

GATEWAY CITIES AND RIVERS URBAN GREENING PLAN

PROJECT: GATEWAY GREENING PLAN



The Watershed Conservation Authority in partnership with North East Trees—and as part of its vision of “Connecting Communities Through Nature”—is developing a visionary urban greening master plan for the Gateway Cities and Lower LA and San Gabriel Rivers.

The Gateway Greening Plan seeks to expand, develop, and enhance greenways, parks, and open space both along our river corridors and throughout our urban communities. The plan will—incorporating existing plans and public input—identify opportunities for parks, trails, water conservation and capture, living streets, tree cover, habitat, and interpretation and wayfinding within 26 cities and unincorporated areas that make up the Gateway Cities in the central and lower LA basin.

Goals of the Gateway Greening Plan

From Gray to Green

Identify project opportunities for parks, open space, greenways, green infrastructure, and living streets.

Catalyzing Change

Develop visionary imagery, concept designs, and urban greening toolkits to inspire and engage communities and funders to realize positive change.

Spurring Investment

Identify implementation strategies and funding opportunities for county, cities, and community members to promote attention and investment to implement greening vision to improve quality of life and watershed health.

WHO WE ARE: WATERSHED CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

By *Connecting Communities Through Nature* the WCA seeks to:

- Protect open space for people and wildlife
- Support water conservation and ecosystem improvement
- Inspire environmental stewardship in diverse communities and among recreational users
- Expand public access to existing and new recreation opportunities

Established in 2003, the Watershed Conservation Authority (WCA) is a local government agency, exercising the joint powers of the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (RMC) and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District. The WCA serves communities in Los Angeles County and North Orange County regions through the conservation and preservation of open space and through the improvement of access to parks and trails.

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