

**TO THE COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LOS ANGELES**

Your

AD HOC RIVER COMMITTEE

reports as follows:

AD HOC RIVER COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the establishment of Recreational Zones along the Los Angeles River in coordination with County agencies and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Reyes – Perry – Garcetti – Cardenas – LaBonge – Huizar):

1. DIRECT the City Administrative Officer in consultation with the Chief Legislative Analyst, Bureau of Sanitation, Bureau of Engineering, Bureau of Street Services, and Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, to report with near term recommendations for establishing recreational zones along the Los Angeles River in coordination with County agencies and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
2. SUPPORT the Recreational Zone Pilot Program concept and the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) management of the program contingent upon Los Angeles (LA) County and other public agencies approvals as recommended in the letter from the Department of Recreation and Parks (attached to the Council file).
3. RECOMMEND that dogs be prohibited in the recreational zone which is defined as the river bed below the LA River's Ordinary High Water Mark. However, dogs, on a leash, are allowed on the path along the River and in the adjacent river parks
4. REQUEST the MRCA to work with Council District (CD) One, CD Four, and CD 13 to create a community advisory committee to review and advise on policies and efforts for this pilot program. Committee representatives should represent the pilot program's target area.
5. SUBMIT to the City Attorney, all project information received for review and opinion.
6. INSTRUCT all City departments including City Planning, Department of Recreation and Parks, Transportation, Bureau of Sanitation, Bureau of Engineering, Los Angeles Police Department, and Department of Water and Power to provide assistance in expediting any request for the implementation of this pilot program.
7. REQUEST the MRCA to rework parking on Fletcher in collaboration with CD Four and CD 13 as it relates to unloading equipment for recreational use during the pilot program.
8. REQUEST the MRCA to come back to the Ad Hoc River Committee with an evaluation at the end of the pilot program.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis on this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(The Energy and Environment and Public Works Committees waived consideration of this matter.)

Summary:

On February 25, 2013, your Committee considered Motion (Reyes – Perry – Garcetti – Cardenas – LaBonge – Huizar) relative to the establishment of Recreational Zones along the Los Angeles River in coordination with County agencies and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Representative from the Department of Recreation and Parks gave a presentation and answered various questions from the committee members. After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended that Council approve the Motion and the additional recommendations as reflected in this report. This matter is now submitted to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

AD HOC RIVER COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
REYES:	YES
LABONGE:	YES
HUIZAR:	ABSENT

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