco Parkway
   a. Revise 2004 Draft CMP with stakeholder input
   b. Address transportation & environmental issues
   c. Perform community outreach
   d. Evaluate local & regional transportation issues
   e. Provide strategies to preserve, restore & maintain intrinsic qualities:
      i. Historic
      ii. Recreational
      iii. Cultural
      iv. Natural
   
   f. Address key issues within the historically significant parkway and scenic byway Viewshed:
      i. Roadway safety
      ii. Mobility
      iii. Tourism development
      iv. Economic development
Project Objectives

2. Promote the Transportation Experience within the Corridor
   a. Include comprehensive analysis of multi-modal transportation services
   b. Develop marketing plan to “promote” transportation options within the Historic Byway
      i. Gather & analyze data
         1. On transportation characteristics
         2. On traveler preferences & priorities
   ii. Develop a marketing program
      1. Promotes wide-range of multi-modal transportation options for safe, leisurely travel through the corridor
      2. Build upon previous studies within corridor that describe various “linkages” to the rich historic & cultural resources in the diverse communities within the NSB Corridor.
Federal Highway Administration’s National Scenic Byway Program

- Voluntary Federal program
- Designated based on six intrinsic qualities -- archaeological, cultural, historic, natural, recreational and scenic
- Recognizes a collection of distinctive roads and treasured places located within the broader corridor
- Program provides resources to create a unique travel experience and enhanced quality of life in the corridor

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National Scenic Byway

• Only 150 Designated across U.S. – 7 in Calif.
• Only One in S. Calif. – Arroyo Seco Parkway

Based on 4 Intrinsic Qualities: Historic, Natural, Cultural and Recreational
A Parkway is a Park with a Road in it.

Via Marisol Ramps

Arroyo Seco Parkway TAC
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Elysian Park
Arroyo River Becomes...

Flood Control Channel & Arroyo Seco Parkway (SR 110)
Historic Arroyo Seco Parkway

- Dedicated 1940
- Official Alignment of Route 66
- National Register Eligible Landmark, 1983
- California Register Listed, 1992
- California Historic Parkway, 1993
- ASCE Civil Engineering Landmark, 1999
- Recorded Historic American Engineering Record for Library of Congress, 1999
- FHWA National Scenic Byway Designated, 2002
- National Register Listed, 2010
Resources in the Arroyo Corridor

- Arts & Crafts Movement
- Transportation (Rt. 66, Parkway)
- Nature (Arroyo Seco river)
- Art & Architecture
- Ethnic/Cultural history
Technical definition of a byway...

A public road having special scenic, historic, recreational, cultural, archeological, and/or natural qualities that have been recognized as such through legislation or some other official declaration.

Taken from: National Scenic Byways Program Interim Policy
Definitions of a CMP

Legal - a written document that specifies the actions, procedures, controls, operational practices, and administrative strategies to maintain the scenic, historic, recreational, cultural, archeological, and natural qualities of the scenic byway. - *NSB Interim Policy*

Technical - the application of multiple strategies to achieve specific land development and transportation objectives along segments of a corridor. – *Natl. Coop. Hwy Research Prgrm.*

Practical - a living process that looks at the current conditions of the scenic byway, takes into account the community values, and draws a map to bring the community goals to fruition.  
– *Turquoise Trail Natl. Scenic Byway*
Steps to Updating the 2004 CMP

• RFP Tasks vs. Components of a Byway Program CMP
• 14 Point Corridor Framework

Corridor Framework

1) Corridor Location & Resources Map
2) Resource Assessment

Enhancing and Protecting the Unique Historic Resources

3) Viewshed Enhancement Plan
4) Public Participation Plan
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Encouraging Multi-Modal Transit Oriented Development

6) Multi-modal Plan

Enhancing Safety & Improving Highway Efficiency

7) Safety Plan
8) Compliance
9) Signage Plan
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Improving Traveler Experience

10) Marketing Plan
11) Interpretive Plan

CMP Recommendations

12) Coordination/Collaboration
13) Implementation
14) Define Major Stakeholders for Implementation
Outline to Scope of Work

• Task 1: Mobilization, Project Management, Administration
  *TAC Meetings, Project Management*

• Task 2: Community Outreach Program
  *Stakeholder Groups, Public Workshops*

• Task 3: Determine Baseline Conditions
  *Evaluate Data, Determine Baseline Conditions*
Outline to Scope of Work

• Task 4: Refine 2004 CMP
  *Environmental and Traffic Analysis, Travel Demand Modeling, Identify the Multi-Modal Transportation System*

• Task 5: Prepare Executive Summary and Finalize CMP
  *Final CMP, Phased Implementation Plan*

• Task 6: Wrap-up
  *Deliver Project Information to Caltrans*
Project Schedule

Meetings
- Kick-off
- Progress Meetings
- Stakeholder Meetings (Round)
- TAC Meetings

Project Management
- Determine Baseline Conditions
- Refine 2004 CMP
- Prepare Executive Summary
- Finalize CMP
- Wrap-up

Meeting Legend
- Kick-off
- Progress Meetings
- Stakeholder Meetings (Represents Round of Meetings)
- TAC Meetings

Deliverable Legend
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Baseline Evaluation Documentation

• City of Los Angeles
  • North East Los Angeles Community Plan Land Use Element
  • North East Los Angeles Community Plan Circulation map
  • Central City North Community Plan Land Use Element
  • City of Los Angeles 2010 Bicycle Master Plan
  • City of Los Angeles Zoning map
  • Historic Preservation Overlay zones for Highland Park Garvanza and Lincoln Heights
  • Mount Washington and Glassell Park Specific Plan
  • Avenue 57 TOD Specific Plan
  • Cornfields Arroyo Specific Plan (CASP)
  • The Los Angeles River Revitalization Master Plan
  • Los Angeles State Historic Park General Plan
  • Ad Hoc Committee on the Los Angeles River Council Members
  • Los Angeles Conservancy
  • Highland Park Heritage Trust
  • Northeast Linkages, Los Angeles Dept. of Transportation (2005)

• South Pasadena
  • The City of South Pasadena Bicycle Master Plan
  • South Pasadena Land Use Element and map
  • South Pasadena Circulation Element
  • Zoning map
  • Mission Street Specific Plan and map
  • South Pasadena Preservation Foundation

• Pasadena
  • The City of Pasadena is in the process of updating their General Plan
  • Pasadena Land Use Element and map
  • Zoning map
  • Mobility Element and Pedestrian Plan
  • Central District Specific Plan
  • South Fair Oaks Specific Plan
  • Central Arroyo Seco Master Plan
  • Lower Arroyo Seco Master Plan
  • Pasadena Heritage
Baseline Evaluation Documentation

• County of Los Angeles
  • County of Los Angeles Bicycle Master Plan (New Plan just released Oct 2011)
  • County LA River Master Plan (1990s)
  • Arroyo Seco Watershed Ecosystem Restoration Study – Army Corps feasibility study, Council of Arroyo Seco Agencies (CASA) administered by Watershed Protection Division
  • Arroyo Seco Bike/Pedestrian Trail (in partnership with Caltrans)

• Regulatory Agencies
  • South Coast Air Quality Management District
  • U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
  • Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board
  • California Department of Fish and Game
  • U.S. Fish and Wildlife
  • United States Environmental Protection Agency
  • Los Angeles and San Gabriel Rivers Watershed Council

• Transit Authorities
  • Metro
  • LADOT DASH
  • Pasadena ARTS
  • Foothill Transit
  • South Pasadena Gold Link Shuttle

• Other
  • Arroyo Seco Parkway National Register District (National Register of Historic Places)
  • American Civil Engineering Landmark Designation for Arroyo Seco Parkway
  • Arroyo Seco Watershed Feasibility Study (Arroyo Seco Foundation and North East Trees)
  • “Landscape Framework” study by Cal Poly Pomona 606 Studio program
  • Arroyo Seco Foundation
Restoring the Arroyo Seco - Wish you were here!
TRANSPORTATION NETWORK MAP - TRANSIT ROUTES
ARROYO SECO PARKWAY
CORRIDOR MANAGEMENT PLAN

TRANSPORTATION NETWORK
MAP - BIKEWAYS