

# Watershed Coordinator Update

STRATEGIC OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT PLAN (SOEP)







#### 1. FACILITATE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IN SCWP



2. IDENTIFY AND DEVELOP PROJECT CONCEPTS



3. WORK WITH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TEAMS



4. FACILITATE IDENTIFICATION AND REPRESENTATION OF COMMUNITY PRIORITIES



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### LSGR SOEP - PURPOSE

partnership talk learn community program concepts share Common grants relationships opportunities diversity Collaborate learn talk SCWP share involve relationships community funds engage program coordinate grants intrest partnership engage diversity talk involve learn meet partnership funds intrest program share LSGR resources resources opportunities Concept engage coordinate common opportunities Collaborate diversity meet

The purpose of the Strategic Outreach and Engagement Plan is to engage communities, coordinate funding opportunities, help develop project concepts, identify and educate stakeholders, develop relationships with residents, and businesses, and ultimately create more involvement in the SCWP and more specifically, the Lower San Gabriel River Watershed Area Steering Committee.



#### LSGR SOEP - GOALS



The goals of the Lower San Gabriel River Watershed Area mirror the goals of the larger Safe Clean Water Program. As such, the goals are to:

- Implement a new plan for L.A.'s water system to capture the billions of gallons of water we lose each year.
- Help protect our coastal waters and beaches from the trash and contaminants in stormwater that make people sick and threaten marine life.
- Modernize our 100-year-old water system infrastructure, using a combination of nature, science, and new technology.
- Help protect public health, ensuring safer, greener, healthier, and more livable spaces for all.
- Prepare our region for the effects of a changing climate — including recurring cycles of drought, wildfire, and flooding.
- Require strict community oversight and independent auditing to ensure local monies raised stay local.







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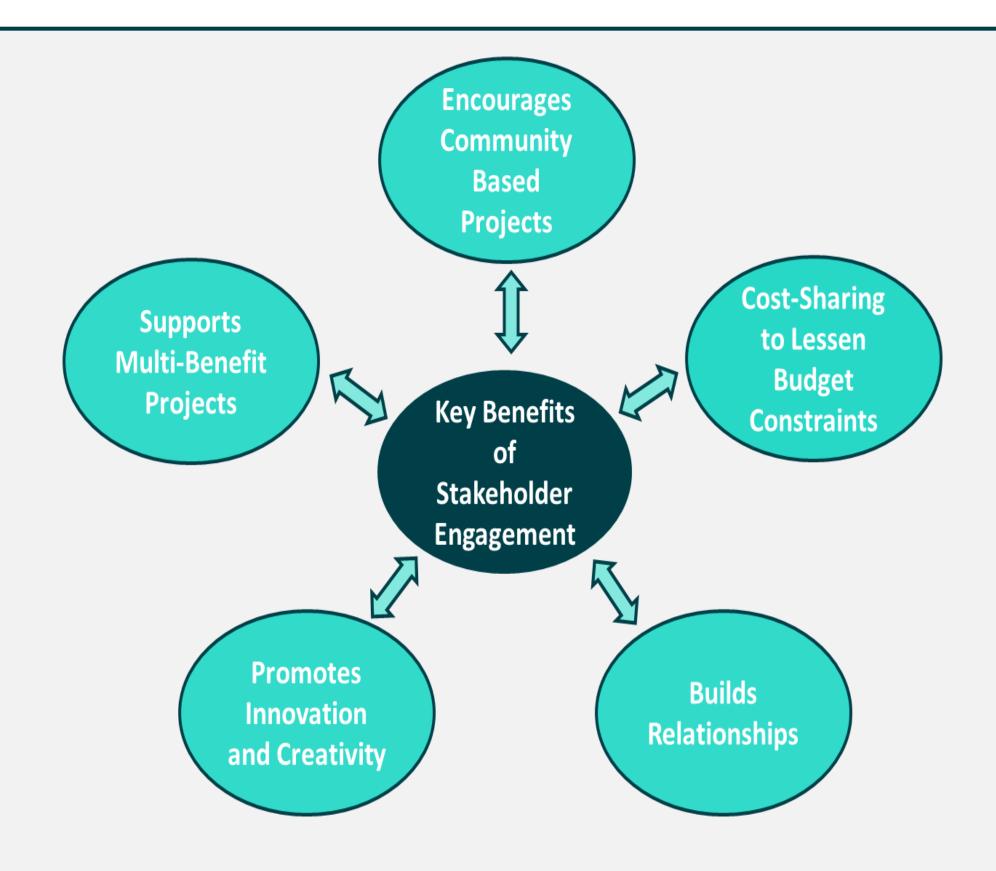


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## LSGR SOEP - INTERESTED PARTY MAPPING







#### LSGR SOEP - POTENTIAL INTERESTED PARTIES

- Amigos de los Rios
- Friends of the San Gabriel River
- Los Cerritos Wetlands Stewardship
- Los Cerritos Wetlands Authority
- Los Cerritos Wetlands Land Trust
- Los Angeles Neighborhood Initiative
- Lot to Spot
- River in Action
- LA County Bike Coalition
- California State University Long Beach
- Cerritos College
- California Greenworks
- Watershed Council of Health
- Tree People



- Long Beach Conservation Corps
- Heal the Bay
- Campfire LA
- Central Basin MWD Purveyors Monthly Workshop
- Korean Community Services
- Gateway Water Management Authority
- Gateway Cities Council of Governments
- ABC Unified School District and Campuses
- Chambers of Commerce Service
   Clubs
- Water Education for Latino Leaders
- Watershed Conservation Authority





# LSGR SOEP – Workshop/Outreach Events:

#### 1) Joint LSGR/LLAR WASC

Virtual 1-hour Workshop with identified stakeholders (NGOs and other community organizations)

Topic ideas: What is a watershed, why is it important, what are the current issues and what are the possible solutions (i.e., show pictures/videos of examples for regional large projects and/or nature-based projects)? What is the SCWP and how can you get involved in your WASC? How can you help develop project concepts? Do you have an idea for a project in your community that might be a good fit for the SCWP (could be for municipal or regional funds)? Goal: Increase stakeholder participation with WASC and promote input on projects; etc.

#### 2) Joint LSGR/USGR WASC

Virtual 1-hour Workshop with identified stakeholders (NGOs and other community organizations)

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#### 3) Joint LSGR WASC / Tree People Event in DAC Community

(Tree People is the DAC Involvement Program Consultant for Greater LA IRWM)

Topic ideas for LSGR WASC (Tree People can present DACIP): What is a watershed, why is it important, what are the current issues and what are the possible solutions (i.e., show pictures of examples for regional large projects and/or nature-based projects)? What is the SCWP and how can you get involved in your WASC? Do you have an idea for a project in your community that might be a good fit for the SCWP (could be for municipal or regional funds)? LSGR WASC Goal: Increase stakeholder participation with WASC and promote input on projects by DACs; etc.

#### 4) To Be Determined





## LSGR WASC - Outreach Materials

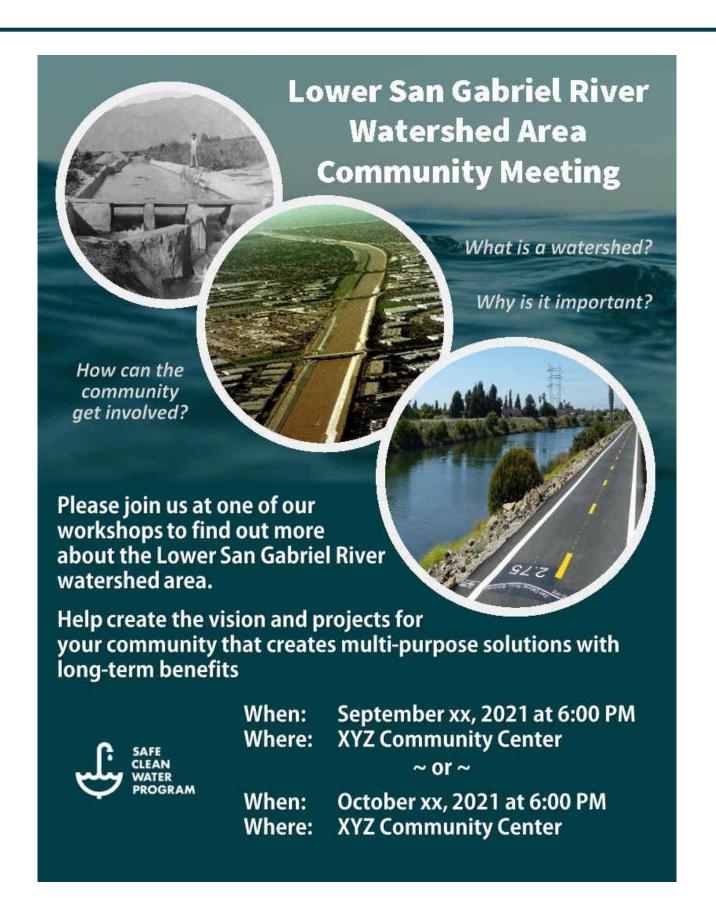








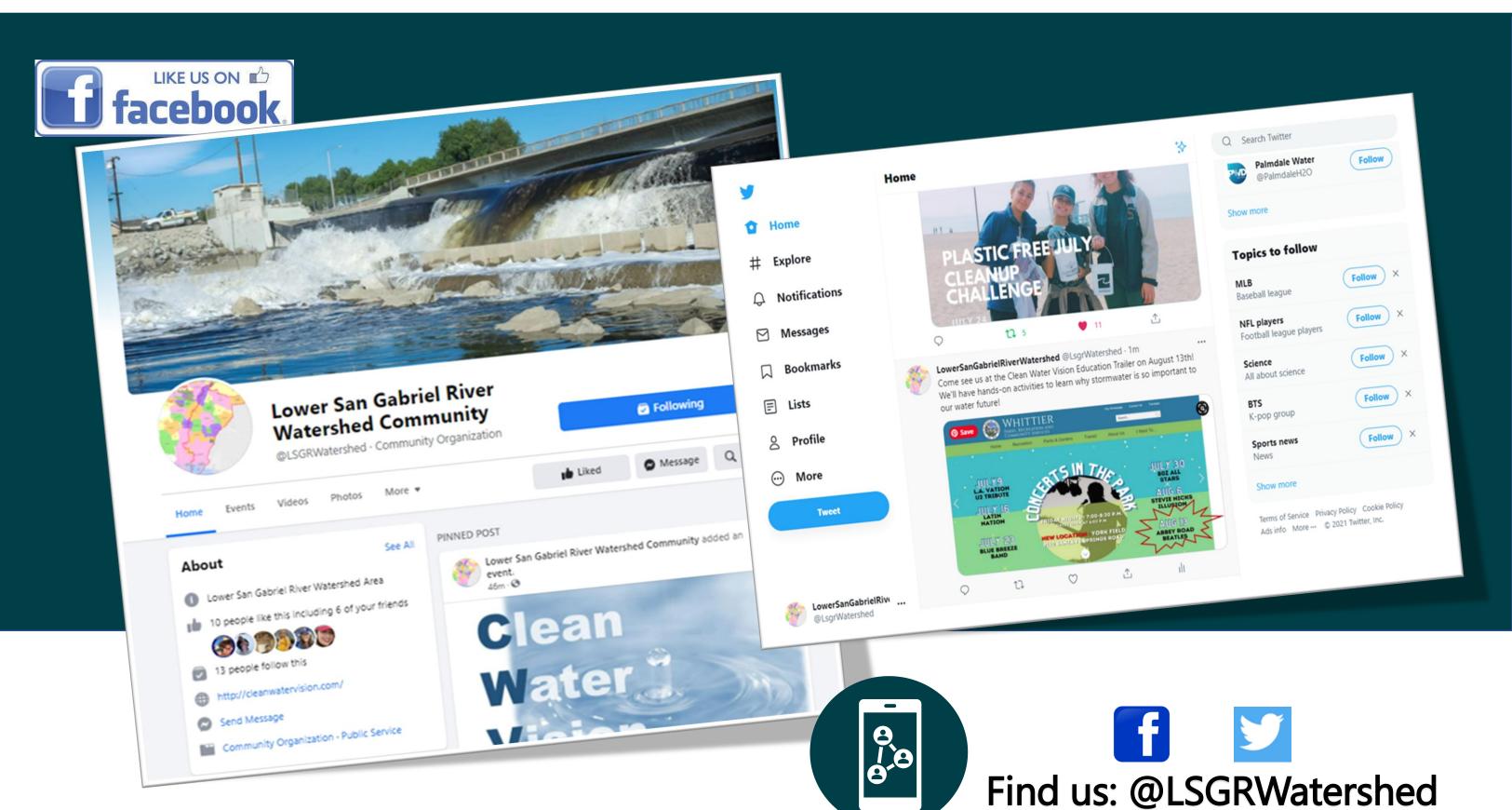
- News updates via email blasts.
- Virtual flyers to invite attendance for in-person and/or virtual meetings.
- Electronic and printed surveys may be used to solicit project participation.







# LSGR WASC – Social Media Outreach



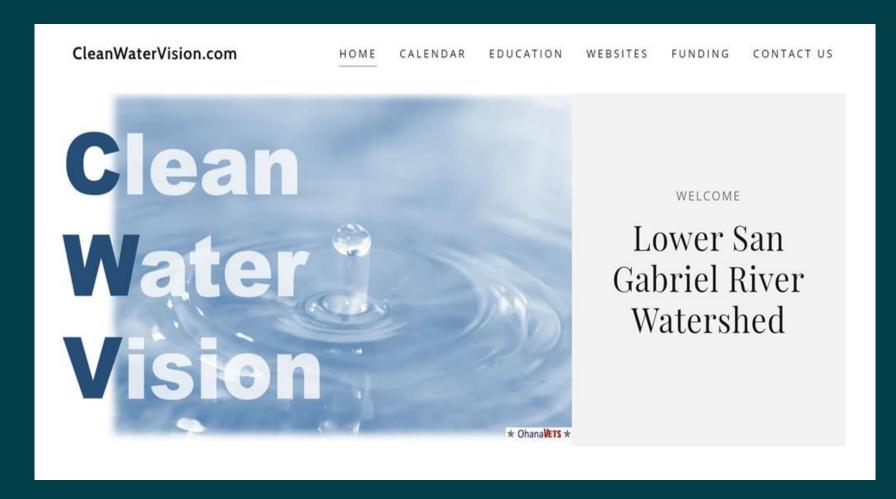




# LSGR WASC - INFORMATION PORTAL

#### **CLEAN WATER VISION**

OhanaVets' Clean Water Vision web site Home Page (<u>CleanWaterVision.com</u>) has been set up to accommodate specific <u>Lower San Gabriel River Watershed information and to work in concert with the Safe Clean Water Programs web site.</u>



Our site does not duplicate information, but rather provides the links to the following information:

- Safe Clean Water Program (SCWP) Home Page
- Lower San Gabriel River Watershed Area of the SCWP
- Lower San Gabriel River Watershed Area list of approved projects







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#### LSGR SOEP – Educational Events

#### **Educational Event - No 1**



August 13, 2021 at 6:00pm

#### **Educational Event - No 2**

Joint LSGR/LLAR educational opportunity at WRD's Al Robles Center in Pico Rivera within 6-9months

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#### Potential Events to Consider...

- Groundwater Festival by WRD at Albert Robles
   Center
- Summer Concert Series (various Cities)
- National Night Out Events at various cities
- Earth Day Events
- Earth Walk (Lakewood)
- Cultural Events (various cities)
- Car Shows (various cities)







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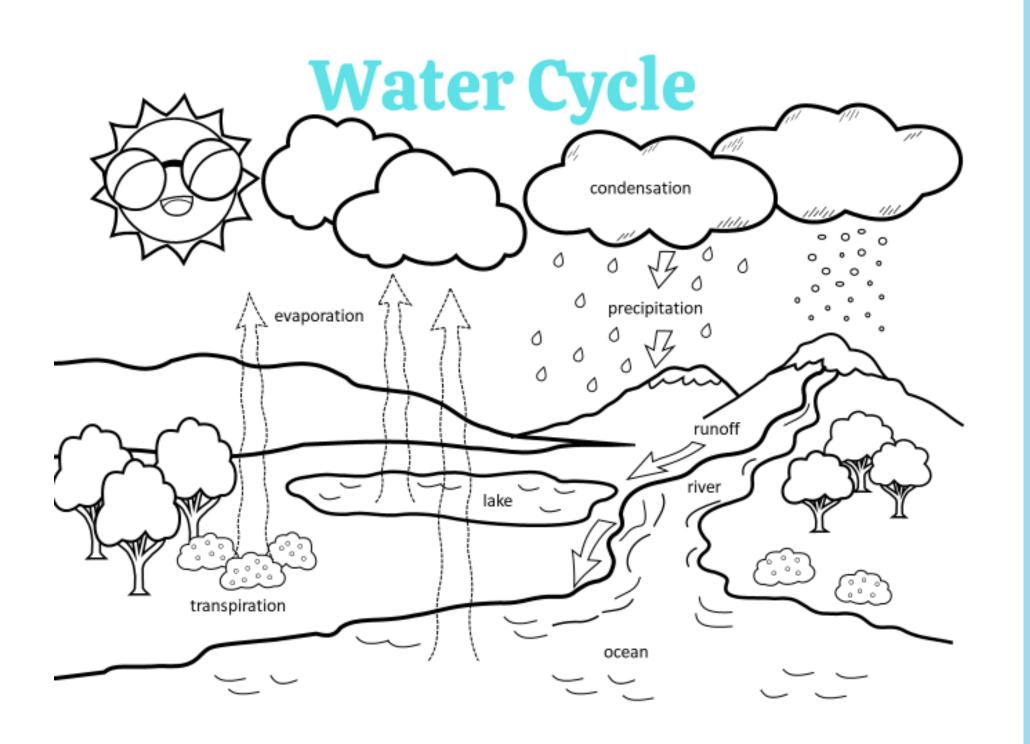


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# LSGR SOEP – EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITY BOOM ABOUT WATERSHED MANAGEMENT, ECOLOGICAL & COMMUNITY ISSUES



Lower San Gabriel River Watershed > Splash > Activity Book **★** Ohana**VETS** ★ Clean Water Vision







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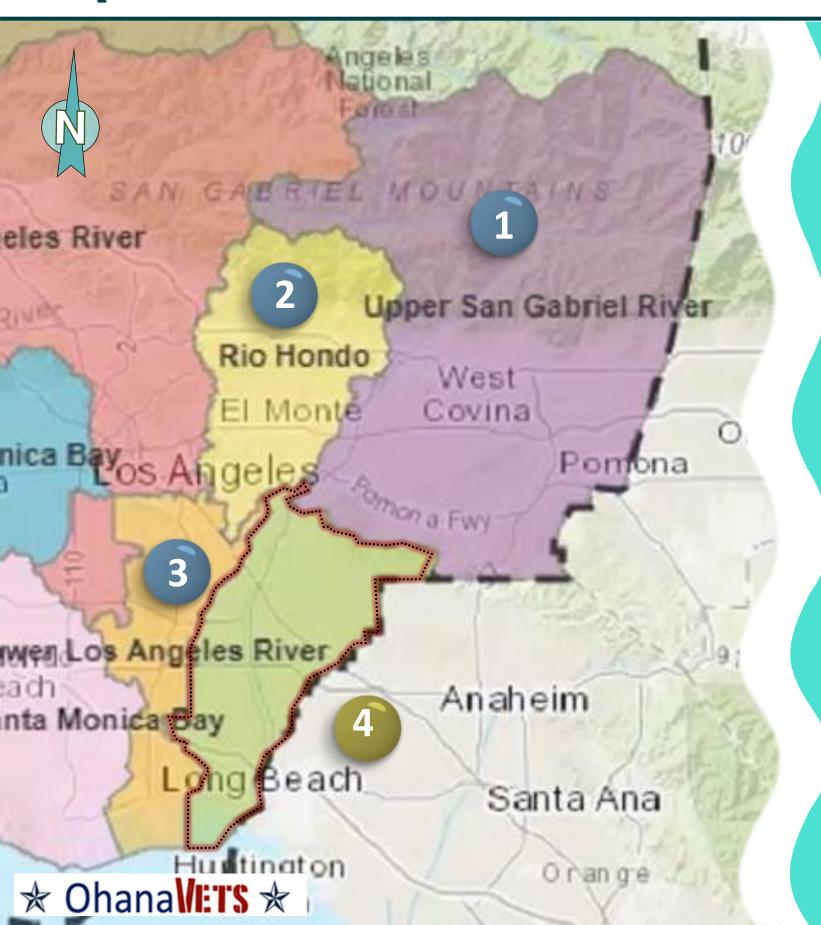


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## LSGR SOEP - NEIGHBORING WATERSHED AREAS



# Watershed Area Coordination:

- 1. Upper San Gabriel River
- 2. Rio Hondo
- 3. Lower Los Angeles River
- 4. Orange County



# LSGR SOEP – Active Tasks Summary

# Utilizing the approved SOEP (v\_July 2021) the Lower San Gabriel Watershed Coordinator will begin the following activities:

- 1. Collaborate with Neighboring Watersheds Share Ideas/Information/Formats/Events
  - ✓ Upper San Gabriel River
  - ✓ Rio Hondo
  - ✓ Lower Los Angeles River
- 2. Begin Stakeholder & Community Outreach and Engagement utilizing the Draft Interested Parties List (v\_August 2021) to solicit input and feedback on the SOEP.
  - ✓ LSGR / LLAR Virtual 1-hour Workshop with identified stakeholders
  - ✓ LSGR / USGR Virtual 1-hour Workshop with identified stakeholders
  - ✓ LSGR / Tree People Event for Disadvantage Communities
- 3. Local Stakeholder Education
  - ✓ Concert in the Park Whitter August 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm





# LSGR SOEP

# QUESTIONS?

