Head works

where Griffith Park's urban wilderness meets the LA River

Restoration Park:

November 14, 2026

COMMUNITY WORKSHOP 02

LA DWP Los Angeles Department of Water & Power

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Welcome!

¡Bienvenido!



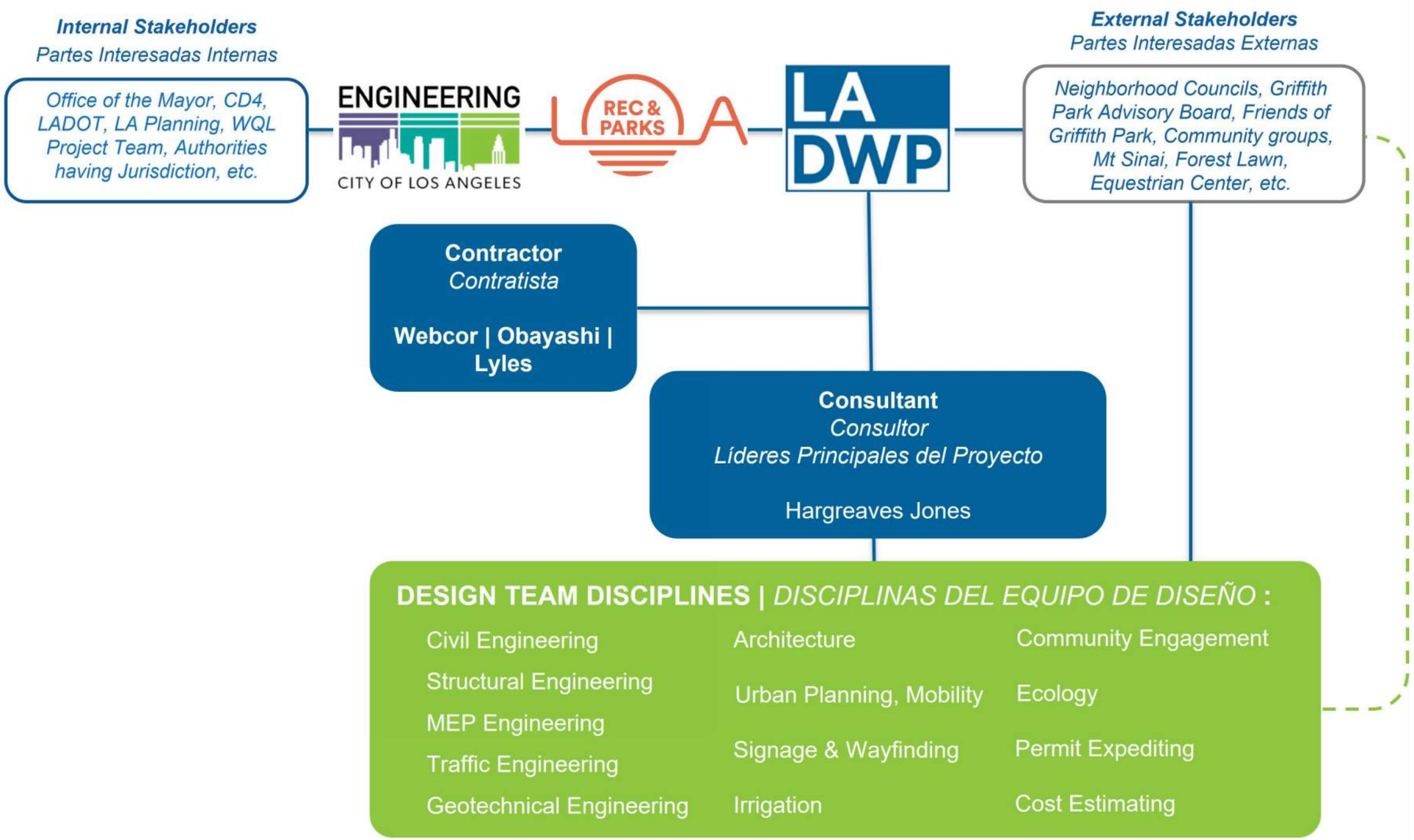
WHY WE ARE HERE TODAY…

POR QUÉ ESTAMOS AQUÍ HOY…

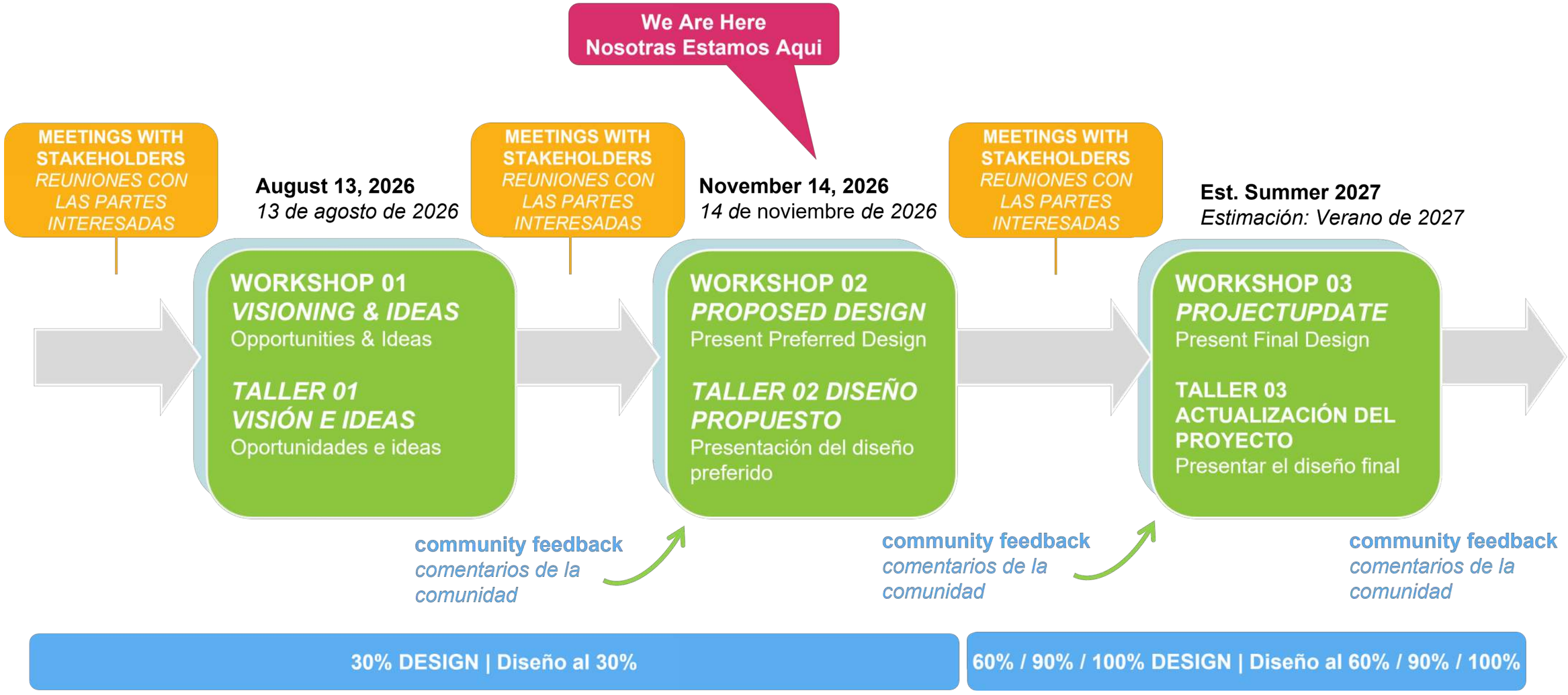
Agenda | Orden del día

1. **Presentation** / *Presentación* (20 min)
   Team & Schedule / *Equipo y Calendario*
   Project Recap / *Resumen del Proyecto*
   Design Process / *Proceso de Diseño*
   Design Update / *Actualización del Diseño*
2. **Table Sessions** / *Sesiones de Mesa* (35 min)
3. **Report Back** / *Rendir Cuentas* (20 min)
4. **Next Steps** / *Próximos Pasos*

Project Team | Equipo del Proyecto



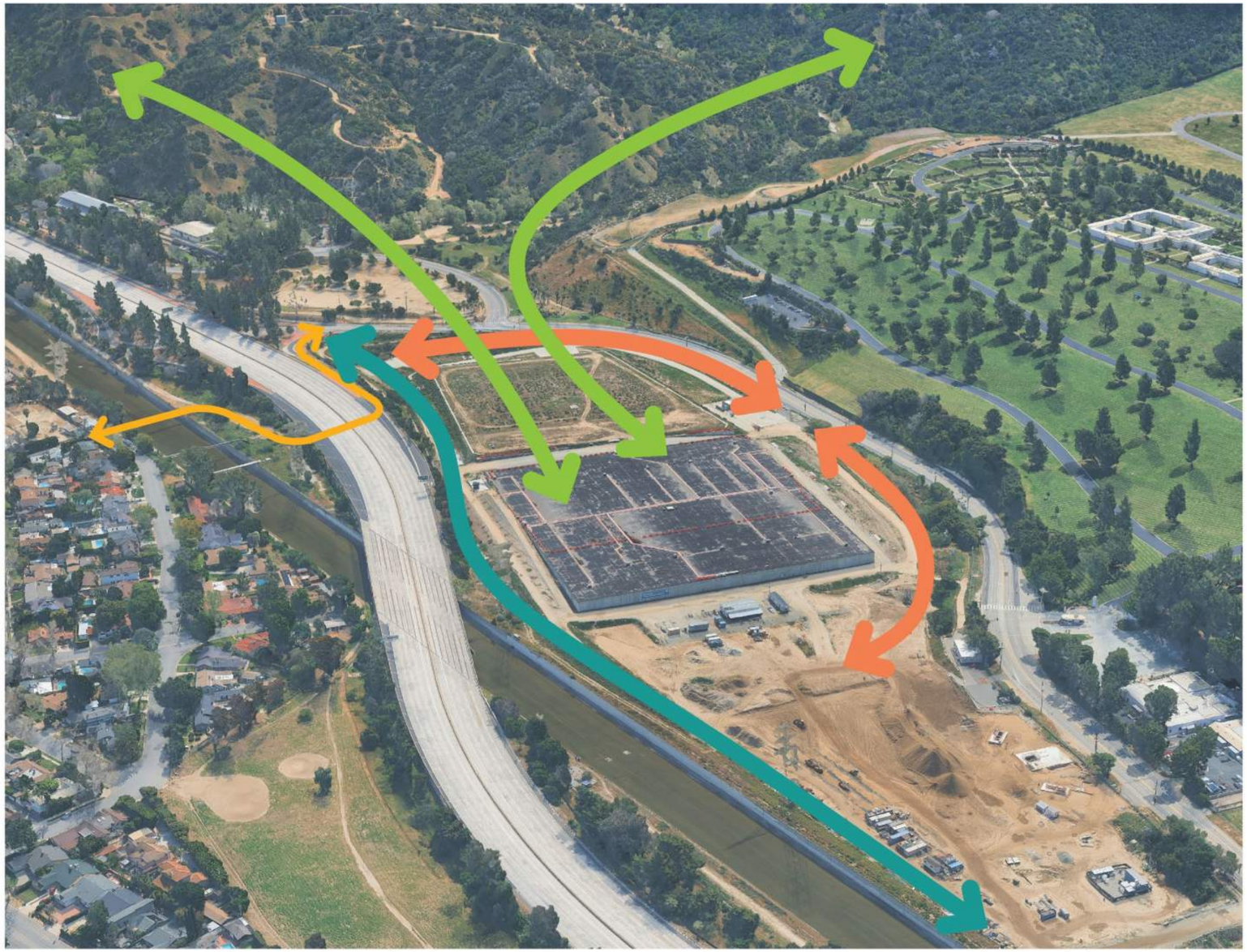
Community Engagement Schedule | *Calendario de Participación Comunitaria*



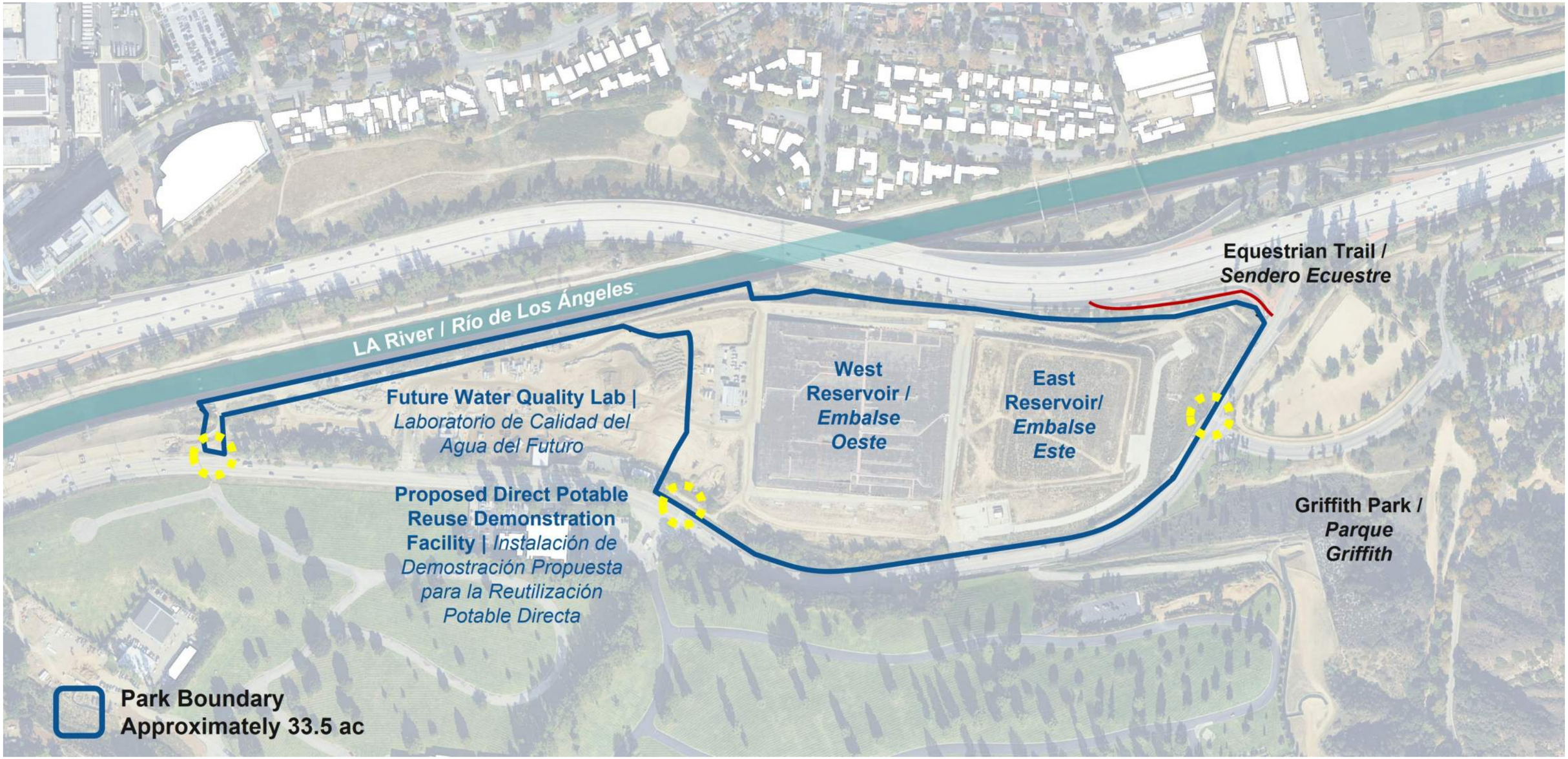
Why This Place Matters | *Por Qué Este Lugar es Importante*

Create a landmark park befitting of its location surrounded by mountains at the confluence of LA, Burbank, Griffith Park and the Los Angeles River that:
Crear un parque emblemático que refleje la importancia de su ubicación, rodeado de montañas y en la confluencia de Los Ángeles, Burbank, Griffith Park y el Río Los Ángeles, que:

- Restores habitats
  Restaura hábitats
- Inspires passive recreation
  Inspira la recreación pasiva
- Reveals the story of LA's water system
  Revela la historia del sistema de agua de LA



Project Boundary | *Límite del Proyecto*



What We've Learned | *Lo Que Hemos Aprendido*

Permitted Facilities & Uses (CEQA 2024):

Park Classification | *Clasificación*

- Community Nature Park, Greenway | *Parque Natural Comunitario*

Program – Permitted | *Programa – Permitido*

- Pavilion (restrooms) | *Pabellones (Baños)*
- Parking & drop-off | *Aparcamiento*
- Pedestrian & bicycle paths | *Senderos Peatonales y Ciclovías*
- Habitat restoration | *Restauración del Hábitat*
- Shade structures | *Estructuras de sombra*
- Nature playground | *Parque infantil natural*

Proposed Operations & Security | *Operaciones y Seguridad Propuestas*

- Dawn to dusk, 7 days a week | *Desde el amanecer hasta el anochecer, 7 días a la semana*

Park Classification | *Clasificación de Los Parques*

- Community Park, Neighborhood Park | *Parque Comunitario*

Program – Not Permitted | *Programa – No Permitido*

- Recreation Center | *Centro Recreativo*
- Sports Fields & Courts | *Campos y Canchas Deportivas*
- Playgrounds | *Parques Infantiles*
- Amphitheater | *Anfiteatro*

Operations & Security | *Operaciones y Seguridad*

- Uncontrolled access after hours | *Acceso no controlado fuera del horario de operación*

Not Part of Project | *No Forma Parte del Proyecto*

- Improvements to Forest Lawn Drive
- Bridges across the river

Design Process | *Proceso de Diseño*

Public Process | *Proceso público*

Community Workshop #1 – Design Ideas

Date: August 13, 6:30-8:00pm
Attendees: 50 participants

Fecha: 13 de agosto, 18:30 – 20:00 h
Asistencia: aprox. 50 personas









What We Heard | *Lo que escuchamos*



HEADWORKS RESTORATION PARK — COMMUNITY WORKSHOP #1

01: WHAT ACTIVITIES AND USES WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE AT THE PARK?

These elements and activities are conceptual only. Final park design must be compatible with Reservoir Operations.

Choose 3 preferred activities in each of the FIVE categories:

1. NATURE / BEAUTY
- Birdwatching
- Enjoying Nature
- Habitat Restoration
- Sunset Viewing
- Stormwater/Bioswale
- Interpretive Water Element
- Water Conservation Gardens
- NONE OF THE ABOVE
- Other: _____

2. EDUCATION
- Birdwatching Classes
- Guided Tours
- Interpretive Signage
- Environmental Classes
- Youth/School Programs
- NONE OF THE ABOVE
- Other: _____

3. AMENITIES
- Bike Parking
- Shade Structures/Pavilions
- Interactive Features/Porch Swings
- Ride Share Drop-Off/Pick-Up
- Restrooms
- Security
- Scenic Overlooks
- Bike Share
- Water Stations
- Benches
- Park Ranger
- NONE OF THE ABOVE
- Other: _____

4. SOCIAL / GATHER / EAT
- Family Gatherings
- Outdoor Birthdays
- Picnics
- Volunteer Programs
- Local Farmers Markets
- Seniors Classes
- NONE OF THE ABOVE
- Other: _____

To be on our project mailing list & keep up-to-date on this project, sign up below

Name: _____

E-mail: _____

6. HEALTH / WELLNESS
- Cycling
- Nature Playground
- Cloud Watching
- Tai Chi / Yoga
- Exercise Circuit
- Running / Jogging
- Relaxing / Finding Peace
- Chess / Checkers
- Kite Flying
- Sitting
- Sunning
- Misting Poles / Cooling
- NONE OF THE ABOVE
- Other: _____

THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING!

SCAN TO FILL OUT THE QUESTIONNAIRE ONLINE

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ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

02 What is your favorite park in Los Angeles? Or anywhere? And why?

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03 What one word best describes what you think this park should be or feel like?

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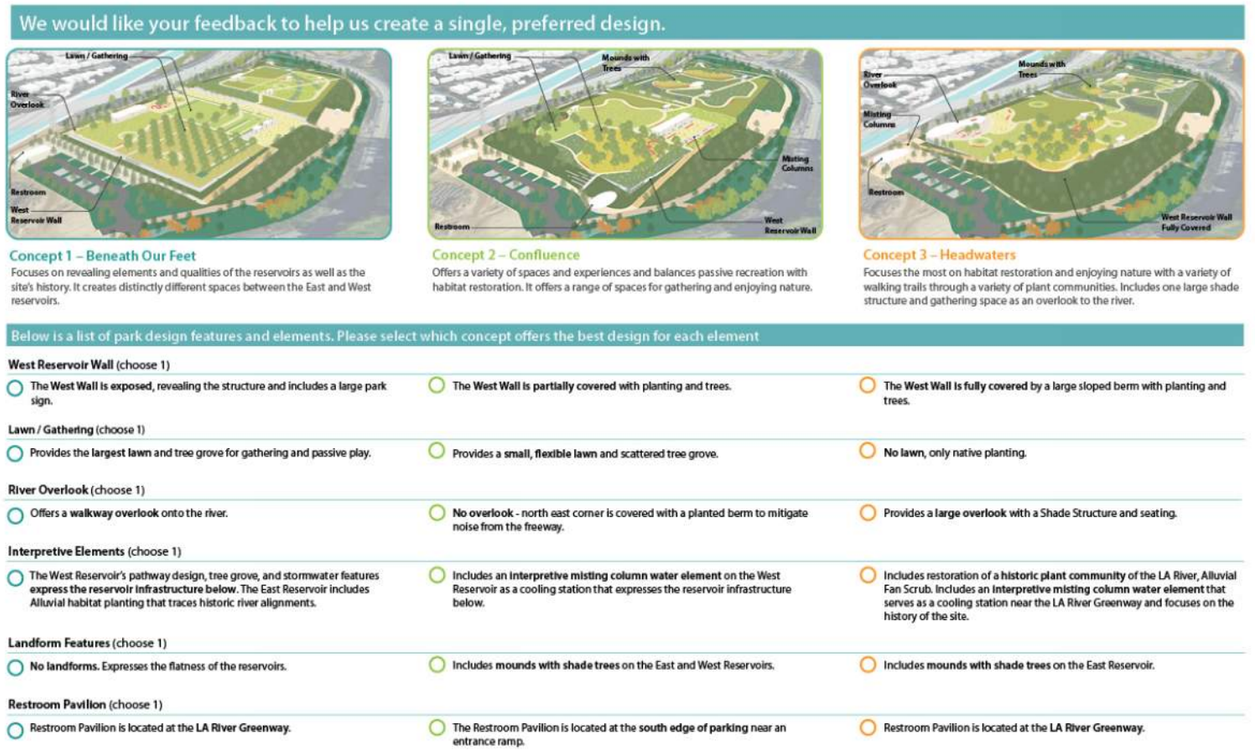
04 How do you currently access the River?
- ☐ Personal vehicle
- ☐ Public Transit
- ☐ Bike
- ☐ Skateboard
- ☐ Walk
- ☐ Run
- ☐ Rideshare
- ☐ Other: _____

05 Who do you bring with you to the Park?
- ☐ Children
- ☐ Parents
- ☐ Other: _____
- ☐ Friends
- ☐ Dogs

06 What is your Zipcode: _____

07 What neighborhood are you from?
- ☐ Hollywood
- ☐ Los Feliz
- ☐ Silver Lake
- ☐ Atwater Village
- ☐ Other: _____
- ☐ Glassell Park
- ☐ Burbank
- ☐ Studio City
- ☐ Universal City

08 Your age
- ☐ Under 18
- ☐ 19-25
- ☐ 26-35
- ☐ 36-45
- ☐ 46-55
- ☐ 56-65
- ☐ 66+



We would like your feedback to help us create a single, preferred design.

Concept 1 – Beneath Our Feet

Focuses on revealing elements and qualities of the reservoirs as well as the site's history. It creates distinctly different spaces between the East and West reservoirs.

Concept 2 – Confluence

Offers a variety of spaces and experiences and balances passive recreation with habitat restoration. It offers a range of spaces for gathering and enjoying nature.

Concept 3 – Headwaters

Focuses the most on habitat restoration and enjoying nature with a variety of walking trails through a variety of plant communities. Includes one large shade structure and gathering space as an overlook to the river.

Below is a list of park design features and elements. Please select which concept offers the best design for each element

West Reservoir Wall (choose 1)
- ○ The **West Wall is exposed**, revealing the structure and includes a large park sign.
- ○ The **West Wall is partially covered** with planting and trees.
- ○ The **West Wall is fully covered** by a large sloped berm with planting and trees.

Lawn / Gathering (choose 1)
- ○ Provides the **largest lawn** and tree grove for gathering and passive play.
- ○ Provides a **small, flexible lawn** and scattered tree grove.
- ○ **No lawn**, only native planting.

River Overlook (choose 1)
- ○ Offers a **walkway overlook** onto the river.
- ○ **No overlook** - north east corner is covered with a planted berm to mitigate noise from the freeway.
- ○ Provides a **large overlook** with a Shade Structure and seating.

Interpretive Elements (choose 1)
- ○ The West Reservoir's pathway design, tree grove, and stormwater features **express the reservoir infrastructure below.** The East Reservoir includes Alluvial habitat planting that traces historic river alignments.
- ○ Includes an **interpretive misting column water element** on the West Reservoir as a cooling station that expresses the reservoir infrastructure below.
- ○ Includes restoration of a **historic plant community** of the LA River, Alluvial Fan Scrub. Includes an **interpretive misting column water element** that serves as a cooling station near the LA River Greenway and focuses on the history of the site.

Landform Features (choose 1)
- ○ **No landforms.** Expresses the flatness of the reservoirs.
- ○ Includes **mounds with shade trees** on the East and West Reservoirs.
- ○ Includes **mounds with shade trees** on the East Reservoir.

Restroom Pavilion (choose 1)
- ○ Restroom Pavilion is located at the **LA River Greenway.**
- ○ The Restroom Pavilion is located at the **south edge of parking** near an entrance ramp.
- ○ Restroom Pavilion is located at the **LA River Greenway.**

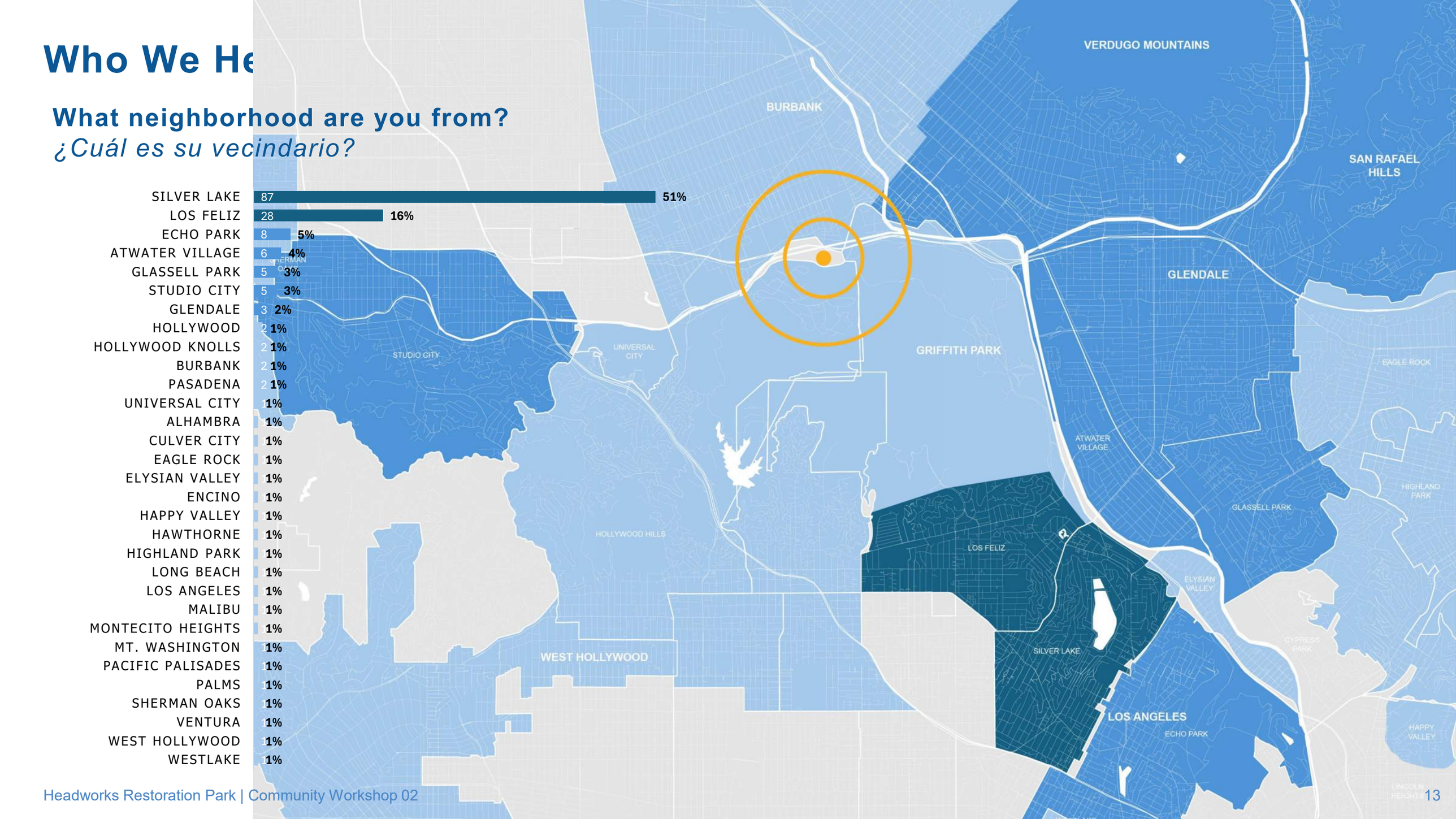
Over 180 questionnaire responses

Más de 180 respuestas al cuestionario

Who We He

What neighborhood are you from?

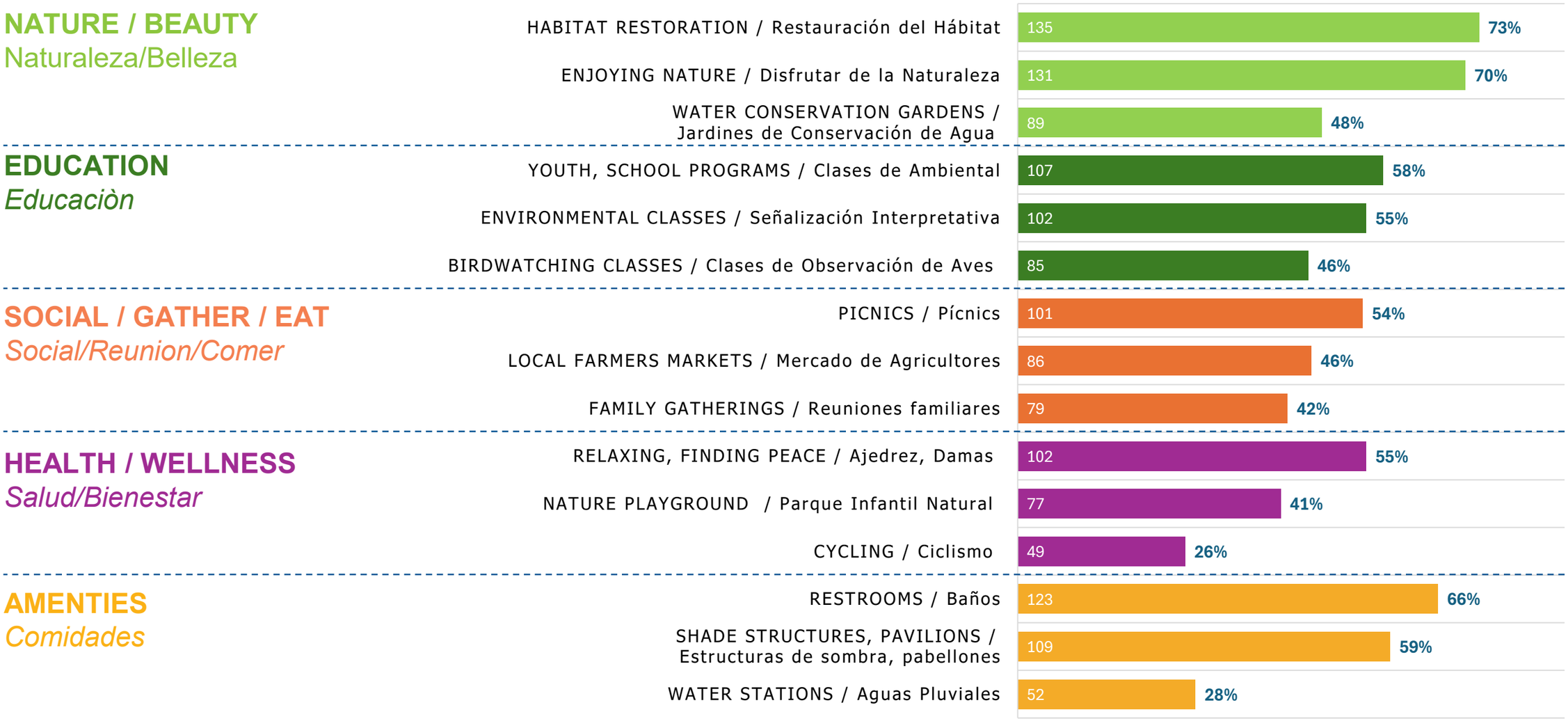
¿Cuál es su vecindario?



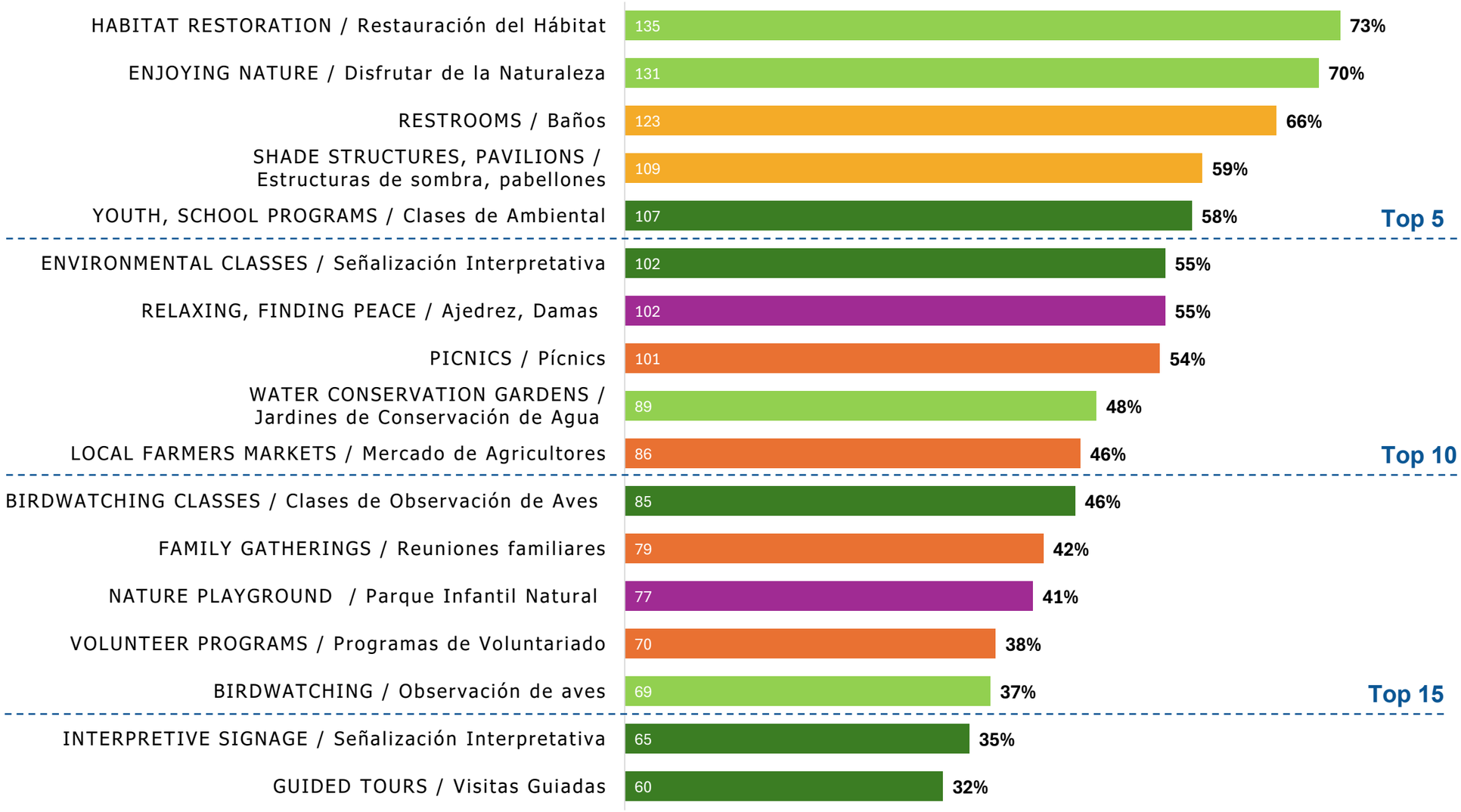
Q. What is your favorite park in Los Angeles? Or anywhere? And why? *Q. ¿Cual es tu parque favorito en Los Angeles? En Cualquier Lugar? Por que?*



Top 3 each category | *Los 3 mejores de cada categoría*



Top 5 Overall | *Los 5 principales en general*



Q. What one word best describes what you think this park should be or feel like? *Q. ¿Qué palabra describe mejor lo que crees que debería ser o sentir este parque?*



Community Workshop 1 Concepts | *Conceptos del Taller Comunitario 1*

Concept 1 **Beneath Our Feet**
Concepto 1 **Bajo nuestros pies**



CELEBRATES the RESERVOIR Structure
CELEBRA la estructura del YACIMIENTO

Concept 2 **Confluence**
Concepto 2 ***Confluencia***



MANY LANDSCAPE experiences
MUCHAS experiencias paisajísticas

Concept 3 **Headwaters**
Concepto 2 ***Cabeceras***



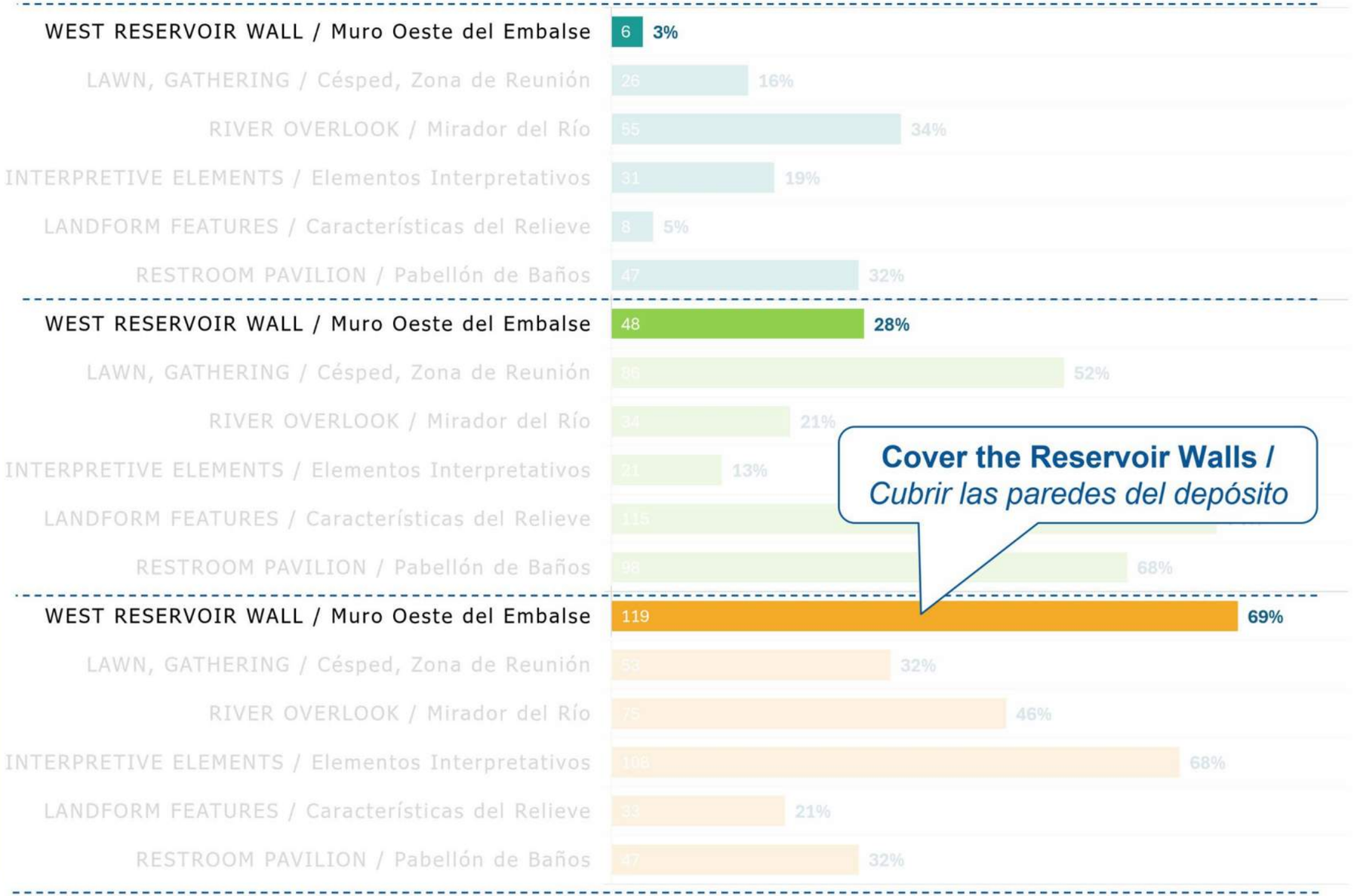
MAXIMIZES HABITAT restoration
Maximiza la restauración del hábitat

What We Heard | *Lo que escuchamos*







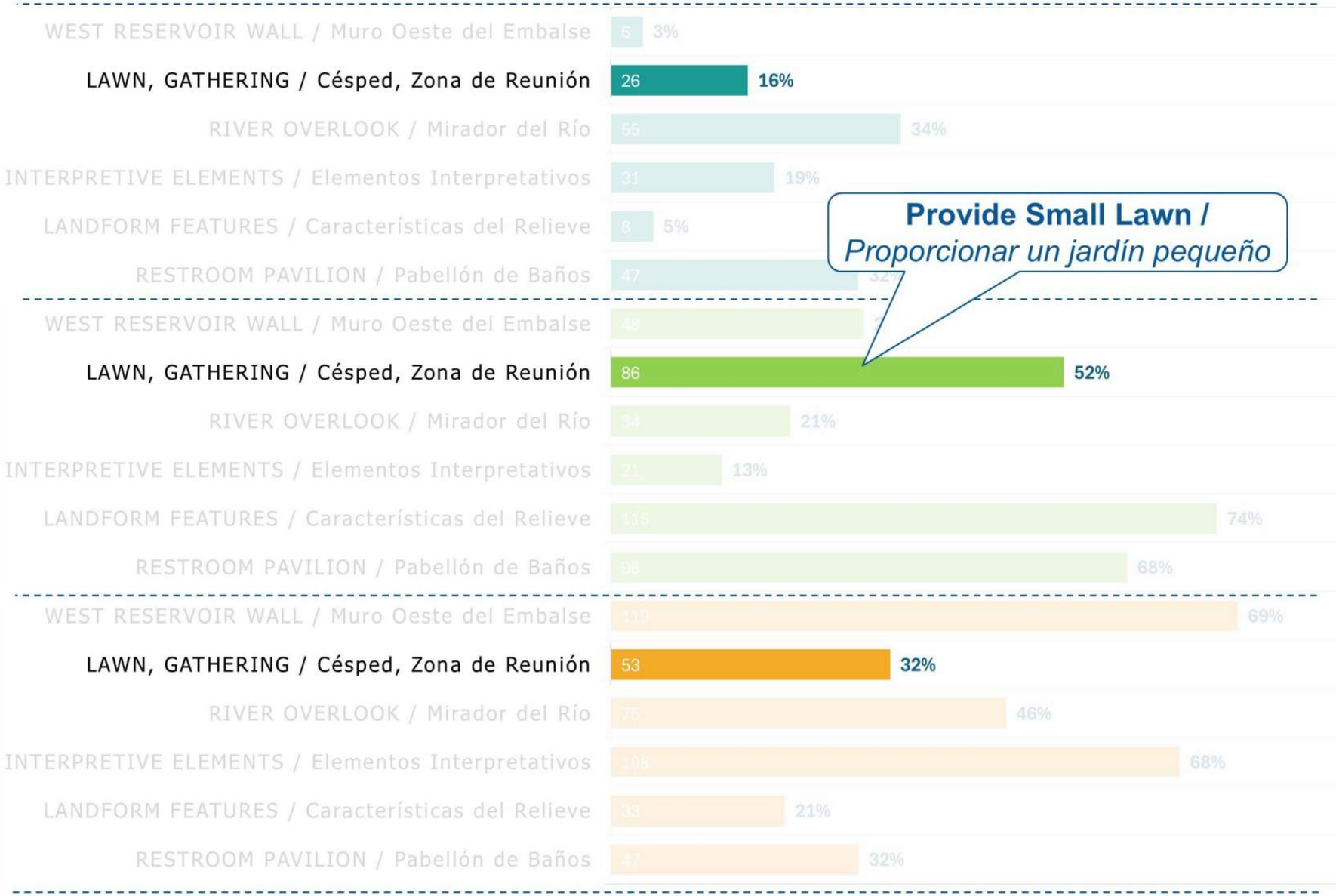


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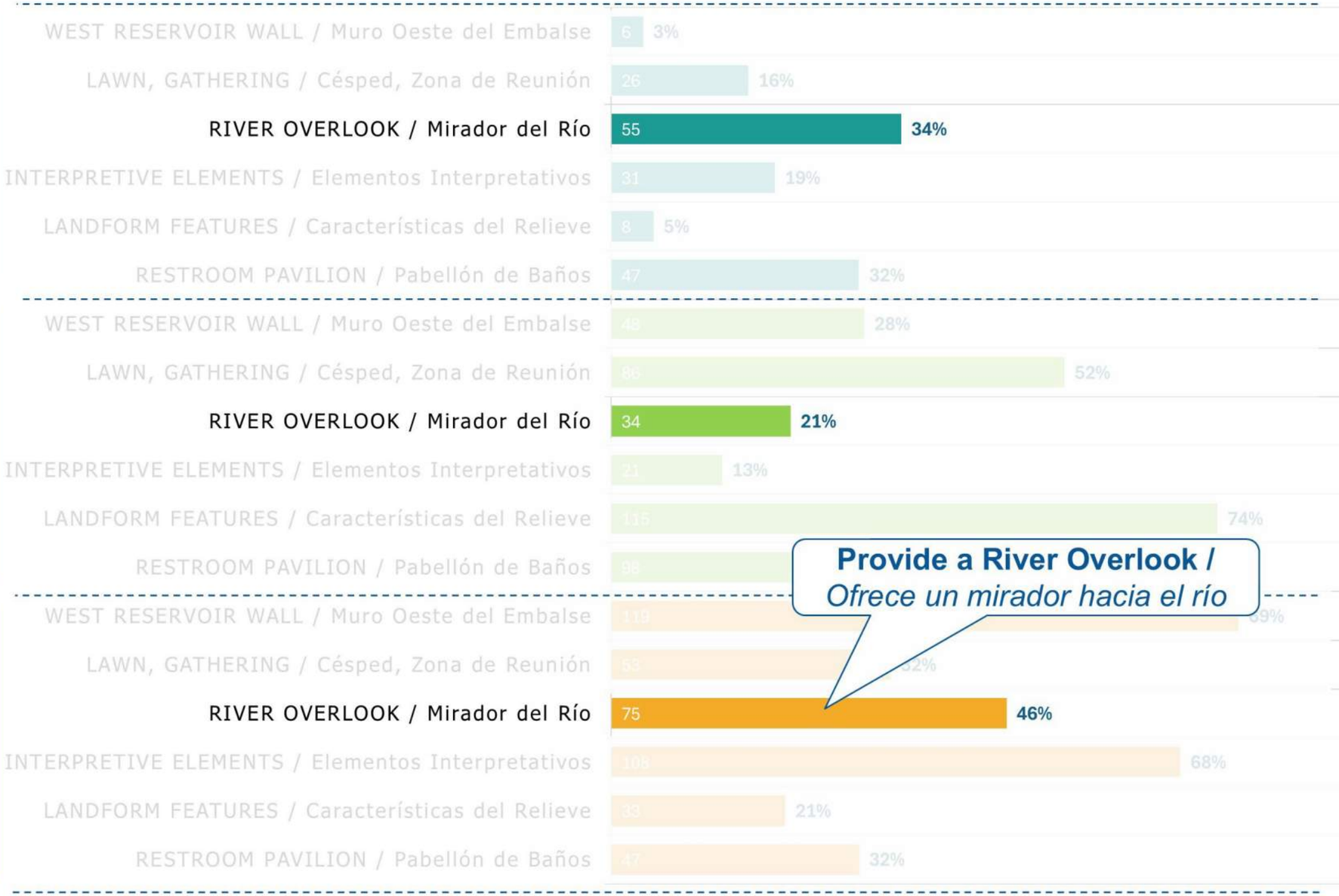


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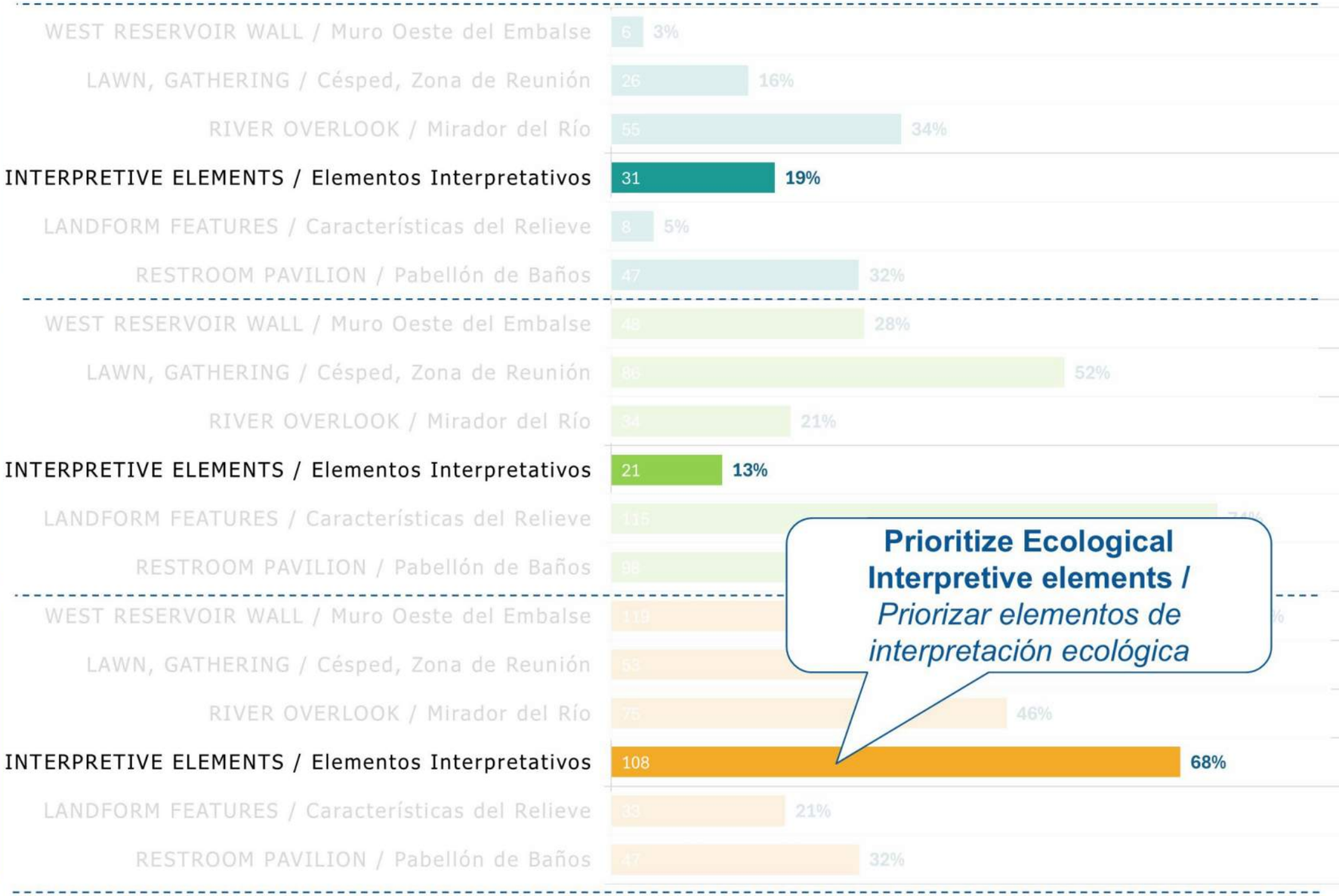


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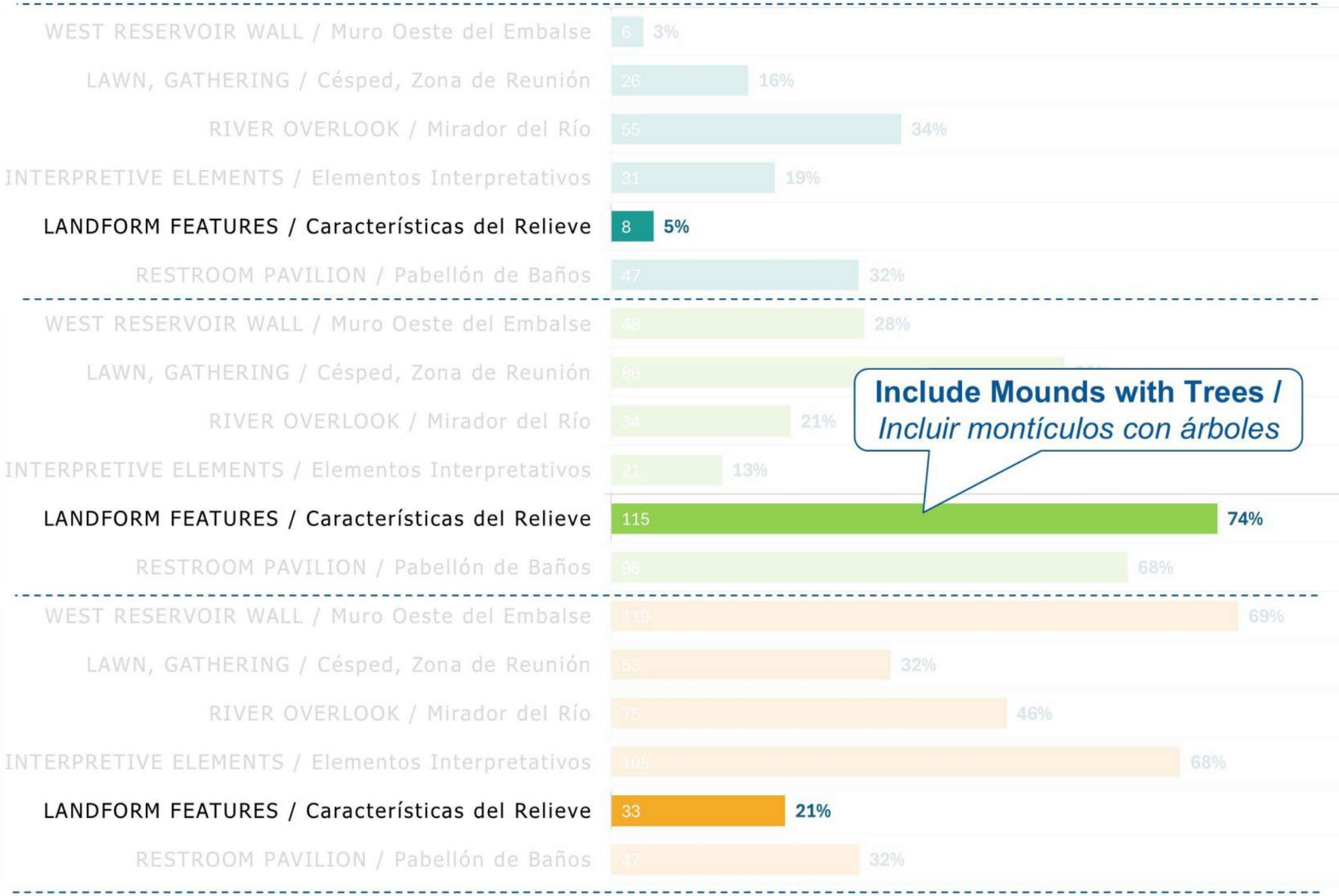


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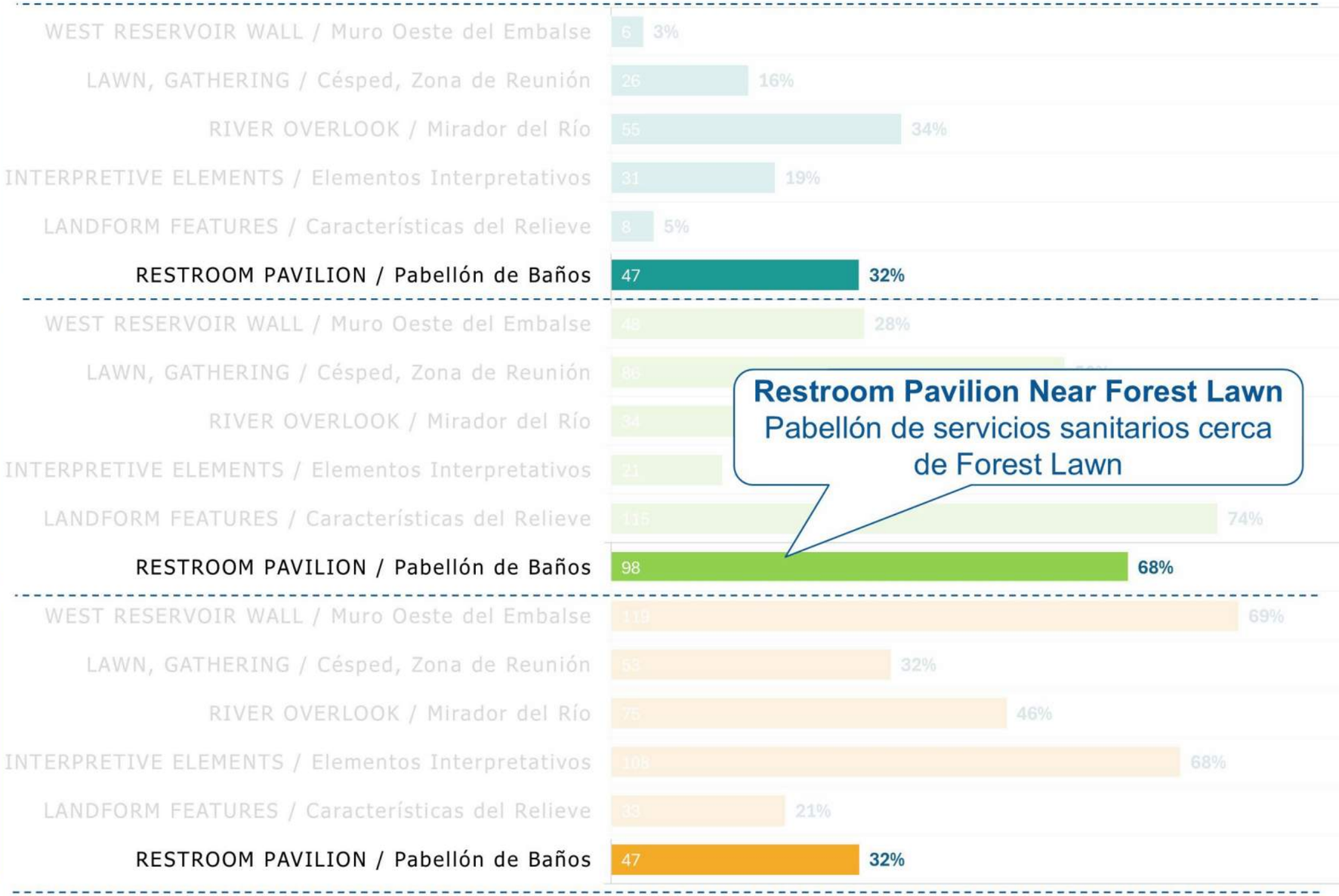


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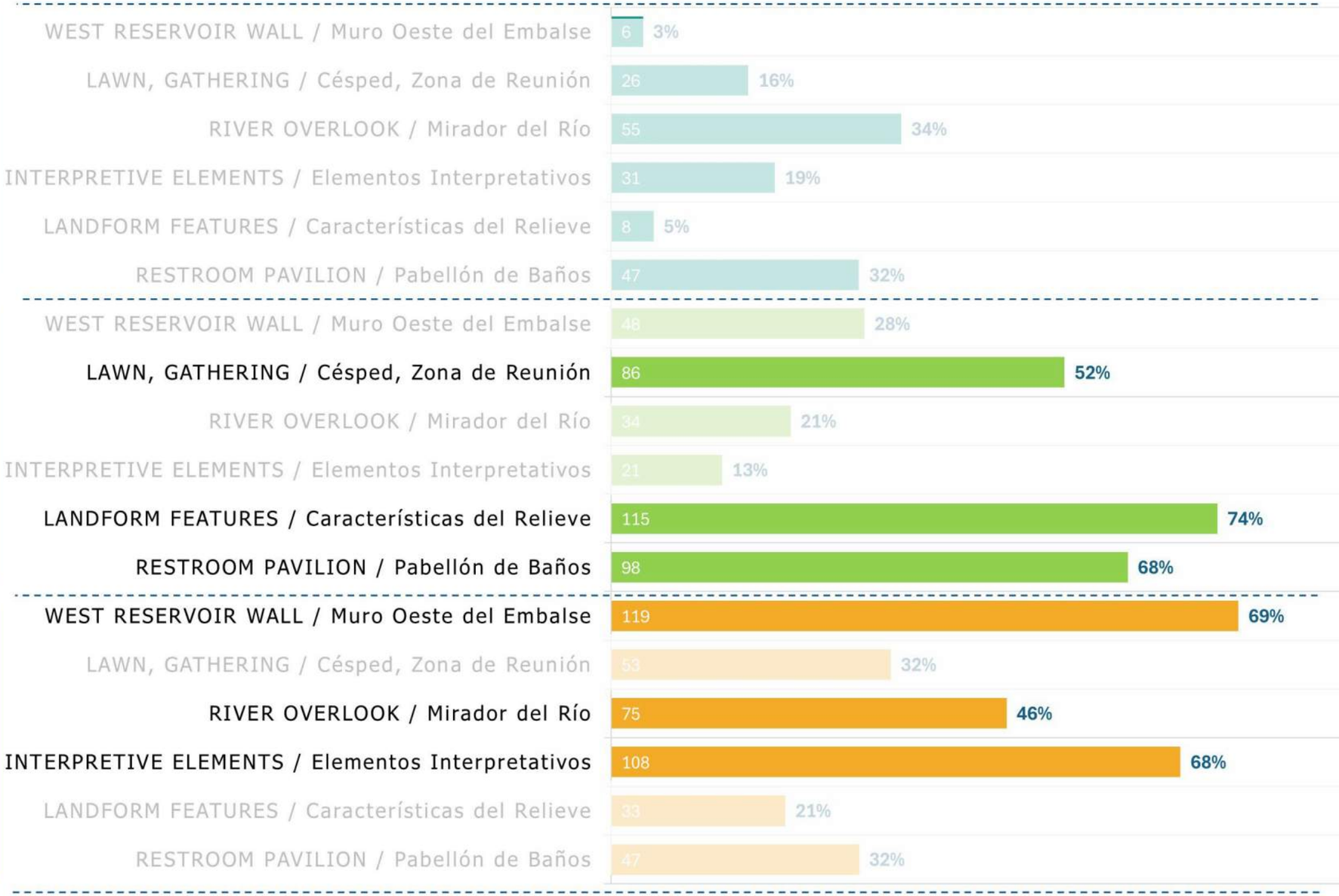


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Design Update | *Actualización del diseño*

LADWP Water Operations | *Operaciones de Agua de LADWP*

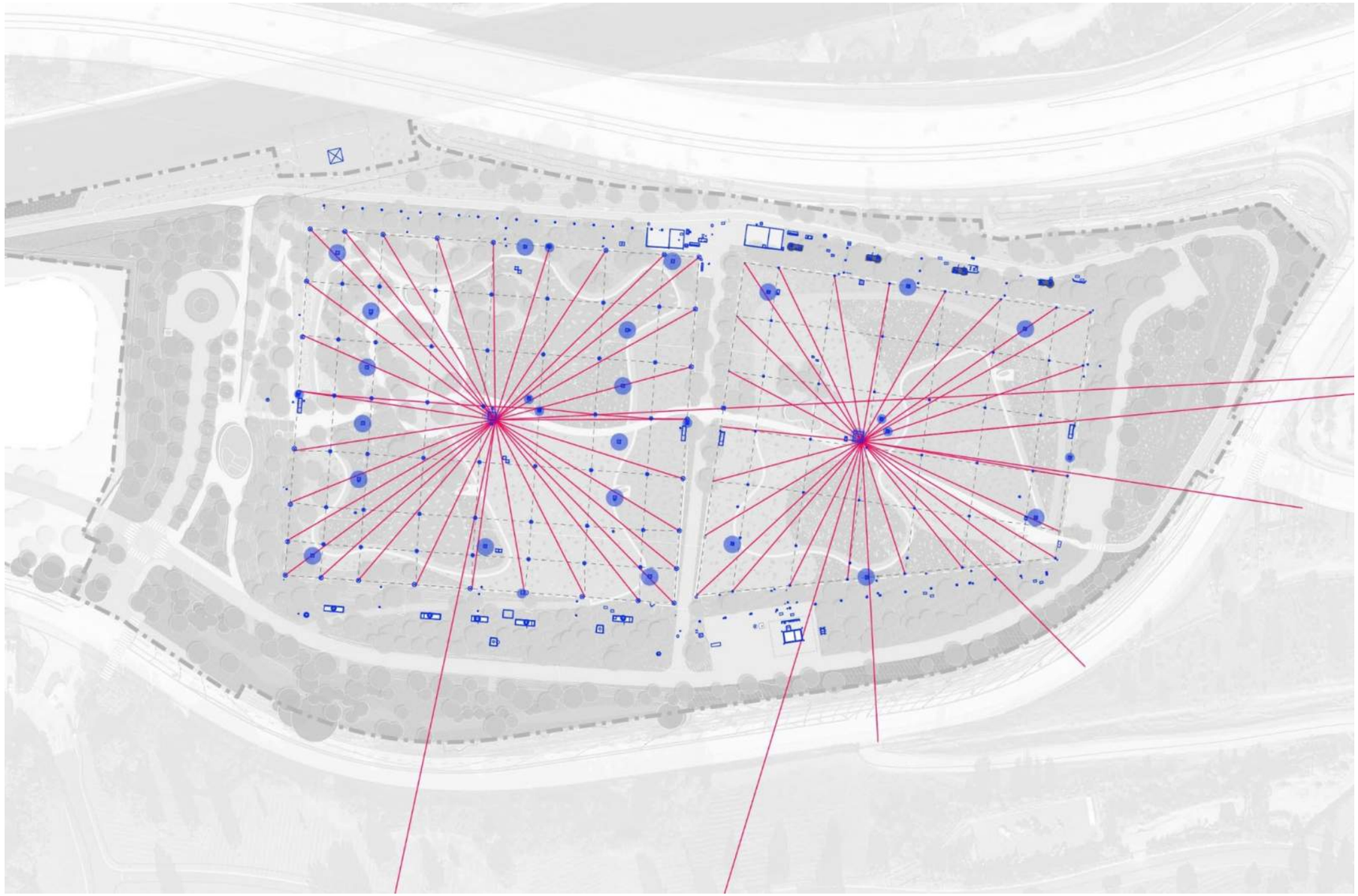
- **Operate the facility safely** */*
  Operar la instalación de forma segura
- **Maintain water quality** */*
  Mantener la calidad del agua



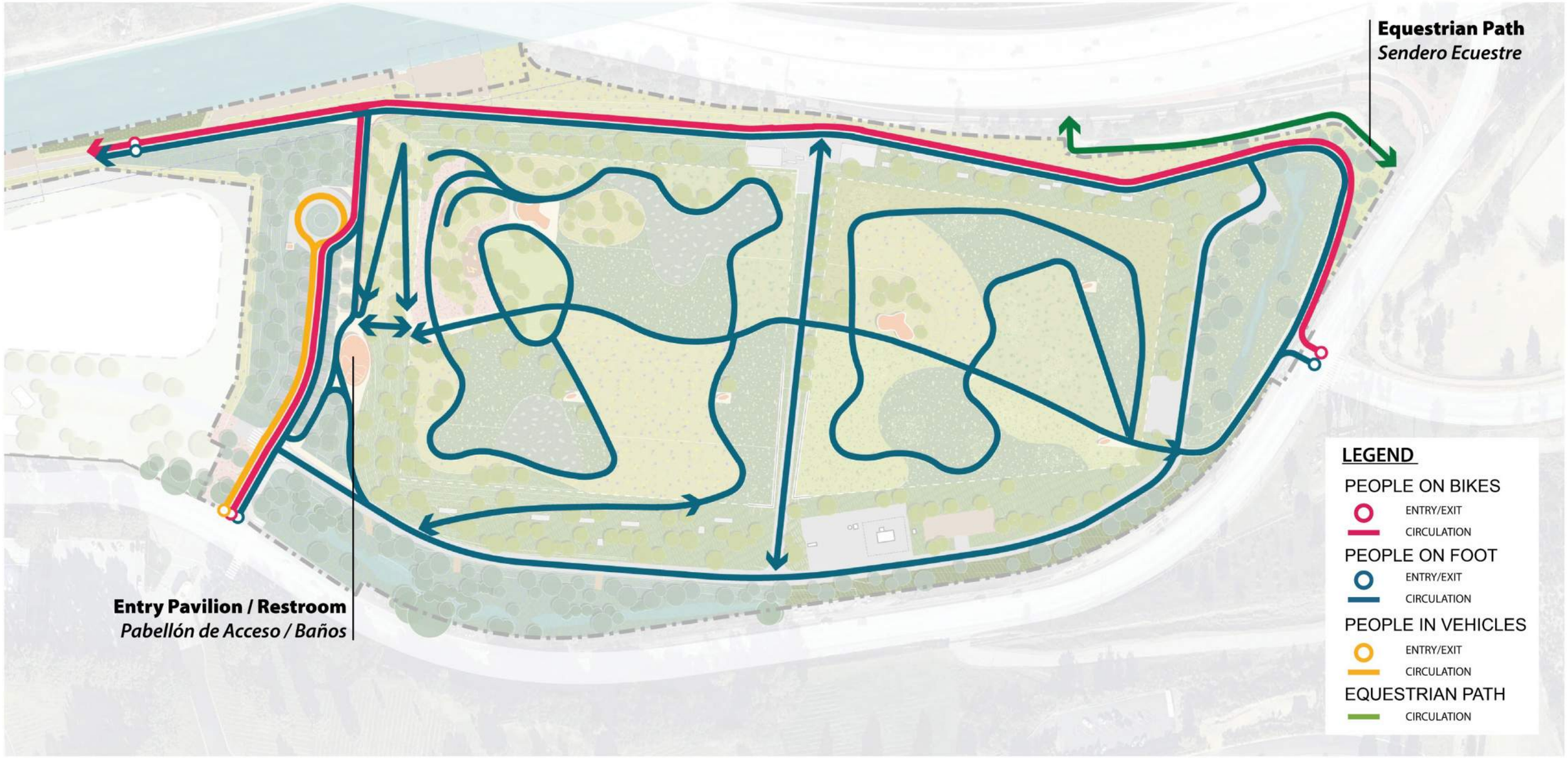




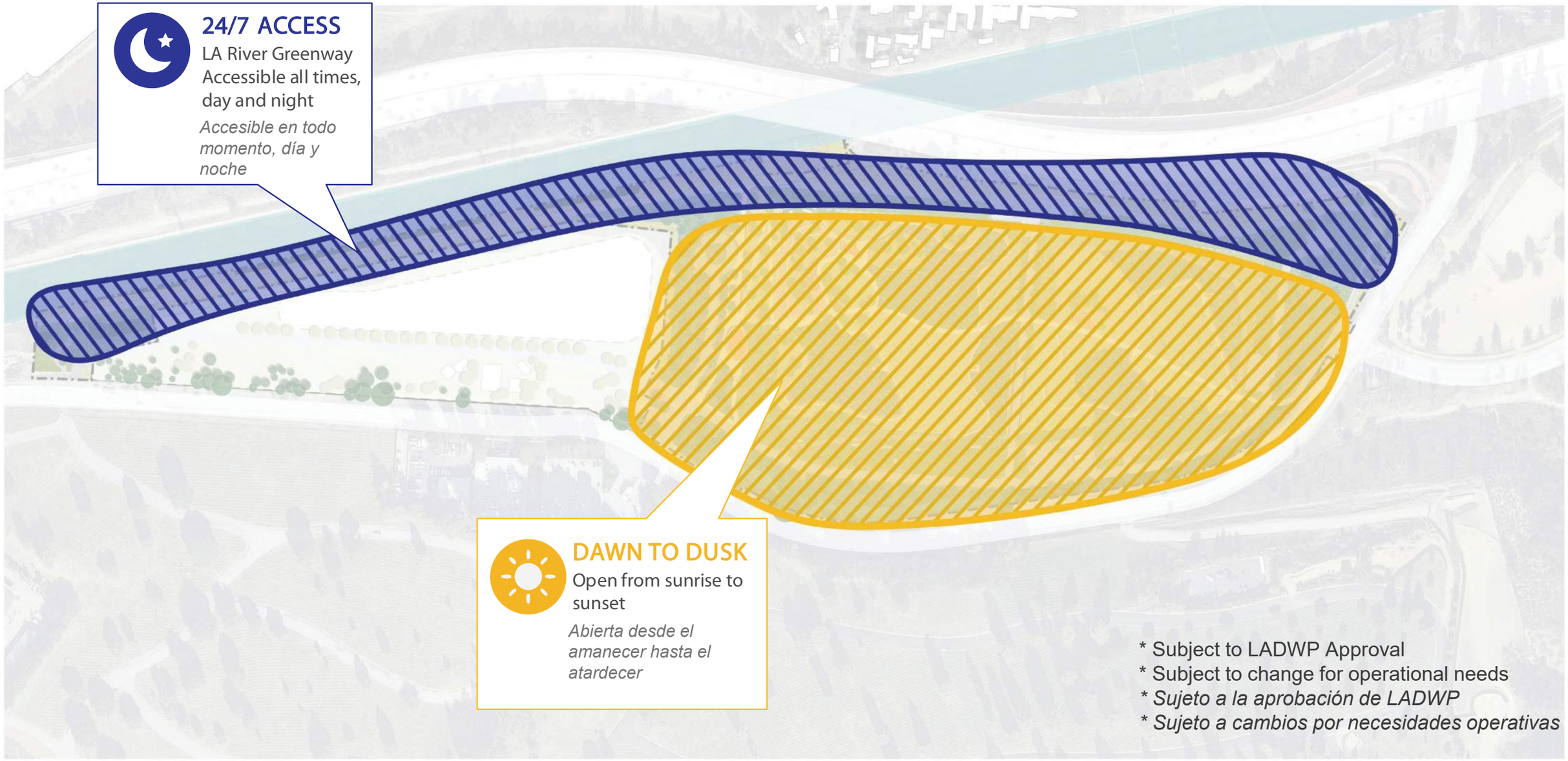




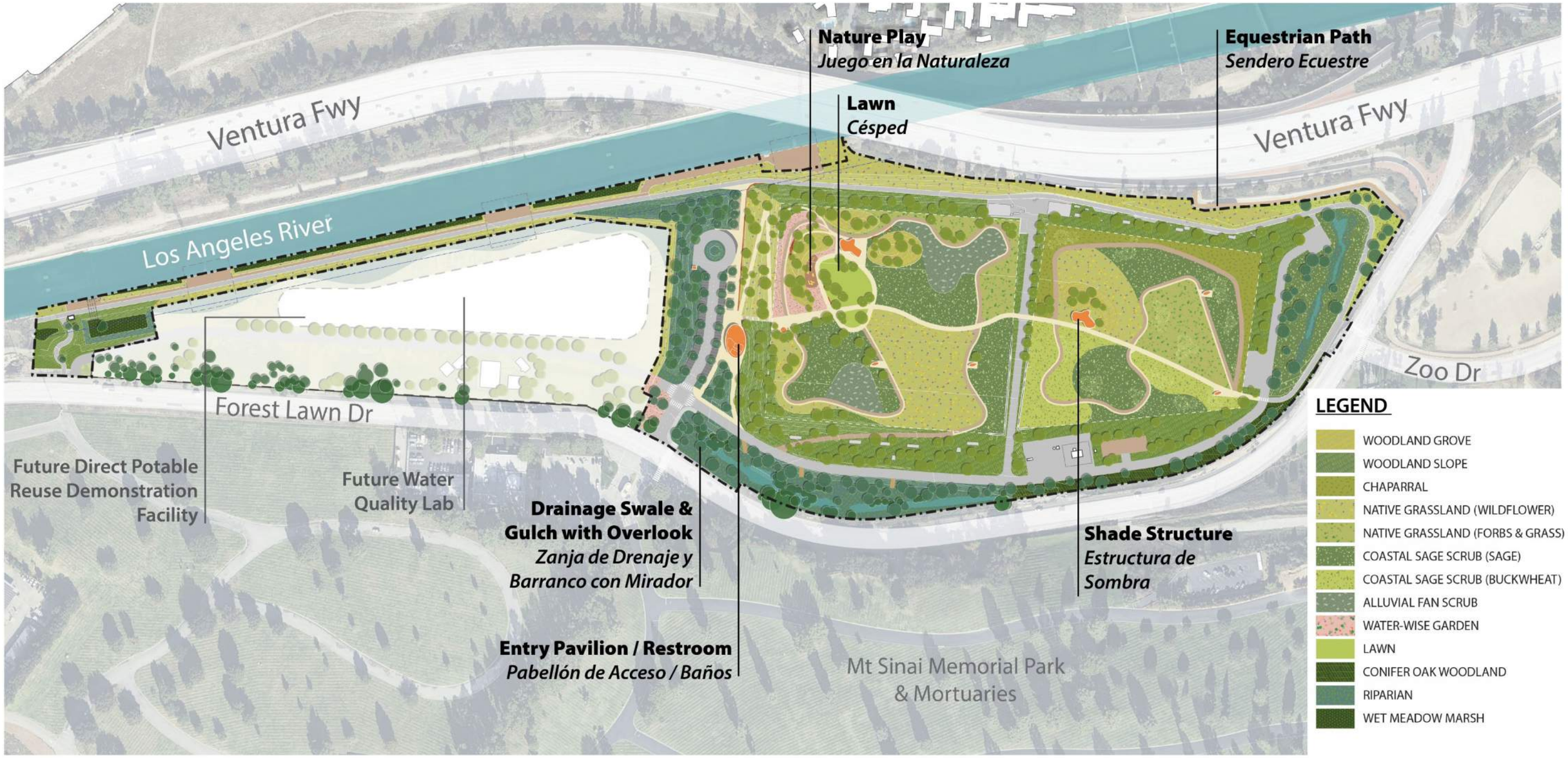
Access & Pathways | *Acceso y Trayectorias*



Park Operation Hours | *Horario de funcionamiento del parque*



Concept Design Plan | *Plan de Diseño Conceptual*



Bird’s-Eye View 1 | *Vista de pájaro 1*



Bird’s-Eye View 2 | *Vista de pájaro 2*



Perspective View | Lawn & Nature Play
Vista en Perspectiva | *Césped y Juego en la Naturaleza*



Perspective View | River Overlook
Vista en Perspectiva | *Mirador Sobre el Río*



Perspective View | Reservoir Promenade
Vista en Perspectiva | *Paseo del Embalse*



Perspective View | LA River Greenway
Vista en Perspectiva | *Vía Verde del Río Los Ángeles*



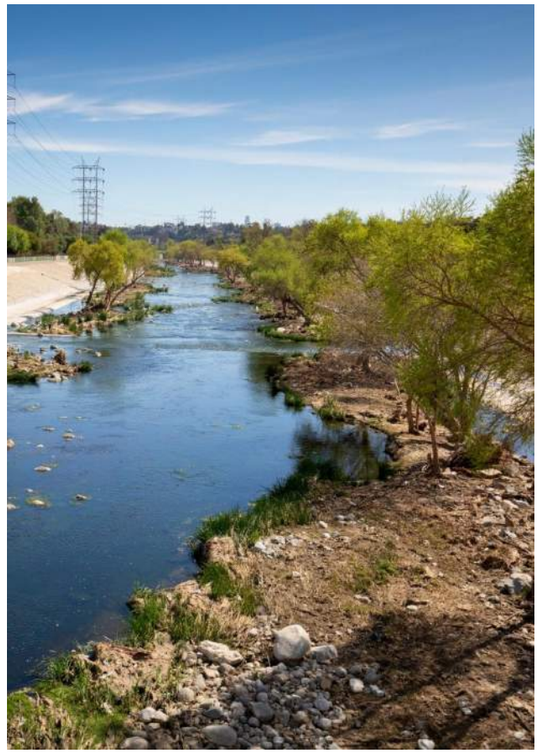
Habitat Goals |
Objetivos para el Hábitat

Habitat Goals | *Objectivos para el Hábitat*

Fresh Water /
Agua

Food Resources /
Recursos alimenticio

Nesting Resources /
Recursos para anidar

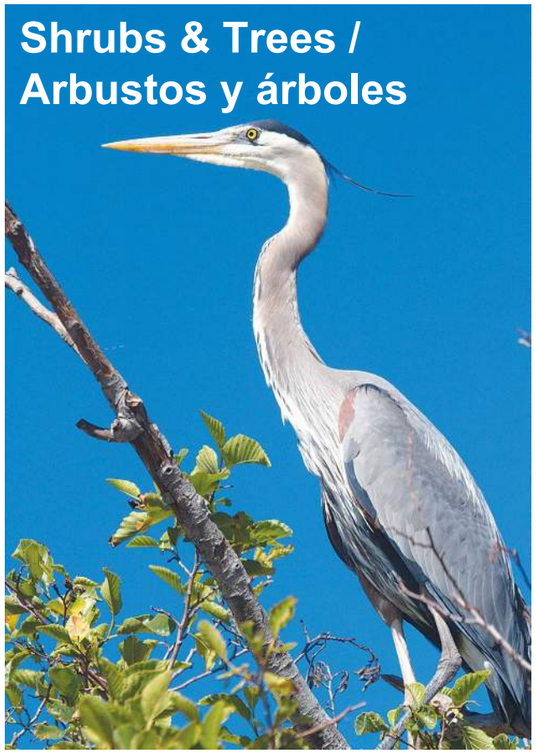




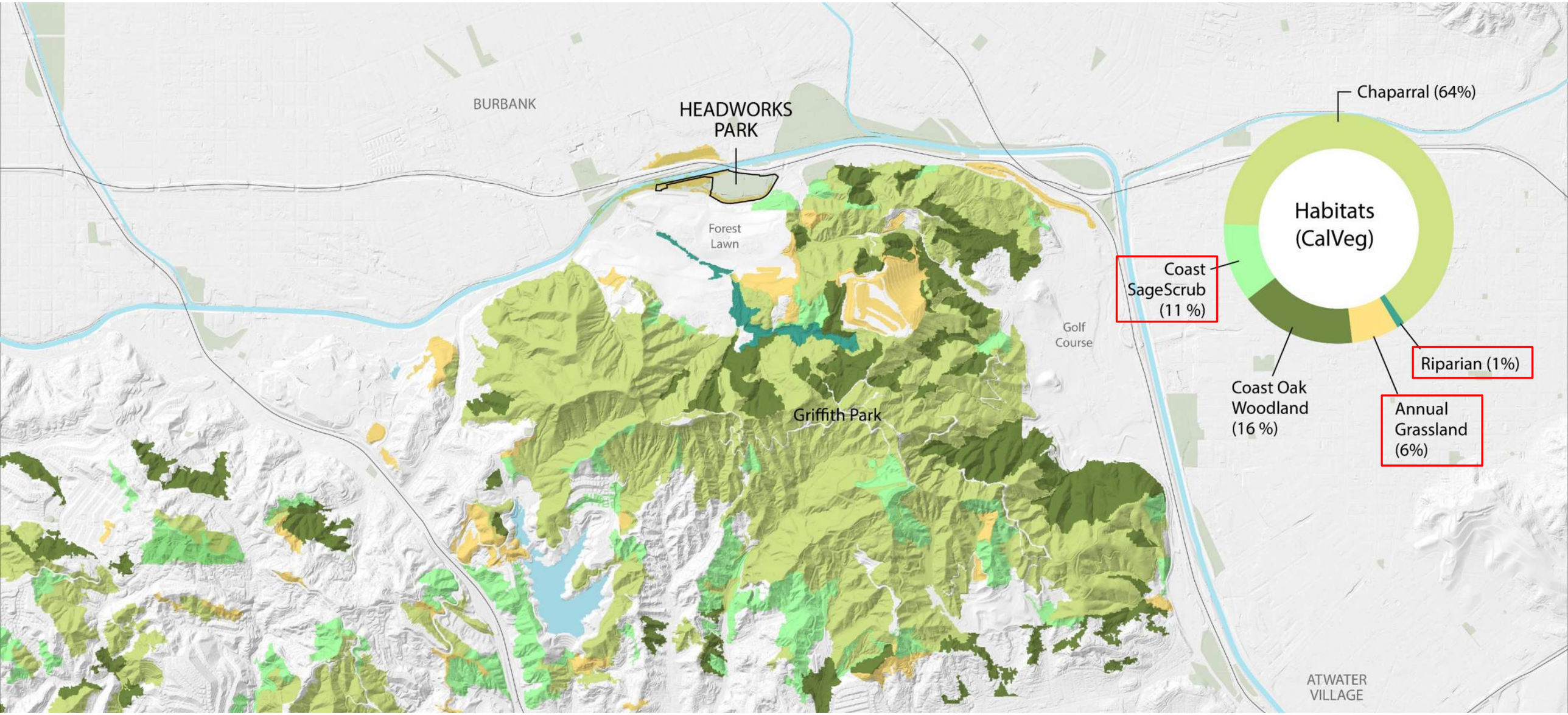




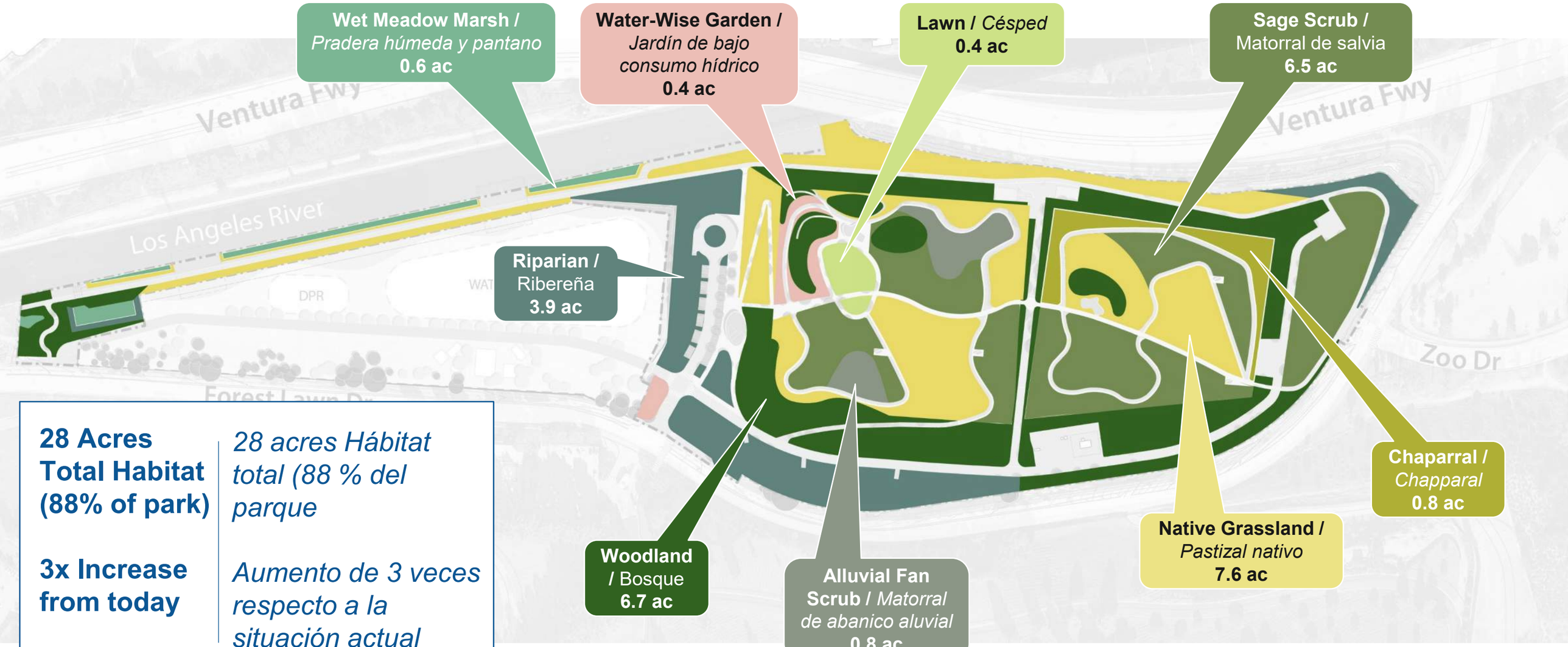




Habitat Gaps | *Brechas de hábitat*



Habitat Goals | *Objectivos para el Hábitat*



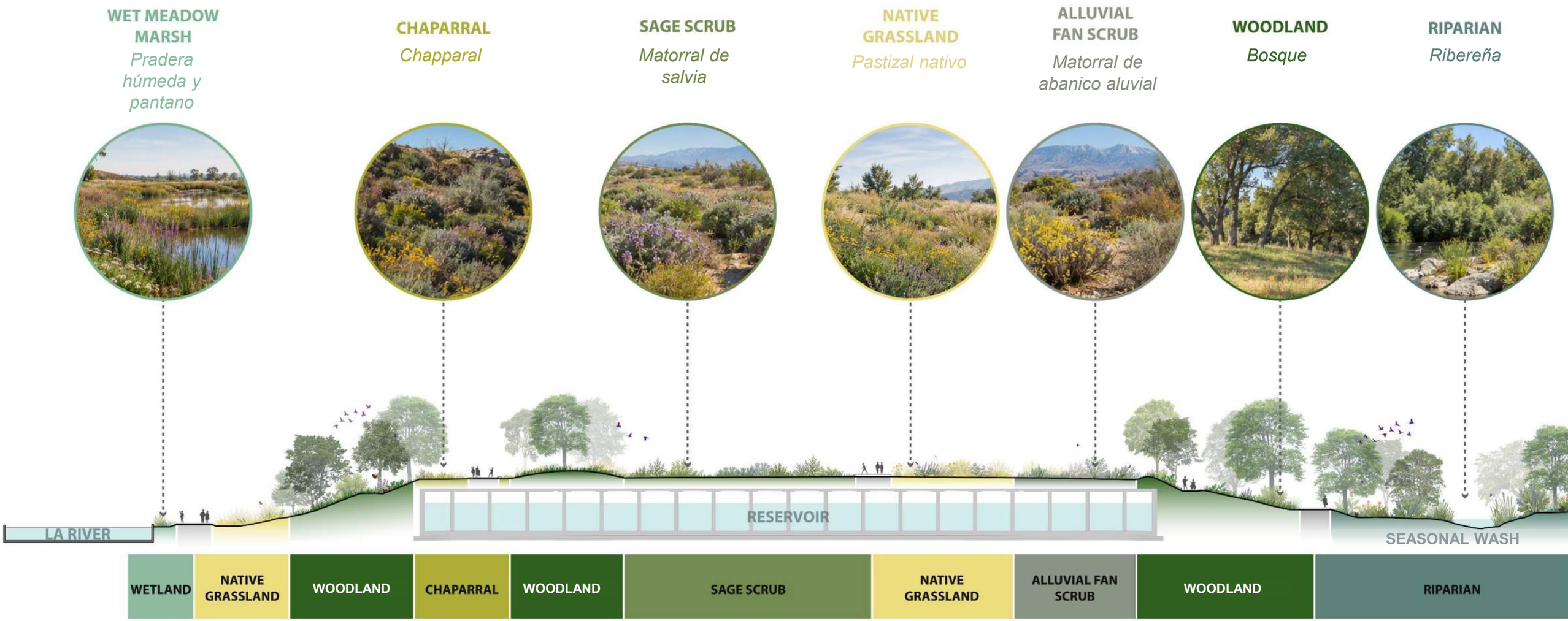
28 Acres Total Habitat (88% of park)

28 acres Hábitat total (88 % del parque

3x Increase from today

Aumento de 3 veces respecto a la situación actual

Plant Communities | *Comunidades Vegetales*



Habitats | *Hábitats*



Behr's Metalmark
Apodemia virgulti



Western red bat
Lasiurus frantzii



Bumble Bees
Bombus spp.



Western meadowlark
Sturnella neglecta



Western Bluebird
Sialia mexicana



American Kestrel
Falco sparverius



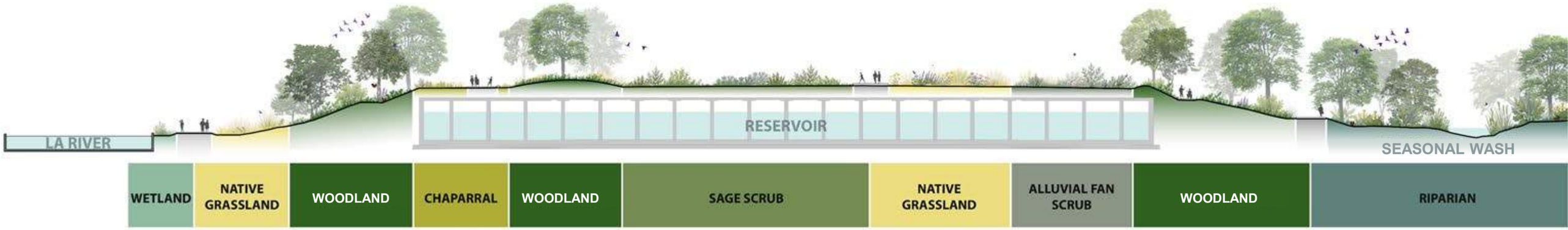
Yellow Warbler
Setophaga petechia



California Dogface
Zerene eurydice



Baja California Tree Frog
Pseudacris hypochondriaca





We Want to Hear From You

Nosotras Queremos Saber de Ti

Next Steps | Próximos pasos

- **Questionnaire open until November 30th**
  Cuestionario abierto hasta el 30 de Noviembre

- **Community Workshop Three – Spring 2027**
  Primavera de 2027

- **Visit www.ladwp.com/Headworks for project updates**
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Thank You! | ¡Gracias!