# Welcome to

Enchantment Under the Dea

# P3S Signature Event

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# Sustainability & Resilience

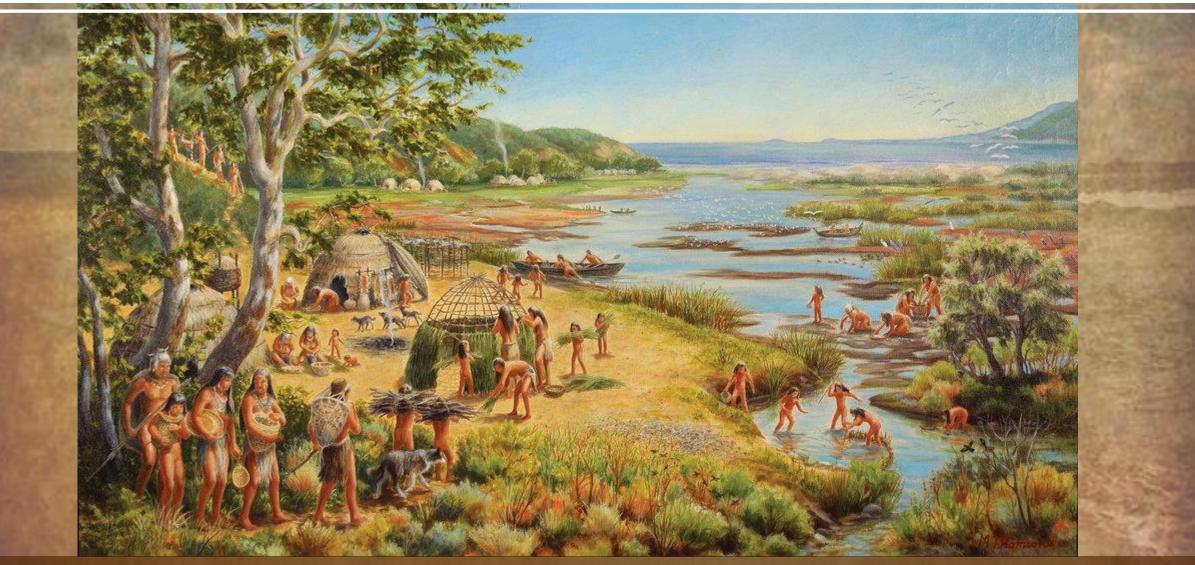
at the Aquarium of the Pacific

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LEED Green Associate, EcoDistricts AP

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# Living in Harmony with Nature



"Wiyot's Children" by Mary Leighton Thomson, depicting life of the Tongva people before the Spanish arrived in the 1800s. Photo courtesy of the Friends of Ballona Wetlands









Huntington Beach

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Newport

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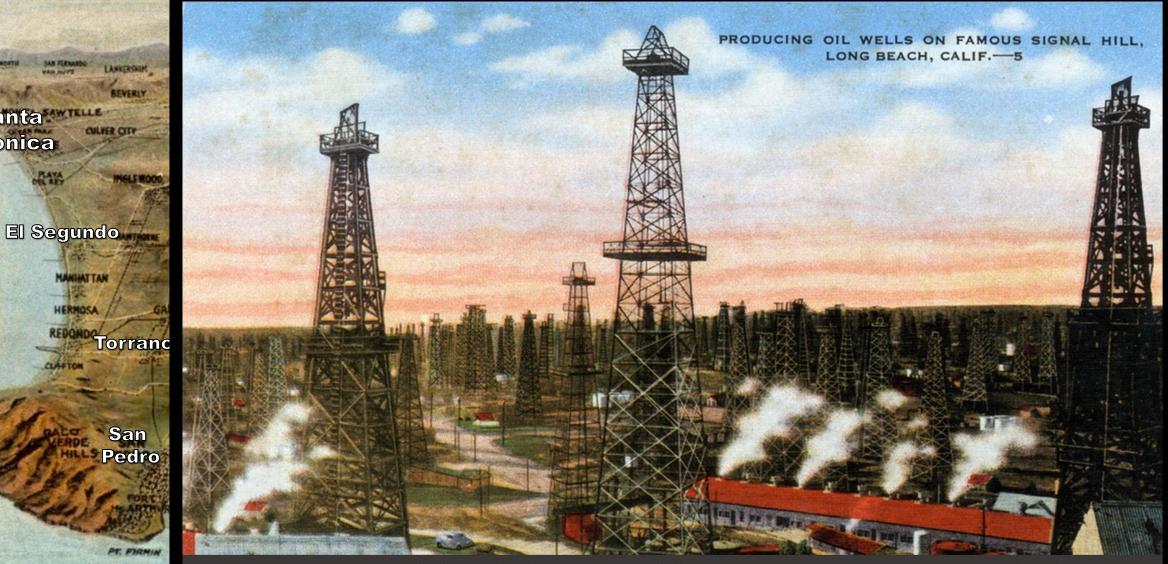
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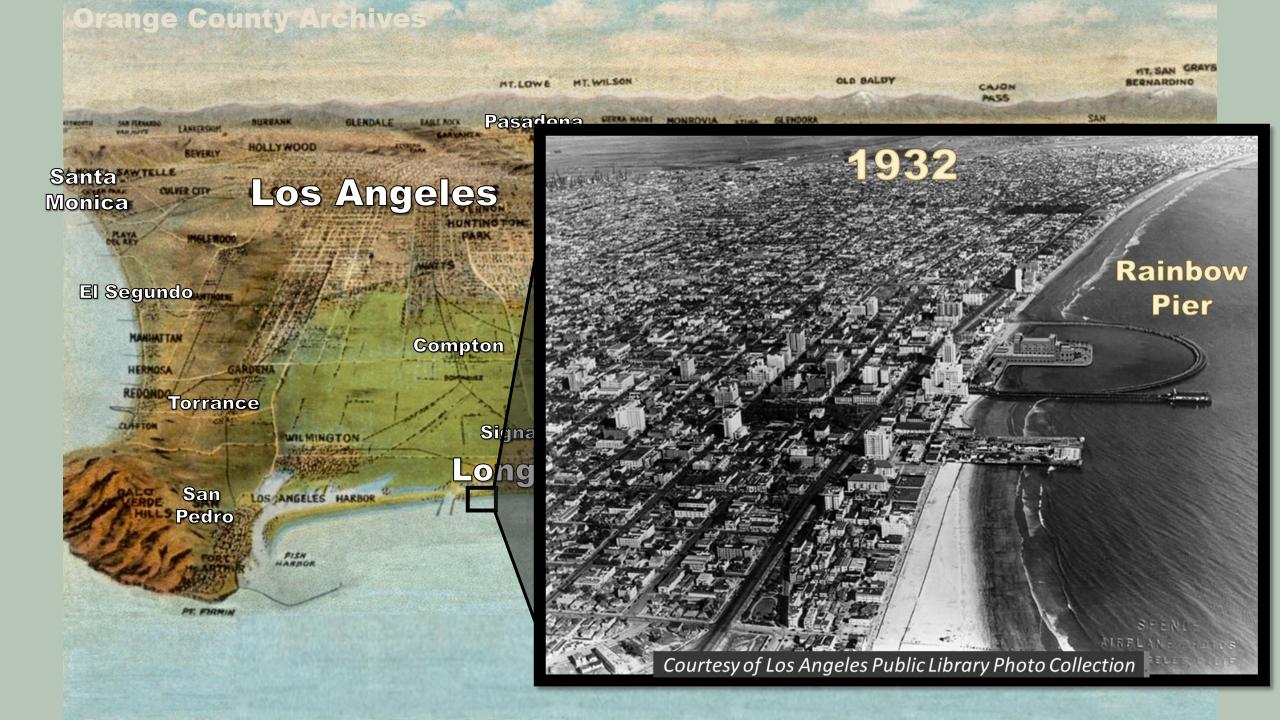
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**1920s** 



Circa 1926 postcard of Signal Hill. Courtesy of the Werner Von Boltenstern Postcard Collection, Department of Archives and Special Collections, Loyola Marymount University Library











explains the model to colleagues

Photo Courtesy of the Los Angeles Public Library

# Los Cerritos Channel

CHERONAL STREET, STREE

ALC: NO.

## January 22, 2017

Record-setting rainfall (3.87") causes flooding in Long Beach

E. Willow St. bridge over the flooded Los Cerritos Channel

Photo Credit: Mark Michaelsen

Pasadena

Riverside

## Los Angeles

Santa Monica

Downey

Compton

El Segundo

Torrance

Long Beach

San Pedro

Huntington Beach

Anaheim

2020

Data SIO, NOAA, U.S. Navy, NGA, GEBCO Image Landsat / Copernicus Data USGS Google Earth

# Primary Climate Change Impacts for Long Beach

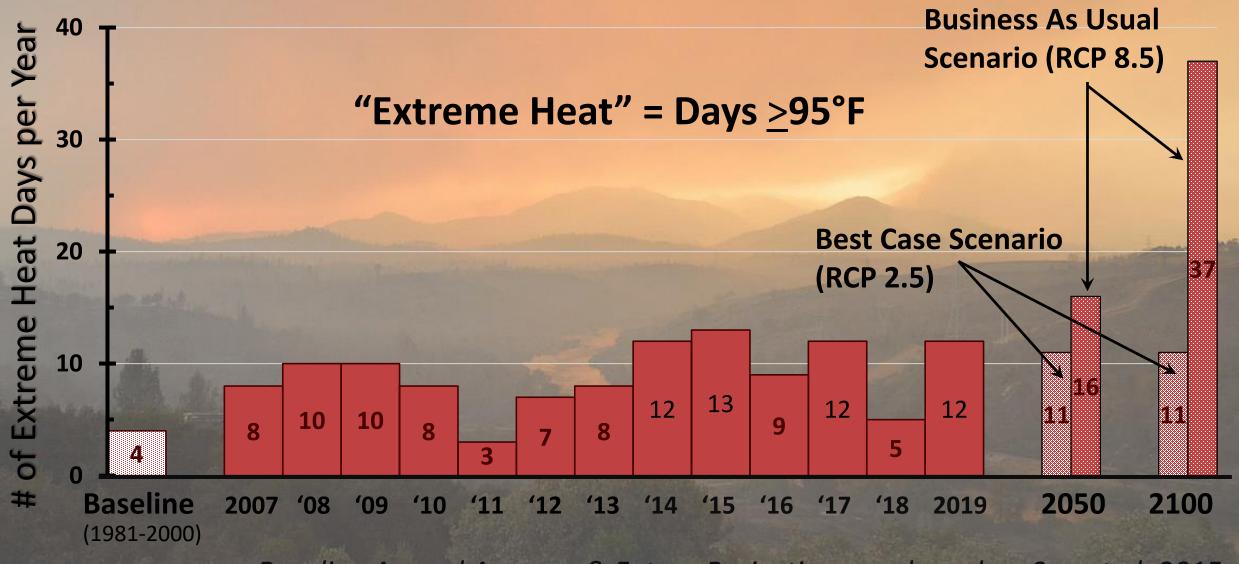
# Extreme Heat

# Worsening Air Quality

# Sea Level Rise & Flooding

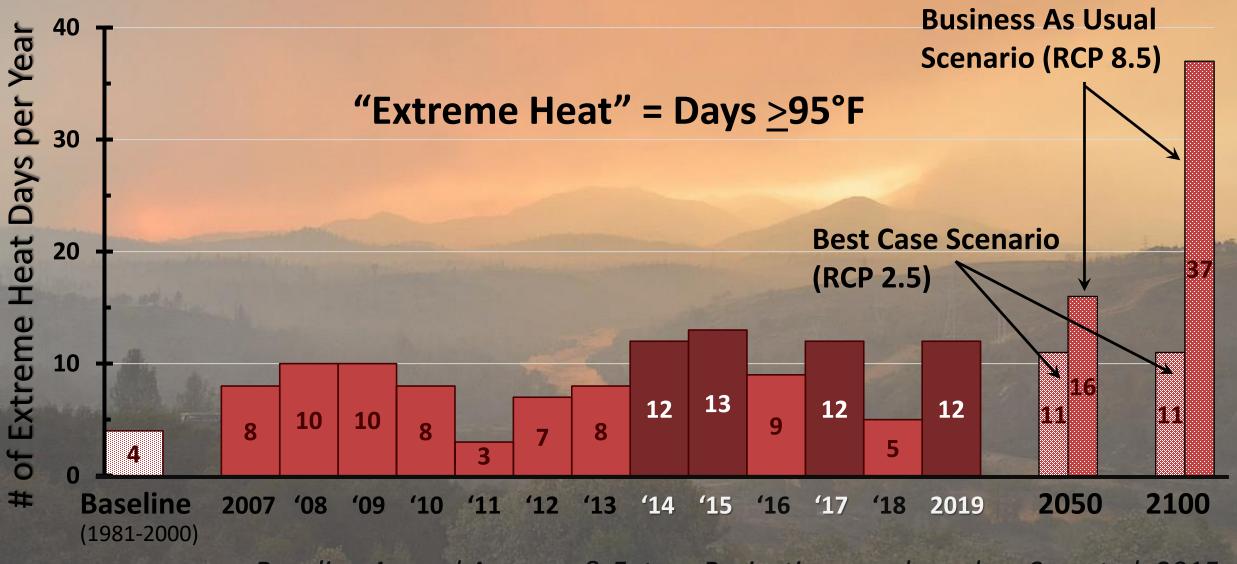
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# Extreme Heat events are 1 in Southern California

**Capital Weather Gang** 

All-time high temperature records set throughout Southern California, including Los Angeles

91°F

@ LB Airpo



109°F

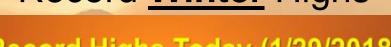
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Record High	is Today	(7/6/201
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Location	Today's High	Old Daily Record	Record Type
Downtown Los Angeles	108	94 (1992)	Daily
Los Angeles Int'l Airport	92	88 (1957)	Daily
Long Beach Airport	109	93 (1998)	Monthly
UCLA	106	89 (1942)	Monthly
Burbank Airport	114	103 (1976)	Monthly & All Time
Van Nuys Airport	117	99 (2017)	Monthly & All time
Woodland Hills	117	106 (1976)	Daily
Oxnard NWS	95	85 (1981)	Daily
Camarillo Airport	101	87 (2011)	Monthly
San Luis Obispo	102	86 (2011)	Daily

## Record <u>Winter</u> Highs





Record Highs Today (1/29/2018)

Location	County	Today's High	Old Record
Long Beach Airport	Los Angeles	91	83 (1992)
LAX	Los Angeles	89	83 (1962)
UCLA	Los Angeles	89	85 (1971)
NWS Oxnard	Ventura	87	85 (1971)
Camarillo Airport	Ventura	89	85 (1971)
Santa Maria	Santa Barbara	85	83 (1931)
Paso Robles	San Luis Obispo	79	77 (1976)
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# **Deteriorating Air Quality Negatively Impacts Health in Long Beach**

## Long Beach, L.A. Area Ranked Among Worst Cities for Air Quality by American Lung Association

Despite continued improvement in air quality across the nation, the American Lung Association found that the Los Angeles-Long Beach area still experiences "dangerous"...

LBPOST.COM

April 21, 2017

# Prolonged Droughts punctuated by Heavy Precipitation puts Trees at Risk



Gust of wind topples tree into Long Beach home; five people escape through window

PRESSTELEGRAM.COM





Prolonged Droughts <sup>↑</sup> Urban Flooding during Extreme Rain events January 22, 2017, Corner of Caspian Ave & PCH in Long Beach

Photo by Stephen Carr, Long Beach Press Telegram

## Long Beach residents are already experiencing flooding <u>without</u> Sea Level Rise

January 19, 2017 Flooding near Belmont Shore caused by rain and high tides - Photo by Holly Rindge (featured in *the Gazette*)

# **Becoming RESILIENT**



# **Extreme Heat – Actions**



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#### **Stop** Decapitating Trees to Protect Powerlines



### Prioritize Trees & T Energy Resiliency

#### Trees can $\downarrow$ Urban Heat by up to 10°F



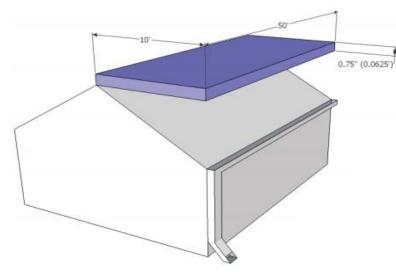
Start creating shade & locally generated energy by adding solar to every rooftop & parking lot/structure, & add bioswales, permeable pavements, & curb-cuts to  $\uparrow$  Drainage & H<sub>2</sub>O retention while also  $\downarrow$  Flooding & potable water use

# **Drought – Actions**

Long Beach...Beautiful California Friendly Landscapes Made Here

**Recycled Water** 

#### How To Determine The Number of Rain Barrels to Install



Rain Barrel Storm-Water Catchment System

www.blawntogarden.com

STOP

3 min shower timer

Shower Bucket

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## Stormwater + Complete Street Solutions

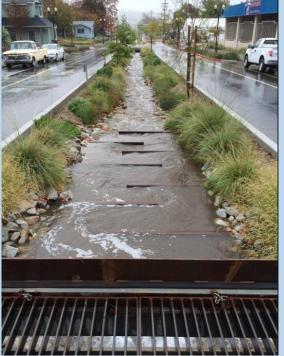
STORMWATER FROM SIDEWALK FLOWS INTO THE PLANTER

STORMWATER FROM ROADWAY FLOWS INTO THE PLANTER

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Fig. 2.1 3D View of Stormwater Planter Philadelphia Green Streets Design Manual





21st St. Improvements in Paso Robles, CA By CannonCorp Engineering Consultants

# Air Quality – Actions Vegetated Barriers Clean & Cool the Air & ↓ Noise

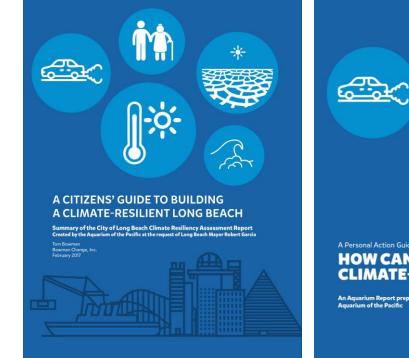


## Sustainability & Resilience at the Aquarium of the Pacific



#### City of Long Beach Climate Resiliency Assessment Report







#### A Personal Action Guide HOW CAN YOU BECOME CLIMATE-RESILIENT?



Quick Start Guide

HOW CAN YOU BECOME CLIMATE-RESILIENT?

An Aquarium Report prepared by Bowman Change, Inc. and the Aquarium of the Pacific

Prepared by Aquarium of the Pacific December 2015

Freely Available at: <a href="http://pacific.to/resilientLBaop">http://pacific.to/resilientLBaop</a>

# AQUARIUM OF THE PACIFIC

AQUARIUM OF THE PACIFIC helping to build a Climate Resilient Long Beach

What do you love about Long Beach?

What would you do to protect it?



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# What do you LOVE most about Long Beach?

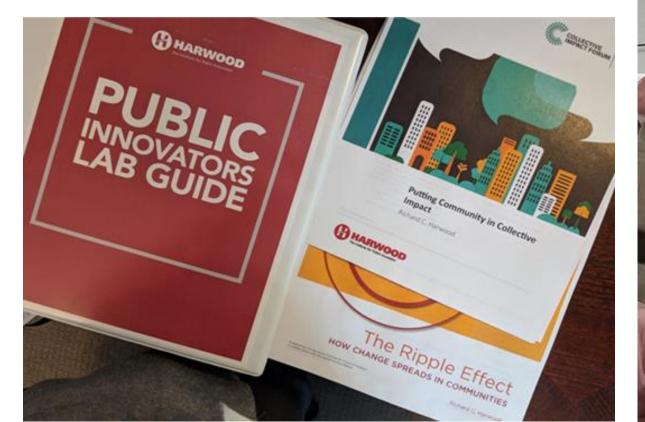


# What can WE do to PROTECT what we love?



## **Community Conversations**

- 1. What kind of community do you want to live in?
- 2. Why is this important to you?
- 3. How is that different than what you see now?
- 4. What are some of the things that need to happen to create the kind of community you want?

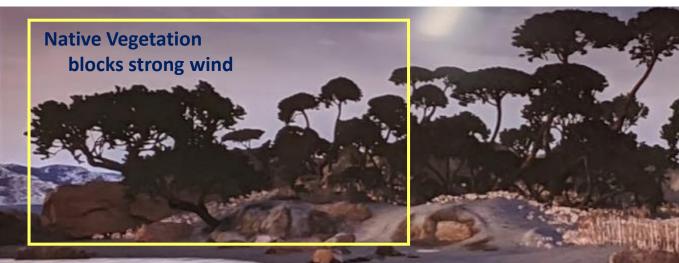




## Partnering with Artists & Designers to create Innovative & Inspiring Solutions



**Coastal plants fortify shores** 



Grey Sand slows down erosion



NATURAL ROCKS



WILD GRASS FOUNTAIN GRASSES



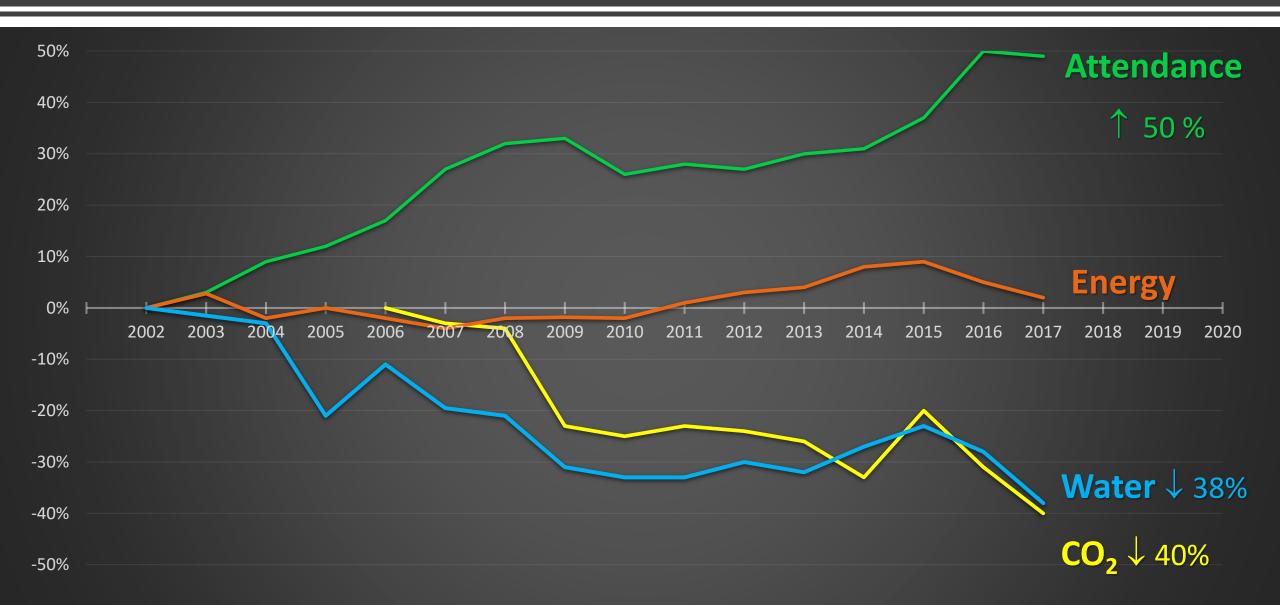
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# Our Environmental Footprint



# Energy

### Founding Member of **The Climate Registry** Reported **GHG Emissions** from **2006 - Present**

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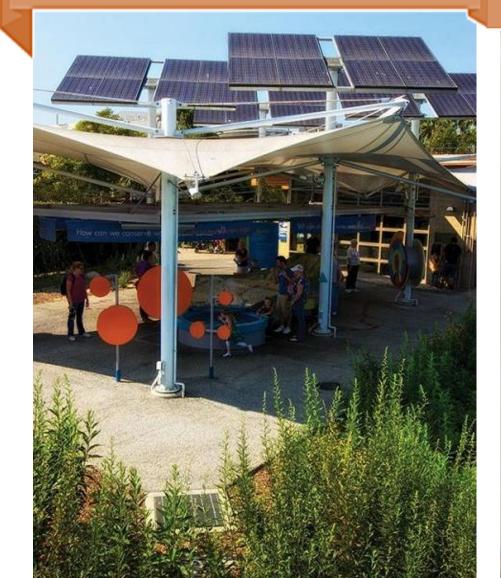
### The Climate Registry

Achieved Climate Registered **Gold Status** for our 2017 GHG emissions Inventory



# Energy

### **Renewable Energy** installations (Solar & Wind) **LED bulbs**, Occupancy Sensors, Insulation, Shade





Energy

### Siemen's Demand Flow technology Energy ↓ 50%, & saves 800,000 kWh/year

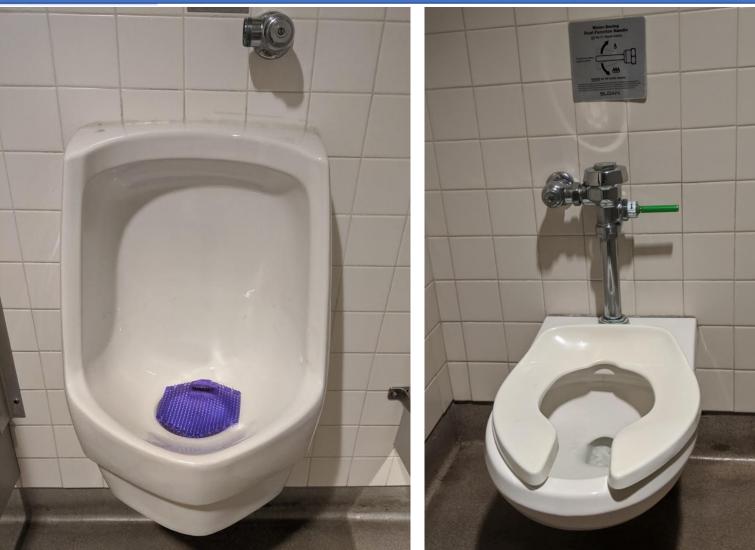


Fuel cell installation takes us 87% off the grid



## Potable WATER

# Waterless urinals & dual-flush toilets saves 960,000 gallons/year



## Potable WATER

# Drought Resistant Landscaping saves 550,000 gallons/year

#### Our Earth-Friendly Garden is Water Wise

Instead of a sprinkler system with a clock timer, a weather-based irrigation controller customizes our watering schedule letting the daily weather and the plants' needs control if, when, where, and how much our drip irrigation system waters our plants.

Converting your home garden to a weather controlled drip irrigation system could decrease your water bill by as much as 50%. Save even more money with rebates from your local water department.

#### Weather-based irrigation control

A satellite sends real-time data on Long Beach weather conditions to the Aquarium's personal computer which then automatically adjusts the watering schedule of the irrigation controller.



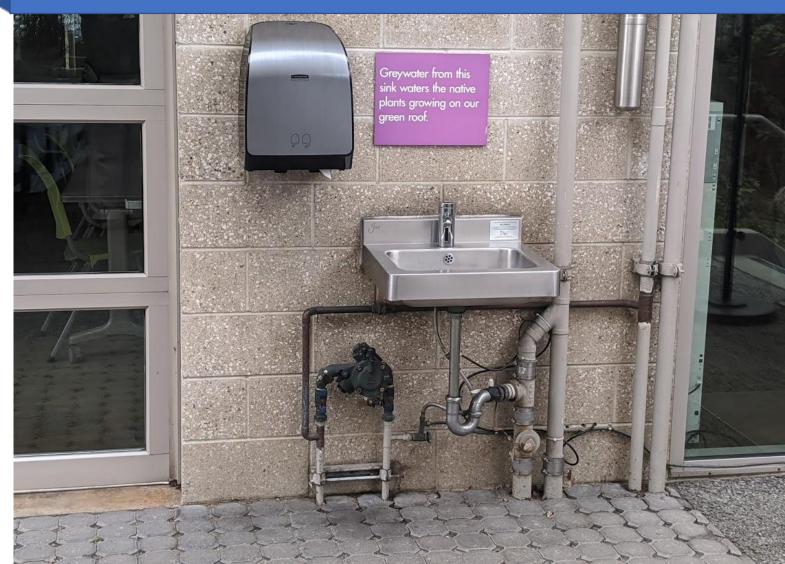
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EARTH-FRIENDLY GARDEN

# Stormwater

### Permeable Pavements, Grey Water Capture, & a Green Roof decrease stormwater runoff



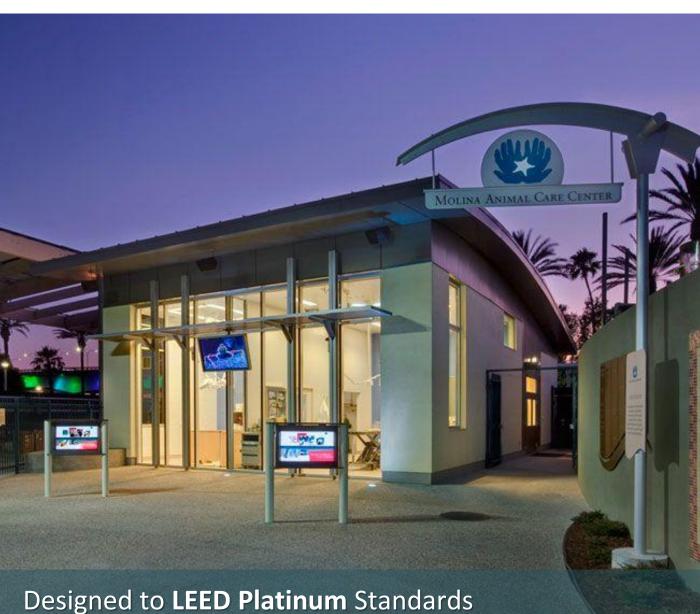
### **Sustainable Construction**

Watershed Classroom & Exhibit



- LEED<sup>®</sup> Platinum certified (2008)
- Carbon-neutral (solar, operable windows)
- 95% stormwater retained on site; several porous paving materials used; fly ash as concrete substitute
- Graywater for green roof
- native landscaping

### **Sustainable Construction**





Designed to LEED Gold Standards

### **Sustainable Construction**

### Pacific Visions Expansion





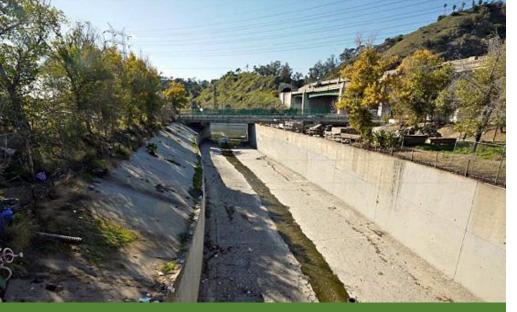
- Bird-friendly glass & site lighting
- 25% more energy efficient than required by code
- Drought-tolerant landscaping

Interactive Culmination Gallery encourages guests to find sustainable ways to provide enough Food, Energy, & Water to support current & future populations

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# In the face of a changing environment, communities must be **engaged** & at the **core of planning** for the future





The LA River Master Plan is using
Nature & Community-Based Solutions
to Restore Ecologic Function to the LA River.
→ an Inviting, healthier, more resilient system

Urban Farms & Community Crop Swaps (↑ Food Security, Equity, Health & ↓ Foot-print)





**Living Walls & Vegetated Shade** (Cleans & Cools the Air,  $\uparrow$  Health,  $\downarrow$  Energy,  $\downarrow$  Floods & Cleans H<sub>2</sub>O, etc.)





## We **CAN** Design the Future **We WANT** Our Challenge is to **IMAGINE** It, **CREATE** It, & **SHARE** it

Illustration: "Imagining a Healthy, Sustainable Future for the LA River" by Perkins & Will

# Thank You

Large-Scale Revitalization of the LA River, by AECOM