

Historic Equestrian Trail Association of Southern California (HETASC)

FOUR PARCELS KNOWN AS
3701 PACIFIC PLACE AND
FOUR PARCELS KNOWN AS
3916-4021 AMBECO ROAD
ALONG THE LA RIVER

APPELLANT:

Historic Equestrian Trail
Association of Southern
California (HETASC)

PRESENTER:

Renee Lawler

APRIL 13, 2021



UPHOLD THE APPEAL AND PRODUCE AN EIR

- The insufficient review for known stormwater run-off conditions in this vicinity
- The project will increase flood risks to adjacent properties, levees and structures to the west and south
- The need to reject the zoning change to CS with a height variance that is incompatible with the adjacent open space, trail and residential community
- CEQA Class I, Class III, Class V, Class 11 Guidelines have not been addressed with the MND

THE RESULT OF WATER RUN-OFF



Run-off at Toe of Levee



LA River Levee Run-off



Typical Flooding Scenario



Horse Drinking Toxic Water
from Run-off

STORMWATER RUN-OFF



Sub Watershed Overland Run-off
Wrigley Greenbelt Dec. 4, 2014



Stormwater Run-off with Colored Toxic
Discharge



Run-off Toe of the Levee and From the
Horse Trail Flowing From the North



Stormwater Run-off with Colored Toxic
Discharge

HYDROLOGICAL & TOPOGRAPHICAL CHANGES

- ✧ DEVELOPING THE PACIFIC PLACE PROJECT WILL ADD CUMULATIVE STORMWATER FLOW USED AS A “RETENTION BASIN”
- ✧ MAJORITY OF WATER FLOWS WEST AGAINST THE LEVEE AND HORSE TRAIL
- ✧ NATURAL SWALE THEN FLOWS NORTH TO SOUTH WHICH CAUSES ADJACENT DOWNSTREAM FLOODING
- ✧ BIOSWALE SYSTEM IS INSUFFICIENT– WILL STILL HAVE RUN-OFF OVER PROPERTY EDGES INTO CULVERTS

ALVIN PAPA, ASSISTANT CITY ENGINEER, CITY OF LONG BEACH – CONNECTION TO STORMWATER INLET DENIAL 05-23-2017 CITY OF LONG BEACH UNDERSIZED STORM DRAINPIPES SINCE 1930s



CITY OF LONG BEACH DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

333 WEST OCEAN BOULEVARD • LONG BEACH, CA 90802 • (562) 570-6383 • FAX (562) 570-6012

May 23, 2017

Mr. Ryan Butler
Civil Engineer
Los Angeles County Public Works
900 South Fremont Avenue
Alhambra, CA 91803

Re: Connection to Storm Water Inlet – Public Equestrian Rest Area

Dear Mr. Butler,

Please be advised that your request to connect to the City of Long Beach storm drain has been denied.

We received your request to connect the proposed 18" ADS HP storm drain pipe into the city's storm water system at the intersection of Spring St. and San Francisco St.

During the recent rains, the City of Long Beach experienced flooding issues in multiple locations due to drainage deficiencies. The main problem is that our storm drain pipes are undersized. After reviewing your project, we found that the 60" main storm drain pipe in which you proposed to connect is undersized, therefore no connection is allowed as this time. (Please see attached exhibit).

However, if we upgrade the pipes later, you may re-submit your application for consideration in the future.

FY 15 Capital Improvement Program (CIP)

Storm Drains Projects

The Storm Water Management Division (SWMD), is a division of Public Works that is responsible for all Storm Water related issues, CIP work and water quality regulations that affect the City. Responsibilities under the SWMD can be categorized in two areas: CIP Improvements and Water Quality Compliance.

The City's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) consists of over 383 miles of storm drain pipes, channels, and ditches, 23 Storm Drain Pump Stations (SDPS), 3,800 catch basin, 5 beach outfalls and miles of street gutters and alleys throughout the City. This infrastructure transports stormwater and non-stormwater runoff water away from residential and business properties that would otherwise result in flooding and severe damage. The City's SDPS have been in service since the 1950s and 60s and are in need of repairs and upgrades. These SDPS have been kept in operation through repeated repair work and necessary upgrades to keep up with storm drain demands. Several miles of the City's storm drain pipe infrastructure have been in service since the 1930s and have become undersized by the demands of the City through years of growth, development and age of the infrastructure. Assessments of the City's SDPS are needed along with a Storm Drain Master Plan to address the undersized and deficient MS4. CIP Improvements are planned and scheduled to address the City's MS4 deficiencies by continuing to design and construct upgrades.

The City's Water Quality Compliance work is conducted through the implementation of its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. This permit is a result of regulations conceived as a result of the Federal Clean Water Act (CWA) and subsequent CWA amendments, all of which were adopted to protect receiving waters such as rivers, lakes, bay areas, beaches and oceans from contamination by preventing pollutants from entering MS4. Recently the City was issued a new NPDES Permit that was adopted by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board on February 6, 2014 and became effective

on March 28, 2014. Starting March 28, 2014 CIP projects will now have to conform with the new NPDES permit.

Project Title	Adopted FY 15
Storm Drain Pump Station Repair & Certification	\$1,000,000
Storm Drain Refurbishment - Telemetry	100,000
Storm Drain System & Water Quality Improvements	450,000
Total Storm Drains Projects	\$1,550,000

LOS ANGELES COUNTY DRAINAGE AREA (LACDA) PROJECT - 1998



- ❖ CREATED TOPOGRAPHICAL AND HYDROLOGICAL CHANGES IN THE SUB-WATERSHED INCLUDING LESS PERMEABLE AREA FOR ABSORPTION, INCREASE VELOCITY AND CONDENSED VOLUMES OF OVERLAND AND LEVEE RUN-OFF

“Drainage Pinches Horse Haven”

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Press Telegram
August 10,
1998
(Natalie Shore)

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Troy Jackson works the horse, Buttermilk, above, as kids watch. The property, behind San Francisco Avenue next to the Los Angeles River, provides a friendly environment, as does that owned by brother and sister Michael and Renee Lawler, below, who stand before their stalls on San Francisco, while their neighbor, Harry Neely, 5, pets their dogs.

Leo Hetzel / Press-Telegram

Drainage pinches horse haven

Flood control: Rural setting within the city upset by \$240-million beef-up along channel.

By Natalie Shore
Staff writer

LONG BEACH — On the west side of a single city block in the heart of the Wrigley district is a neighborhood unlike any other in Long Beach.

It is a rural island where homeowner Harry Neely's four

children roam freely amid chickens, ducks and rabbits. And, best of all, it is a place where Neely and others who love horses can keep them.

"I look at the stars and say, 'I must be in heaven.'"

But Neely's heaven is on a collision course with the urban realities of flood control in Southeast Los Angeles County.

A \$240-million project to beef up the channel system along local rivers is cutting into the open space between the Los

PLEASE SEE HAVEN / A5



WATERSHED APPROACH

- ❖ TITLE 33 - FEDERALLY MANDATED FLOOD CONTROL REGULATIONS OF NAVIGATION AND NAVIGABLE WATERS
- ❖ 1999 MAINTENANCE & USE AGREEMENT
- ❖ BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICE (BMP'S)
 - ❖ CITY FAILED TO COMPLY WITH LACFCD REQUEST FOR STORM DRAIN TIE IN TO MITIGATE FLOODING
- ❖ NON-POINT SOURCE

CULTURAL & HISTORICAL RESOURCES

- ❖ 1947 DEDICATION
- ❖ SCENIC/AESTHETIC TRAIL
- ❖ ADJACENT & NOT MENTIONED
- ❖ ADDED CROSSINGS – CUMULATIVE NEGATIVE
- ❖ BUILDING OVERALL HEIGHT NON-
CONFORMING WITH TRAIL
- ❖ INSUFFICIENT BUFFER

COASTAL CONSERVANCY LETTER OF SUPPORT (07-22-2013) DAVID HAYES FOR OPEN SPACE AND EQUESTRIANS IN WRIGLEY



Lucero watching the water
flow by



National Park Service
Community Assistance Grant
Los Angeles, California 90065
570 W. Ave. 26
Suite 175

July 22, 2013

SUBJECT: Letter of Support

Dear Park Service:

I support the Wrigley equestrian community located on the Los Angeles River Regional Equestrian trail the southern point of Los Angeles County, City of Long Beach, in their effort to acquire grant assistance via the National Parks System, Rivers, and Trails & Conservation Assistance.

The critical needs of the Wrigley Equestrian HOA relationship to the existing greenbelt/right of way and associated/adjacent regional trail and incorporate those findings into the Wrigley Greenbelt demonstration project plans to ensure survival of the equestrian community are met in complement with proposed multi-use urban plans.

As part of the NPS assistance, a broader regional need could be addressed, by reviewing the entire network of regional trails in the lower Los Angeles River area with a goal of enhancing equestrian resources for future generations of the public to enjoy. At this time, there are no other resources that would take a regional perspective. This request is consistent with the excellent work performed by NPS, MaLisa Martin for the City of Compton. Without her work, the diminishing recreational conditions of other equestrian communities located in urbanized areas, would not have come to the attention of other regional agencies or the Coastal Conservancy. This proposed work could be the corner stone for a needed comprehensive approach to recreational projects that preserves open space resources for a wide variety of outdoor experiences, particularly in park poor communities.

A NPS service grant would be the timeliest effort to develop broad base local support, critical to the survival of this established and historic lifestyle, particularly in urban settings such as Long Beach/Compton/Los Angeles where there are plans for integrating multi-users within existing equestrian regional trails and communities such as Wrigley.

Sincerely,
David Hayes
Project Manager,
Coastal Conservancy

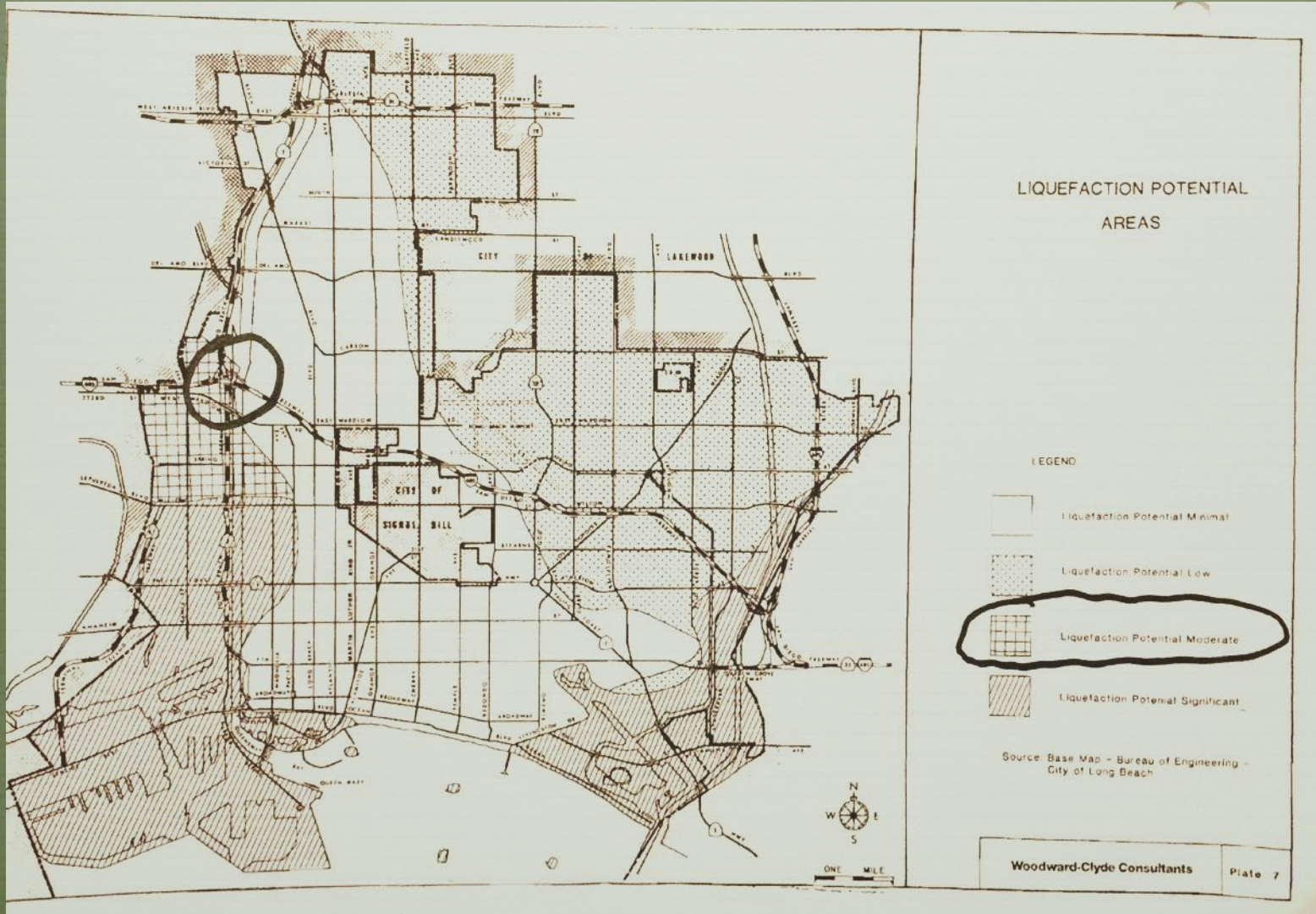
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1947 HISTORICAL EQUESTRIAN TRAIL MAP

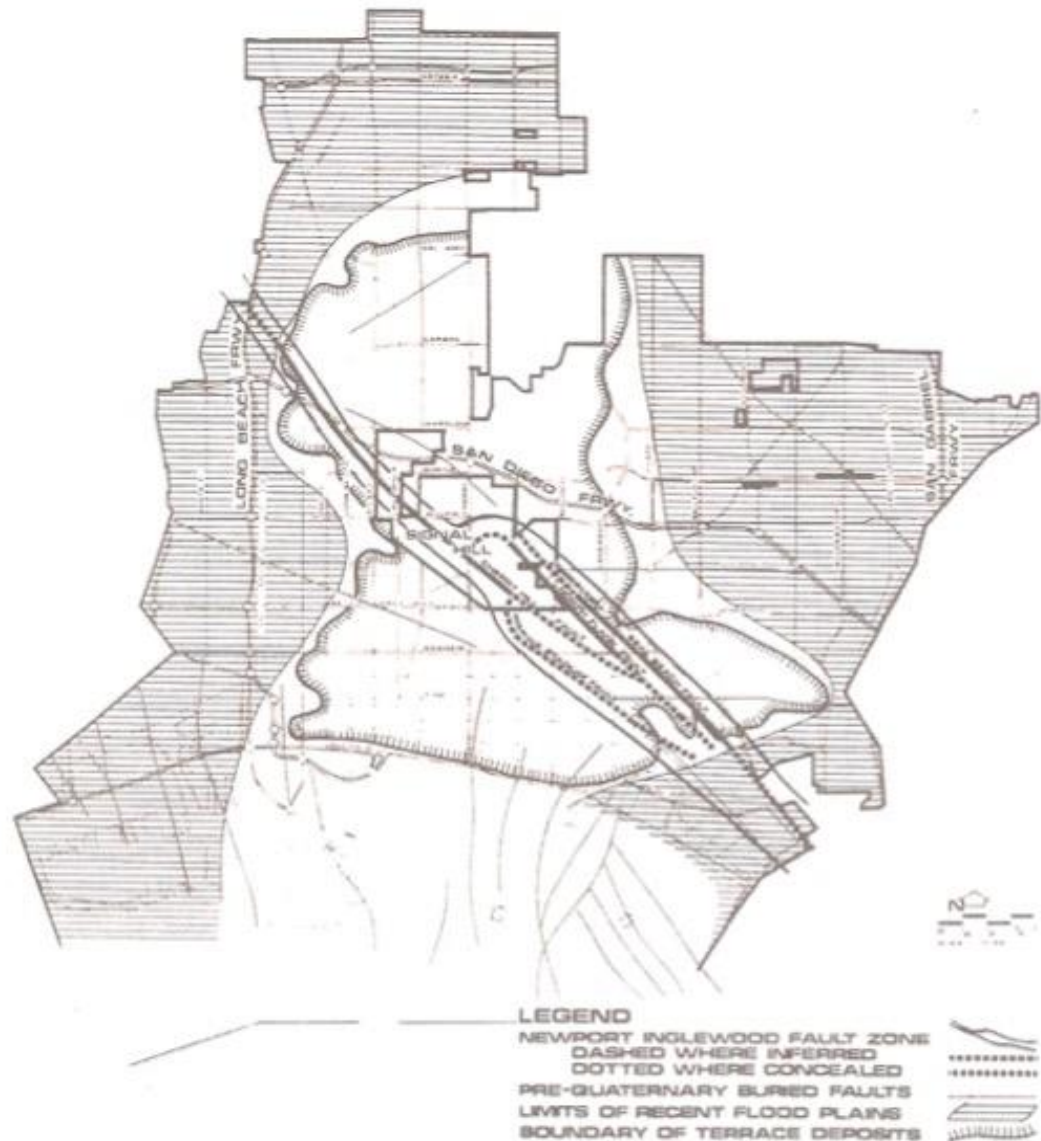
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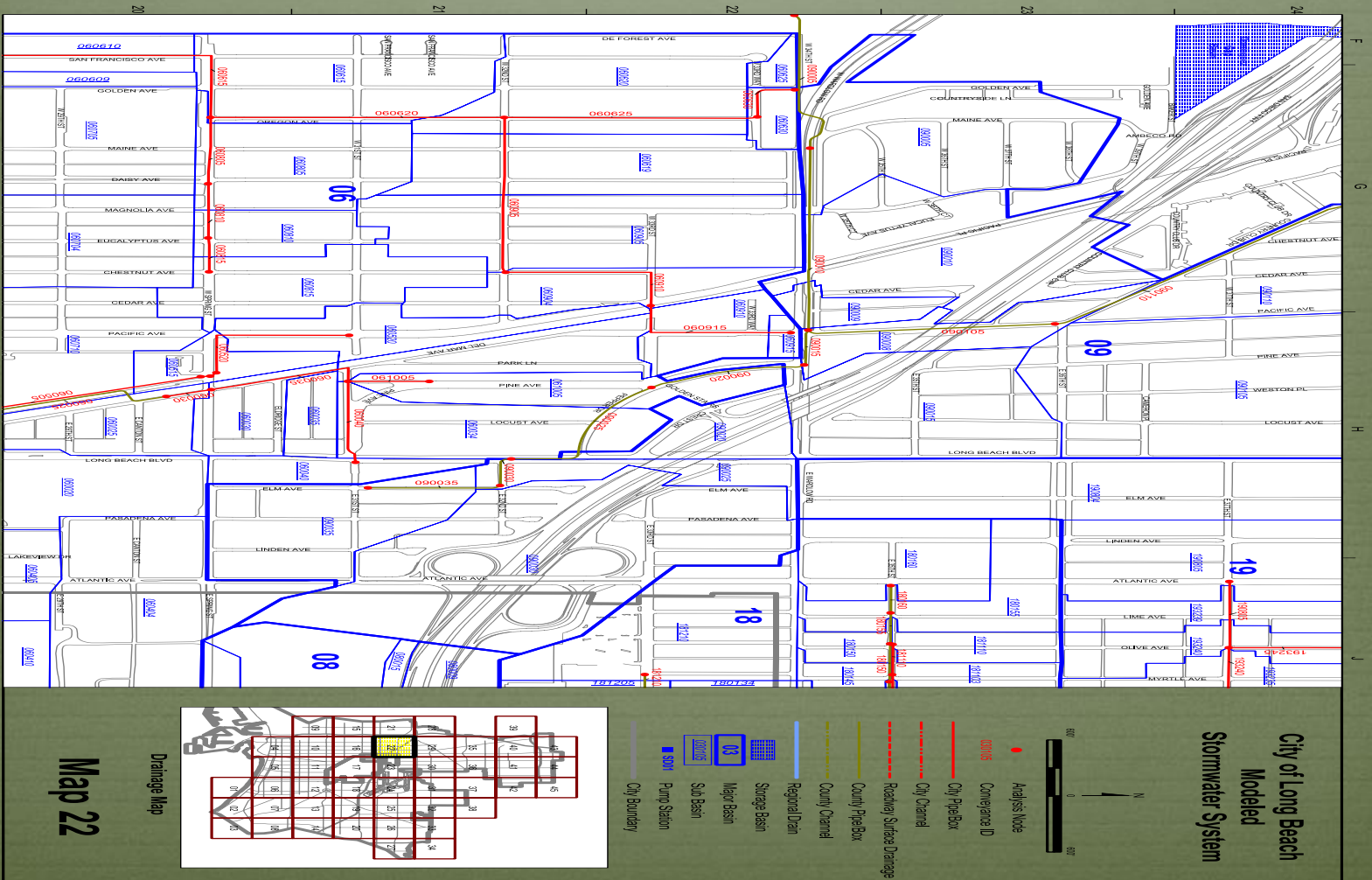
FAULT MAP OF LONG BEACH (PLATE 10)



FAULT MAP OF LONG BEACH

PLATE 10

CITY OF LONG BEACH STORMWATER SYSTEM DRAINAGE MAP #22



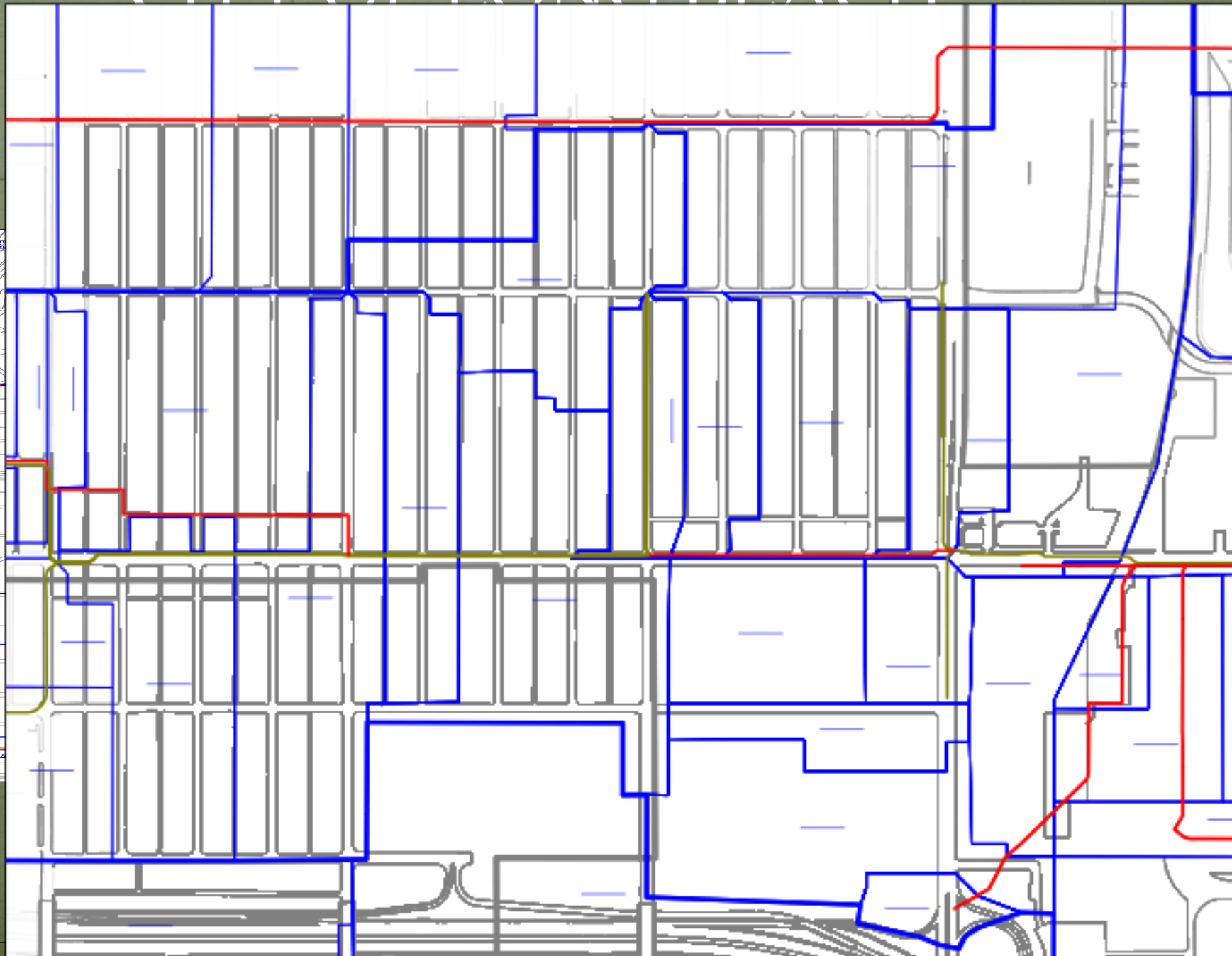
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Map 22

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Storm Drain at Del Mar Ave. and San Antonio Dr.
*West of Los Cerritos Park
*East of Pacific Place Project