

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

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Pursuant to the Donation Agreement, TPL has worked with RAP to develop the final design plans for the Aliso and Los Angeles River Confluence Park Project. TPL has recently completed and prepared the final plans for the project. These final plans have been reviewed and approved by RAP staff and are in substantial conformance with the conceptual plan that was previously approved by the Board. The scope of work is for the development of new outdoor park and recreational improvements. The plan for the development of the Aliso and Los Angeles River Confluence Park Project includes an approximately half-mile of decomposed granite walking path; benches; shaded picnic areas; a low-maintenance and water-efficient demonstration garden; decorative gates; and, educational and interpretive signs. It is anticipated that the \$1,755,000.00 in grant funding awarded to TPL for this project is sufficient to meet the project scope.

TPL expects to start construction of the park in February 2015. Upon completion of construction of the park by TPL, RAP staff will submit the completed project to the Board for final approval and acceptance. If accepted by the Board, RAP will be responsible for long-term maintenance and operation of the park improvements.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of the development of a new park. The proposed park will include a half-mile of decomposed granite walking path, benches, shaded picnic areas, a low-maintenance and water-efficient demonstration garden, decorative gates, and educational and interpretive signs. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 3(6), Class 4(1,3), Class 11(3), and Class 25(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The approval and execution of the final plans for the project will not have any impact on the Department's General Fund.

The estimated costs for the design, development, and construction of the proposed park improvements are anticipated to be funded by funding sources other than the Department's General Fund.

At this time there is no fiscal impact to RAP for the maintenance of the subject project. Once the project is completed, operational maintenance cost will be determined. Upon project completion, a request for funding will be submitted in future RAP annual budget requests.

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