

# San Pedro's Waterfront Connectivity Plan



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**Final Plan Presentation to the  
Board of Harbor Commissioners**

**December 7, 2023**

# Presentation Outline

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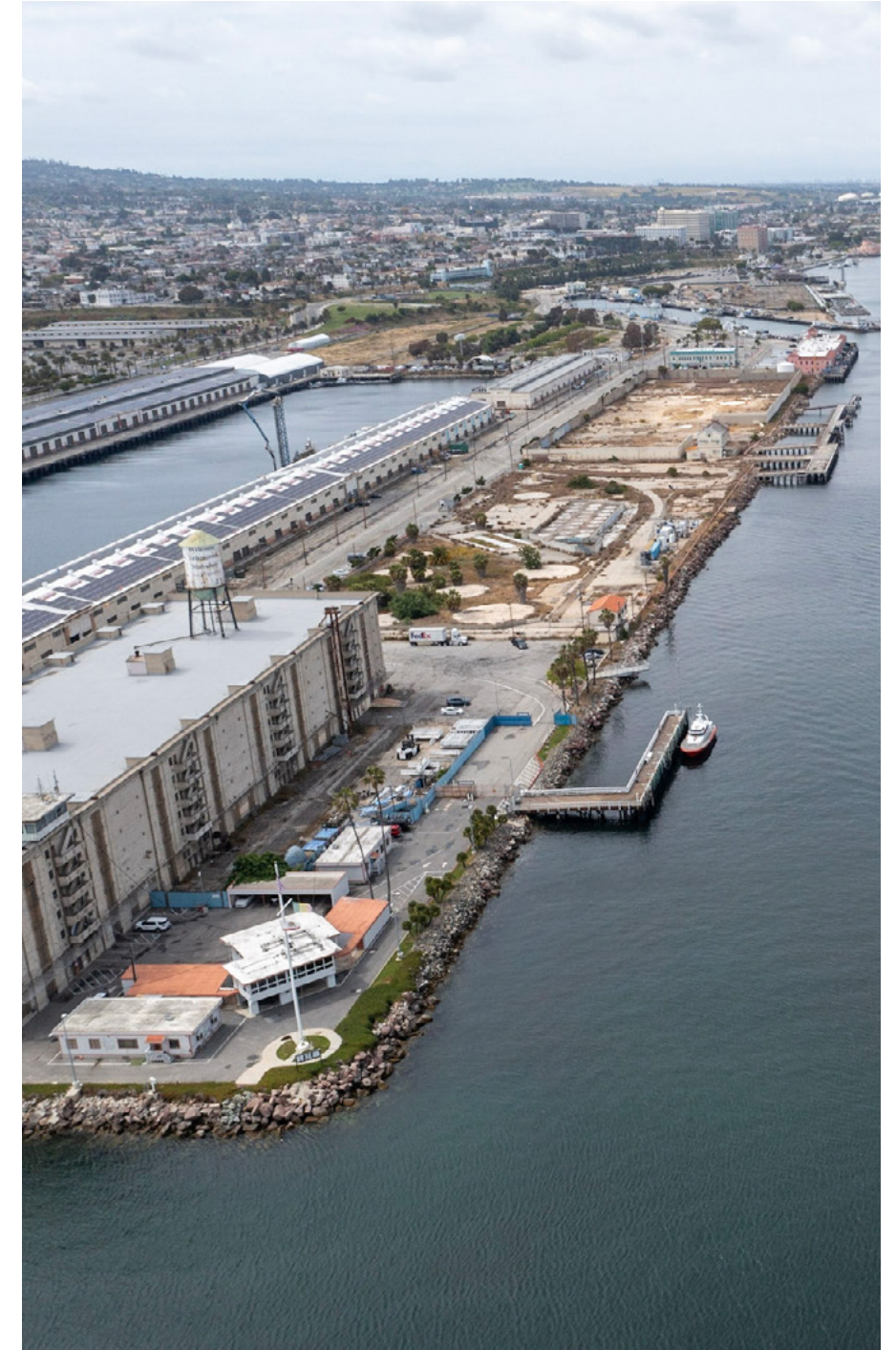
- Project Timeline
- Questions

# 1. Introduction



# Background

## LA Waterfront in San Pedro



# Background

## History

Military



Cargo



Ship Building



Downtown Businesses



Fishing



Canning



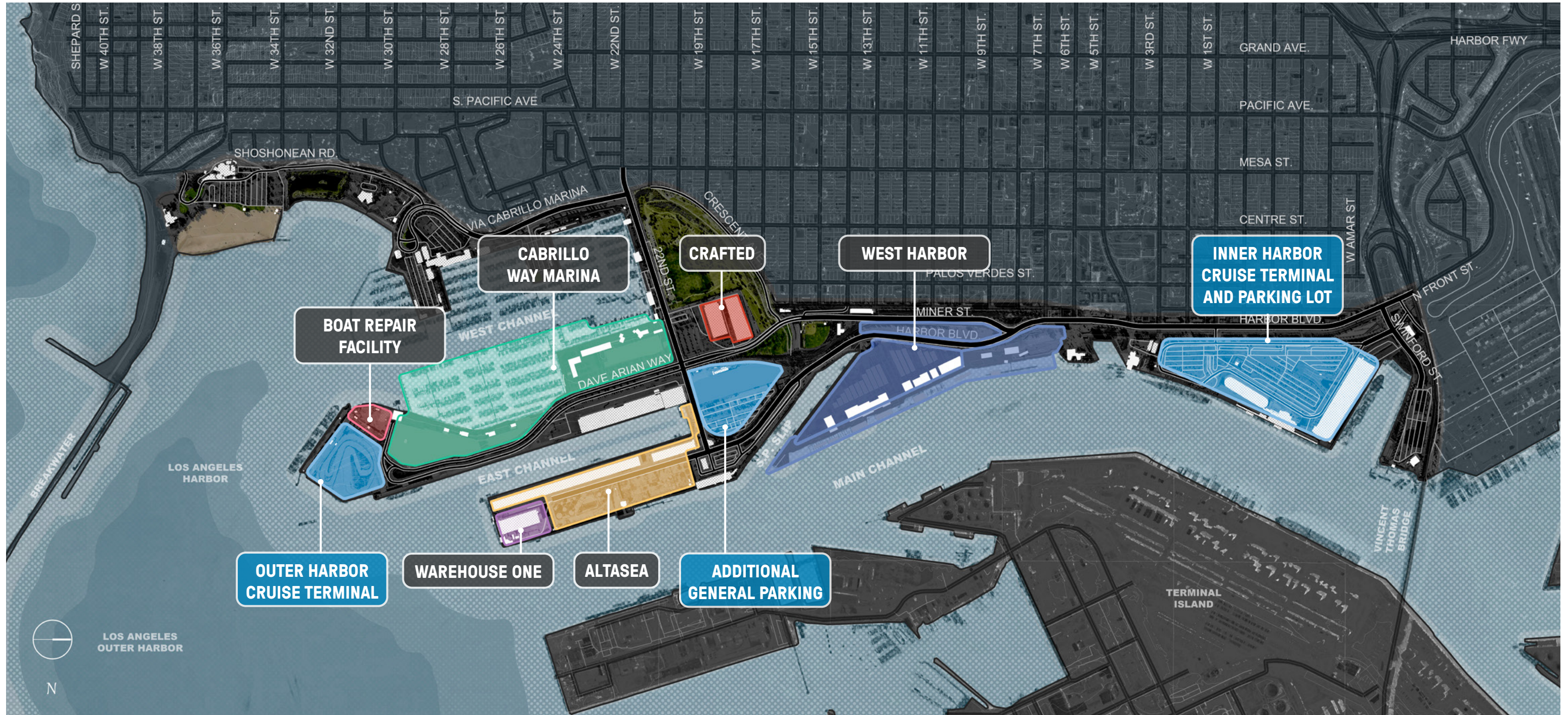
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## Current and Future Developments



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## Regional Context





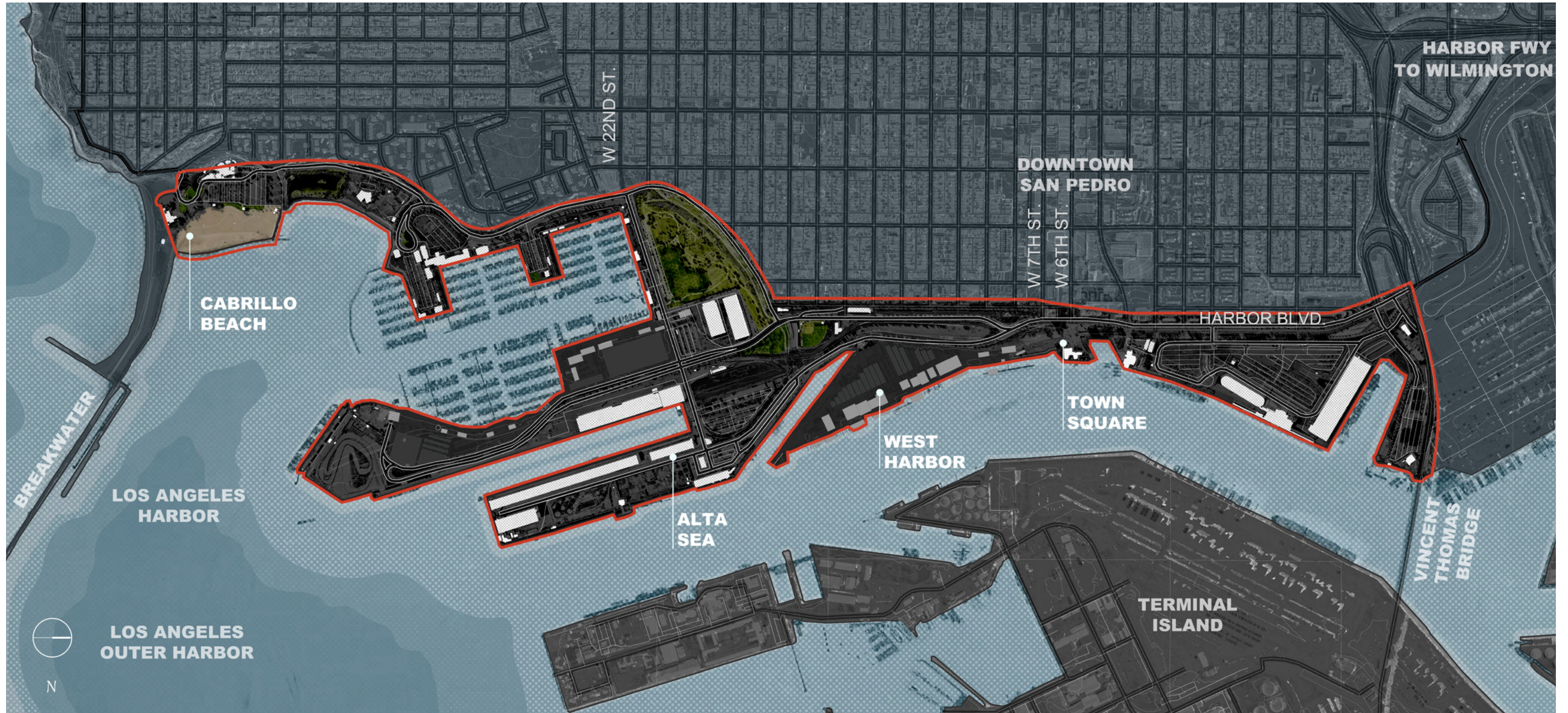
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## Community Context



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460 acres & 8 miles of waterfront



# Planning Goals

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**Work with what's been done already**

**Set a framework for the future**

**Think about connectivity comprehensively**

**Be engaging**

# Community Engagement

## Process



# Community Engagement

## Participation



### Phase 1

#### 1. Focus Group Charrette

- Tuesday, Jan. 24, 2023, 5:30-8 pm
- Presentation & 3 interactive stations
- Estimated attendance: 20

#### 2. Community Workshop

- Thursday, Feb. 23, 2023, 6 to 8pm
- Presentation & 5 interactive stations
- Estimated attendance: 80

#### 3. Art Walk Pop-up

- Thursday, Mar. 2, 2023, 5 to 8pm
- One interactive station at the San Pedro Art Walk
- Estimated attendance: 100

#### 4. Rancho San Pedro Resident Meeting

- Friday, April 28, 2023, 6 to 8pm
- Presentation & 5 interactive stations translated
- Estimated attendance: 35

### Phase 2

#### 5. Focus Group Meeting

- Thursday, Jun. 8, 2023, 5:30-7 pm
- Presentation & 4 interactive stations
- Estimated attendance: 10-15

#### 6. Community Open House

- Thursday, Jun. 29, 2023, 6-8 pm
- Presentation & 4 interactive stations
- Estimated attendance: 40-50

#### 7. Community Meeting

- Thursday, Sept. 28, 2023, 6-8 pm
- Presentation & 4 interactive stations
- Estimated attendance: 30

**~315 Participants Combined**

# Community Engagement

## What We Heard: January-June

**COMMENT:**

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**Support for public transit improvements (more stops)**

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Source	Date	Format
Harbor Commission Meeting, presentation of Draft Plan	September 7, 2023	Verbal comment
Community Meeting, presentation of Draft Plan	September 28, 2023	Verbal comment, Email comment
HACLA, One San Pedro	October 18, 2023	Letter
Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council	January 10, 2023 November 14, 2023	Letter
Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council	October 27, 2023	Letter
San Pedro Bay Historical Society	November 6, 2023	Letter



## Project Vision

**Now more than ever, people are seeking a reconnection with themselves, each other, and the natural environment around them. San Pedro's Waterfront Connectivity Plan is the catalyst that will allow this to happen.**

**The primary objective of this plan will build on existing and proposed modes of mobility as a foundation to create a network of well-connected, multi-benefit spaces that are accessible and safe for all San Pedro neighborhoods and the larger region seeking to enjoy an authentic L.A. Waterfront.**

# 2. Solutions



## Connectivity Plan Contents

### Chapter 1 Overview

- Introduction
- Legacy of Plans and Projects
- Current Conditions
- Waterfront Development Market Scan

### Chapter 2 Community Engagement

- Timeline & Objectives
- Phase 1: Listen & Explore
- Phase 2: Share & Evaluate

### Chapter 3 Connectivity Elements

- Connecting to Local Climate Action Policy
- Connectivity Framework

### Chapter 4 Implementation

- Implementation Strategy
- Proposed Project Phasing
- High-level Project Cost Estimates

Review the Final Connectivity Plan now on:  
[www.lawaterfront.org/invest/current-port-projects](http://www.lawaterfront.org/invest/current-port-projects)



# Connecting to Climate Action Policy

## Relationship to LA's Green New Deal

*“The Port of Los Angeles is proud to adopt the Sustainable City pLAn for the City of Los Angeles. The pLAn advances our environment, economy and social equity in 14 various categories with short-term, near-term (2025) and long-term (2035) targets.”*



### Connectivity Plan Example

#### Supporting Green New Deal Goals: Roadways



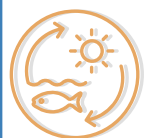
**pLAn Goal 3:**  
Local Water

- Green Street projects include multi-benefit stormwater designs to improve water quality



**pLAn Goal 6:**  
Mobility & Public Transit

- Minimizing the time spent idling in traffic and providing alternatives to driving help support the Sustainable City pLAn



**pLAn Goal 11:**  
Urban Ecosystems & Resilience

- Street trees and parkway vegetation can help create resilient urban ecosystems

- Connectivity Plan recommendations developed with the goals of LA's Green New Deal in mind
- Recommendations that support sustainability goals are identified throughout the Connectivity Plan

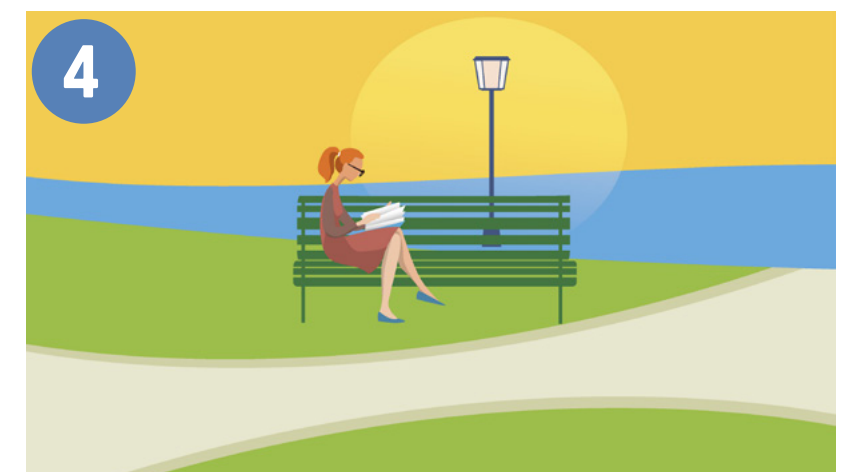
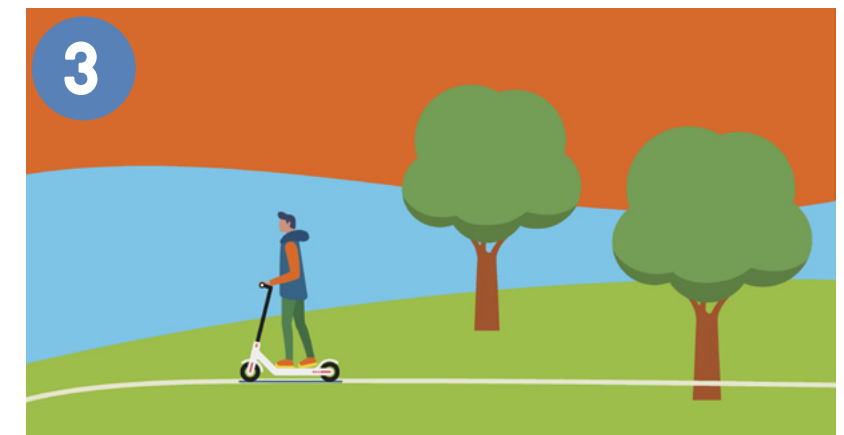
## 4 KEY PILLARS

1. Park Once, Stay All Day

2. Improve Public Transit

3. Provide Multi-benefit Public Access

4. Create Points of Interest



# Park Once, Stay All Day

## What We Heard (Issue):

**There's not enough parking**

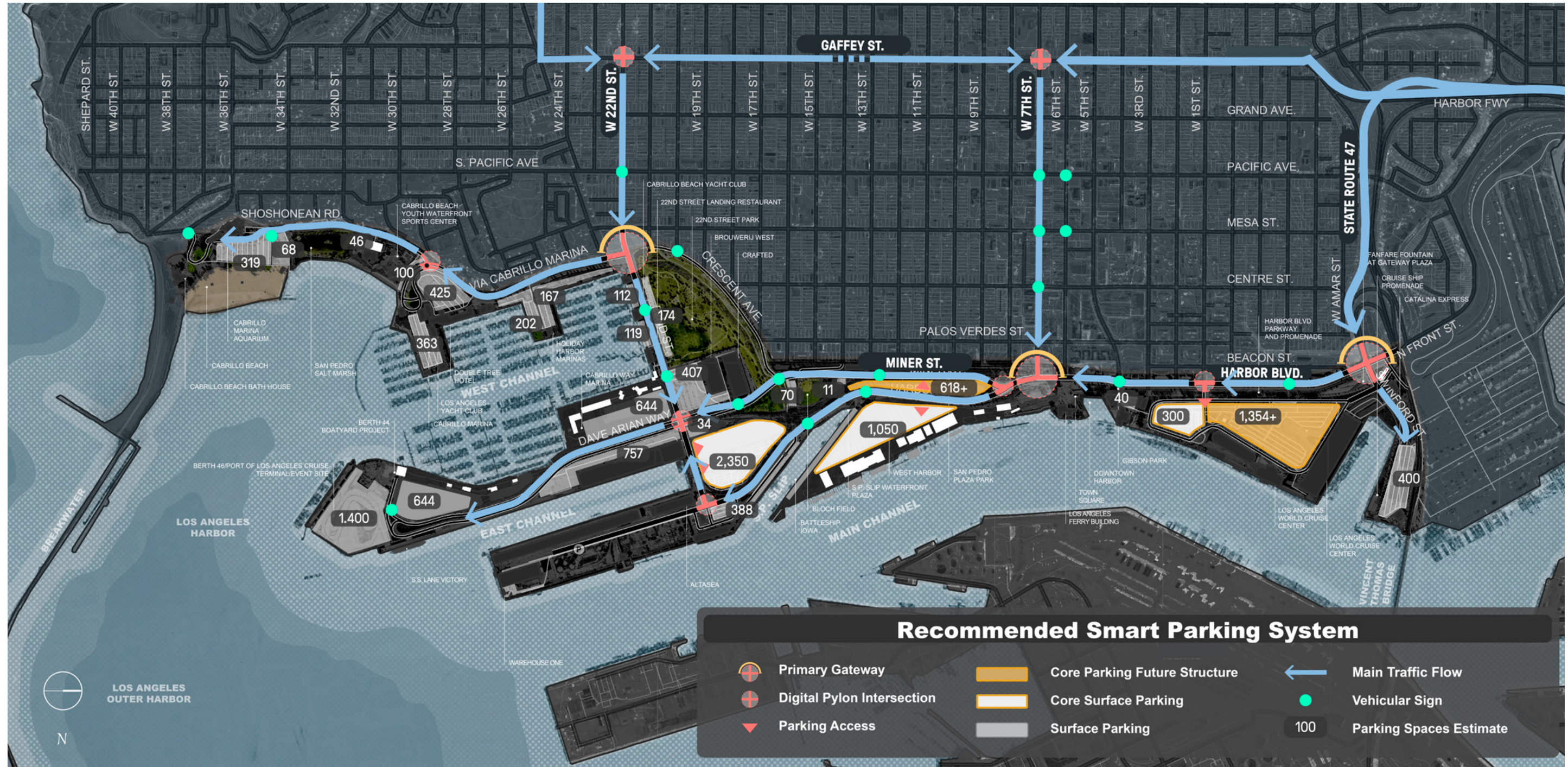
## Example Solutions:

- Signage to make it easier to find parking
- Cruise ship terminal and event parking tram
- Future phase parking structures



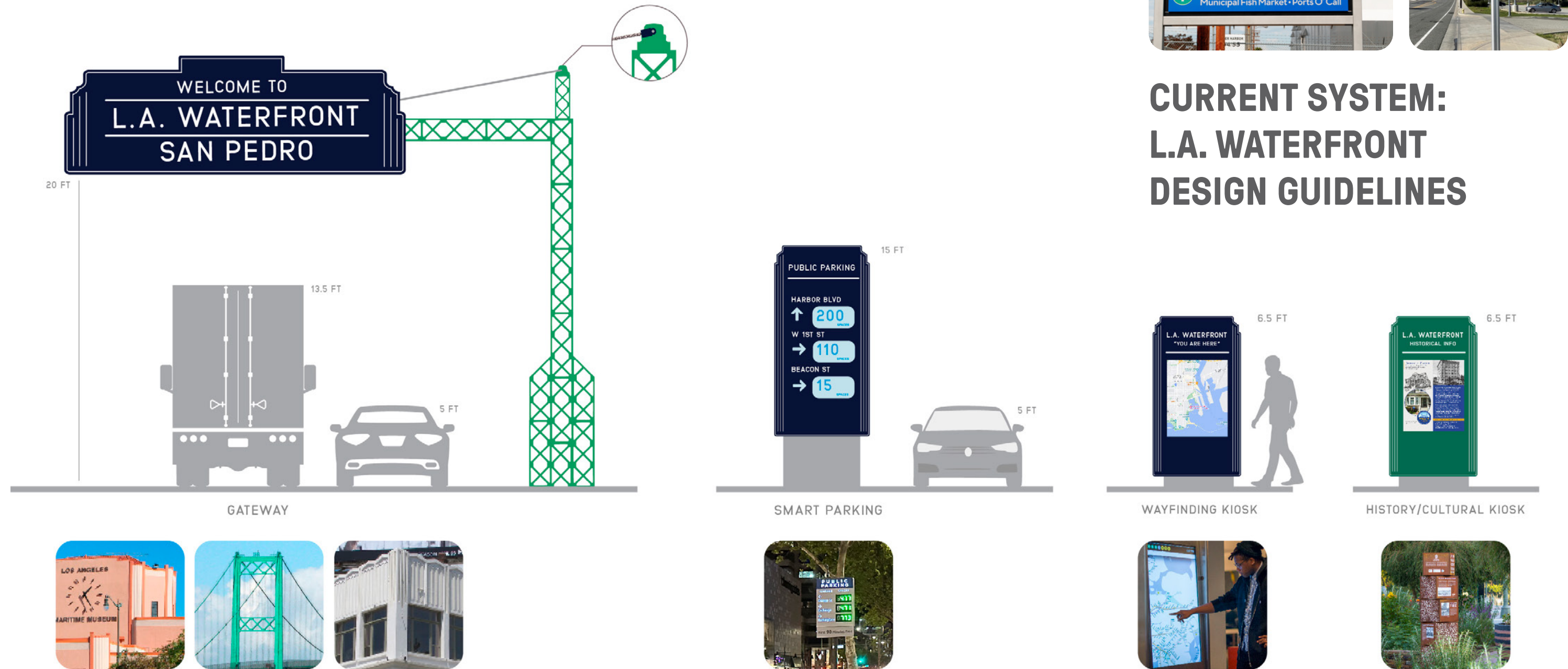
# Park Once, Stay All Day

## Recommended Smart Parking System



# Park Once, Stay All Day

## Recommended Wayfinding Signage



### CURRENT SYSTEM: L.A. WATERFRONT DESIGN GUIDELINES

**GATEWAY**

**SMART PARKING**

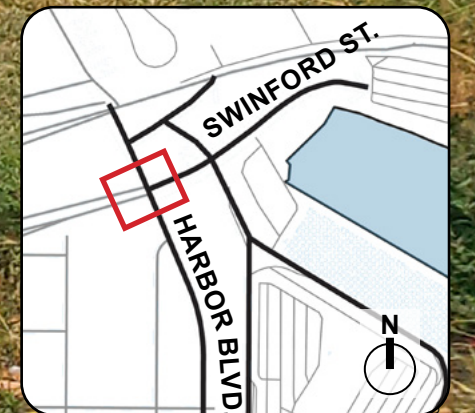
**WAYFINDING & CULTURAL  
KIOSKS**







Harbor from I-110: Current



Port of LA  
Gateway Sign

WELCOME TO  
**L.A. WATERFRONT**  
**SAN PEDRO**

Port of LA  
Smart Parking Pylon

**PUBLIC PARKING**

Los Angeles  
World Cruise Center  
↑ 200 SPACES

West Harbor  
→ 110 SPACES

22nd Street  
Parking Lot  
→ 115 SPACES

Planting Beautification

Harbor from I-110: Proposed Gateway Signage

# Improve Public Transit

## What We Heard (Issue):

**Pedro needs better transit service**

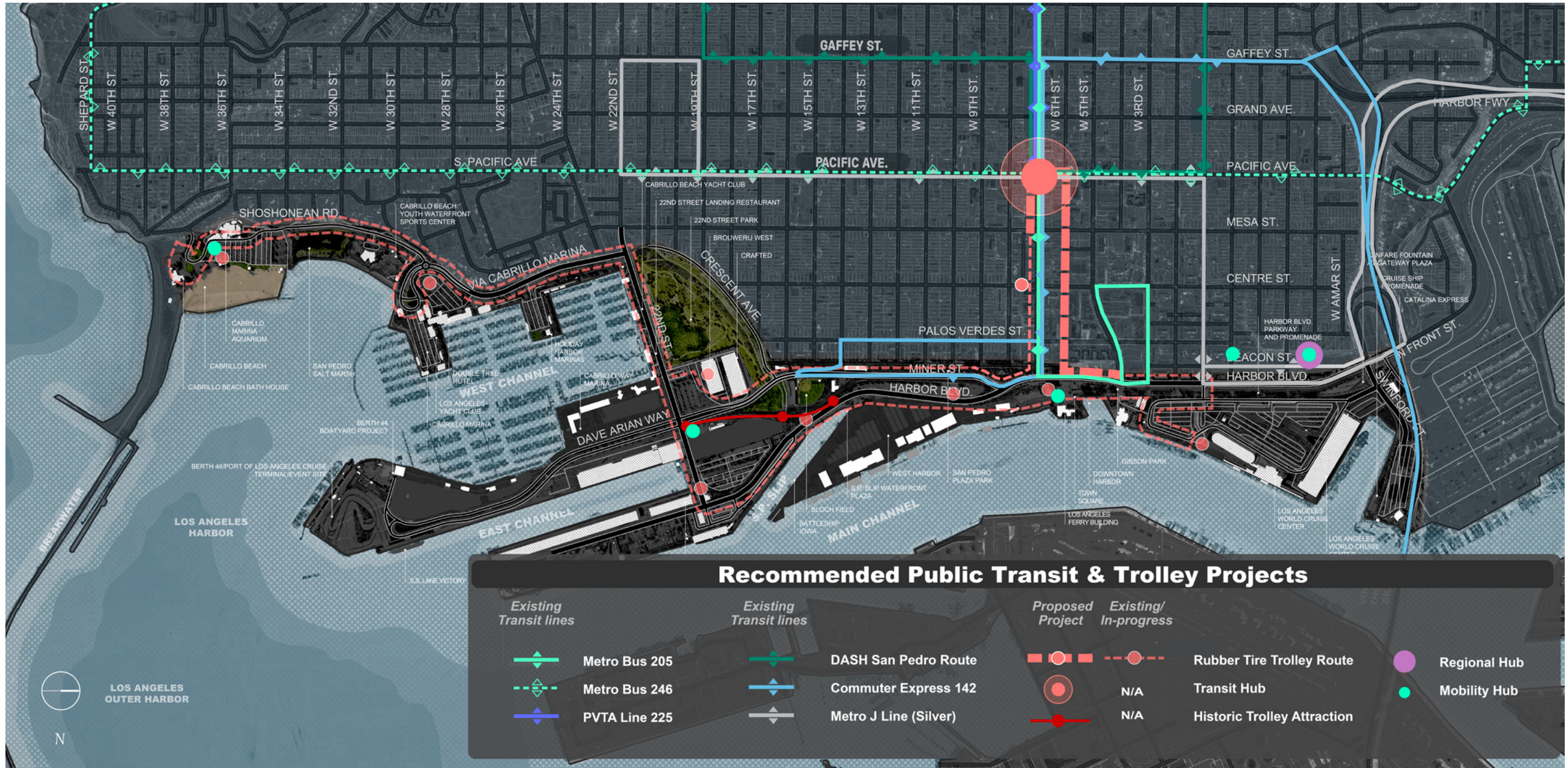
## Example Solutions:

- Establish a transit hub to link service with waterfront access
- Improve rubber tire trolley service
- Support MTA's proposal for light rail, LAX to L.A. Waterfront

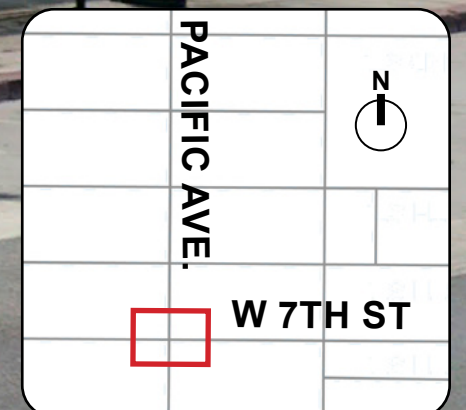


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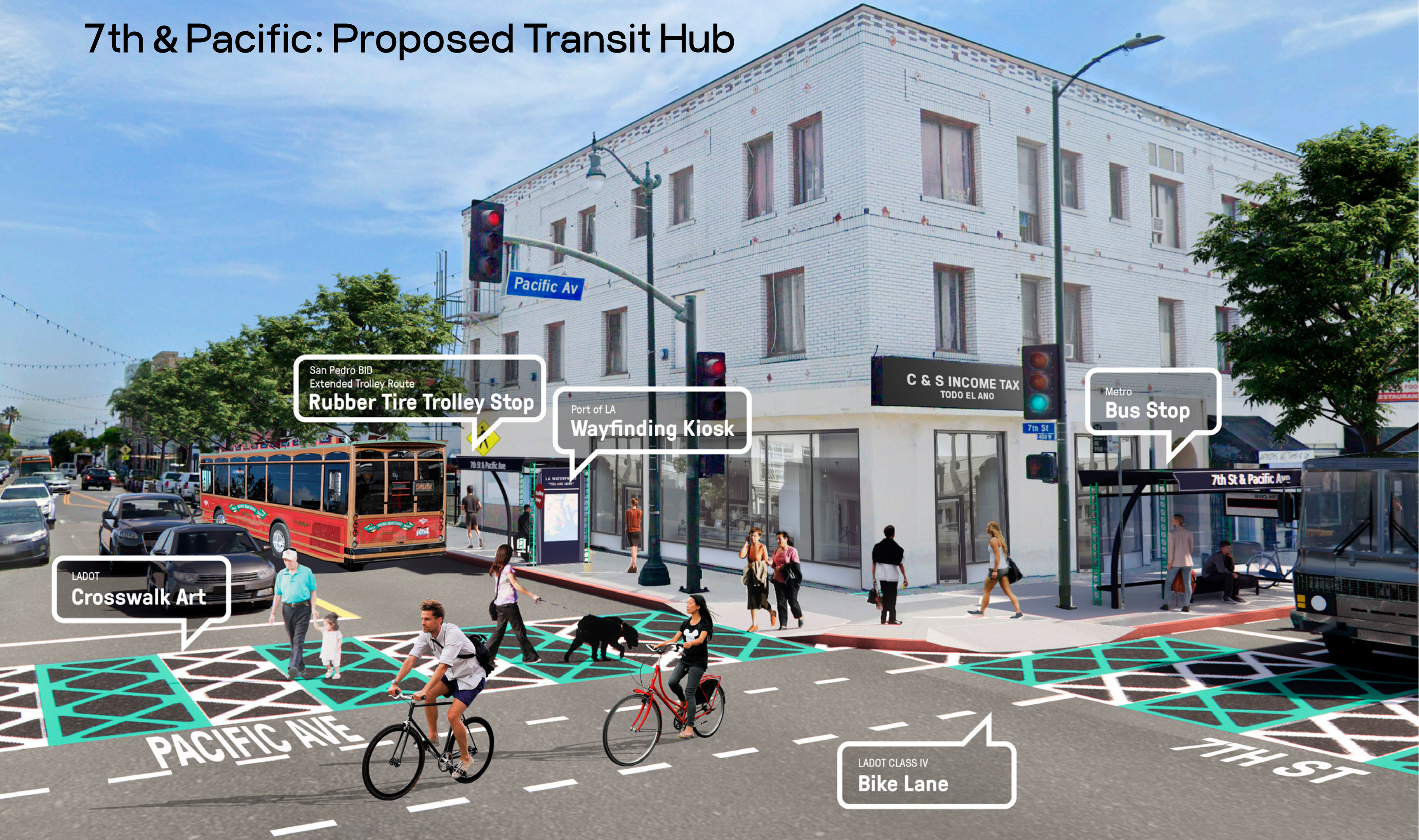
## Recommended Public Transit Projects



# 7th & Pacific: Current



# 7th & Pacific: Proposed Transit Hub



San Pedro BID  
Extended Trolley Route  
**Rubber Tire Trolley Stop**

Port of LA  
**Wayfinding Kiosk**

Metro  
**Bus Stop**

LADOT  
**Crosswalk Art**

LADOT CLASS IV  
**Bike Lane**

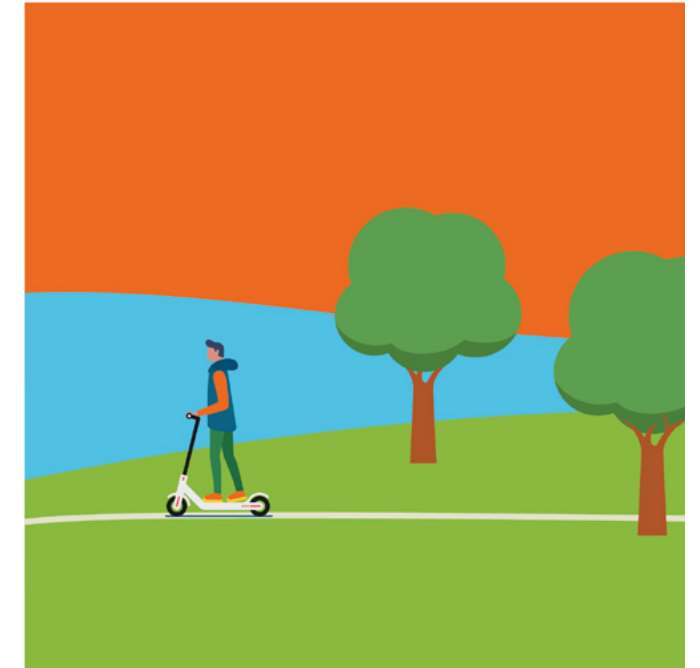
# Create Multi-benefit Public Access

## What We Heard (Issue):

**We need a more connected bike & walking path**

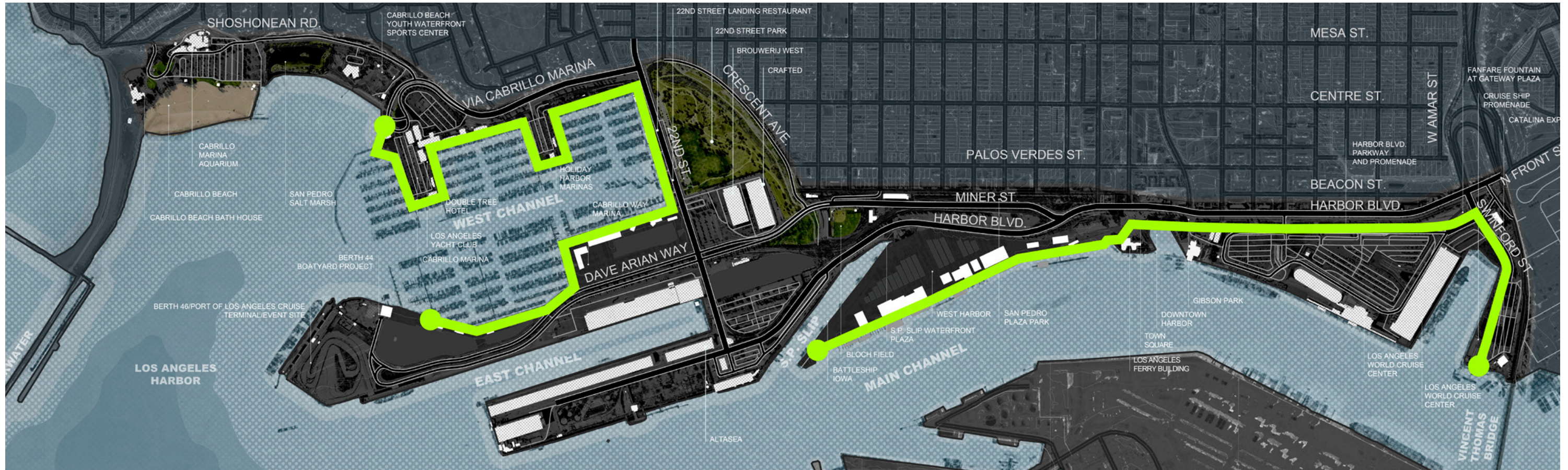
## Example Solutions:

- Provide a continuous shared use promenade from Catalina Express to the breakwater
- Enhance pedestrian and bike connections between San Pedro's neighborhoods, Wilmington, and the waterfront
- Promote universal access for all abilities



# Provide Multi-Benefit Public Access

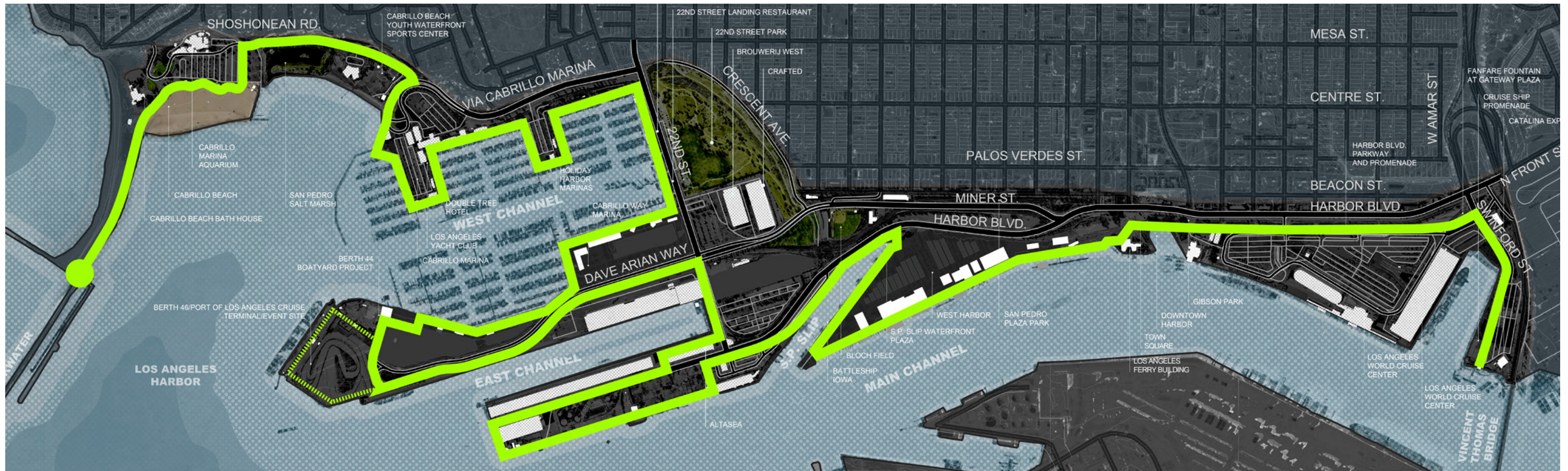
## Existing Promenade





# Provide Multi-Benefit Public Access

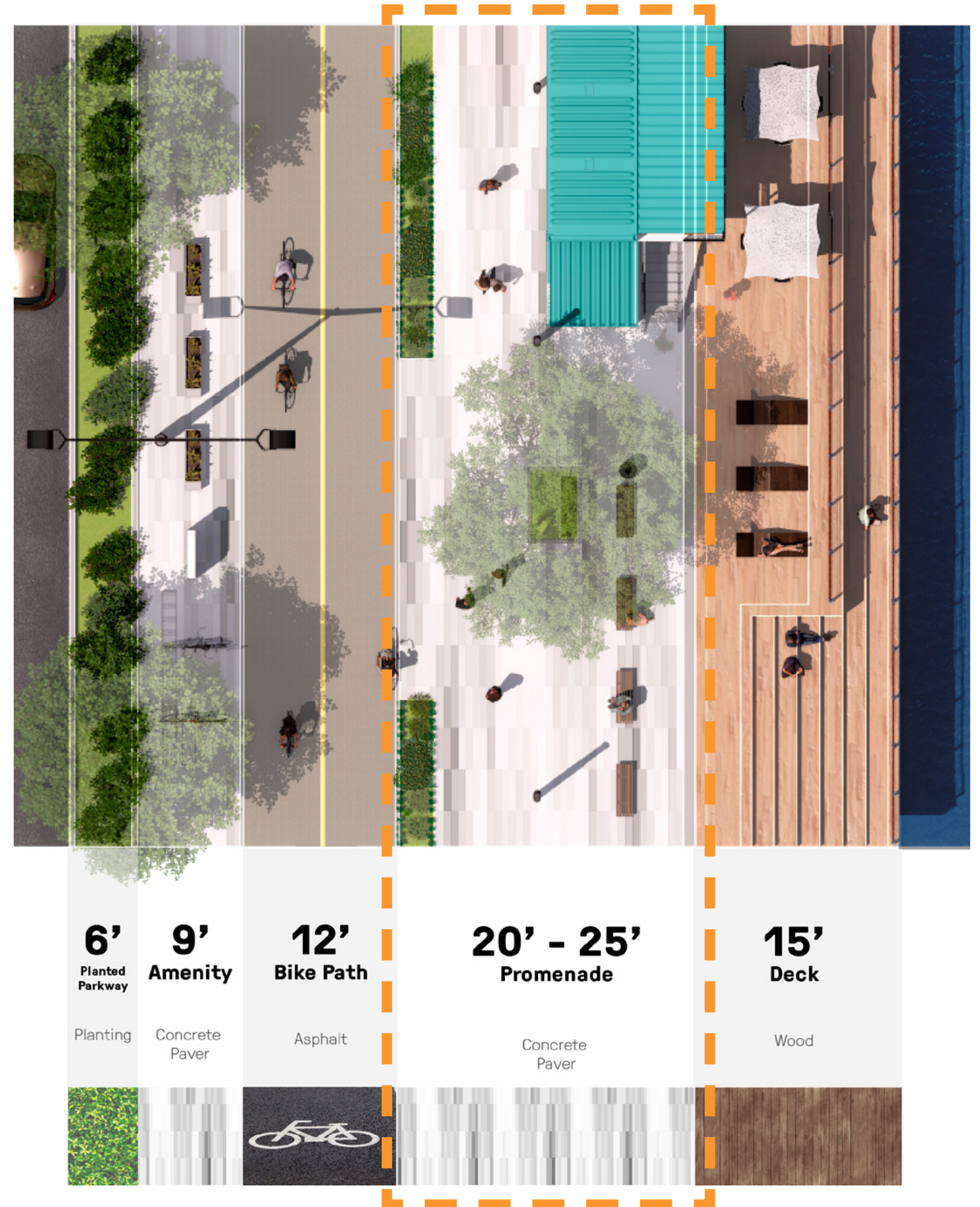
## Recommended Continuous Promenade



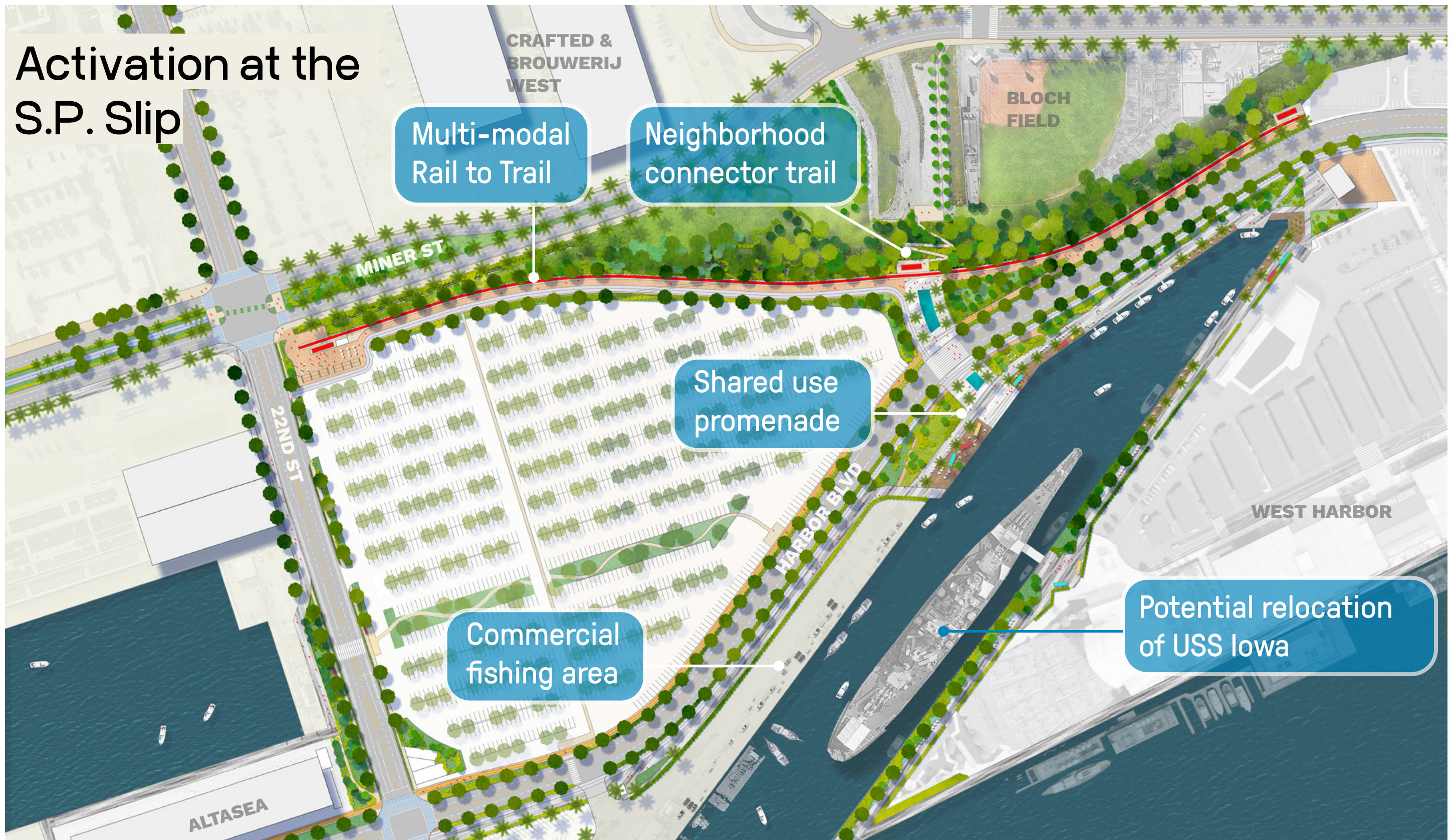
# Key Recommendations

## Promenade Design Recommendations

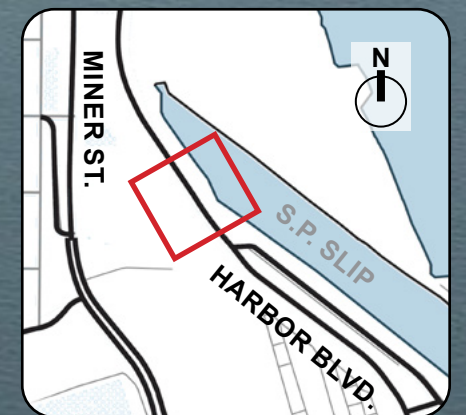
- At least 20 to 25 feet wide
- Ample space for shared circulation between pedestrians and non-motorized wheels
- Open space amenities, including seating, lighting, waste receptacles
- Material selection and design individualized for the character of each site
- Design should reflect the overall identity of San Pedro's waterfront



# Provide Multi-Benefit Public Access



# S.P. Slip: Current



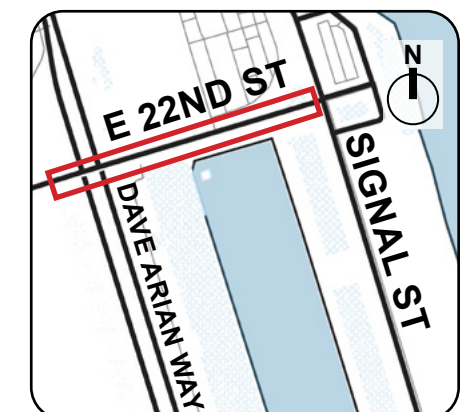
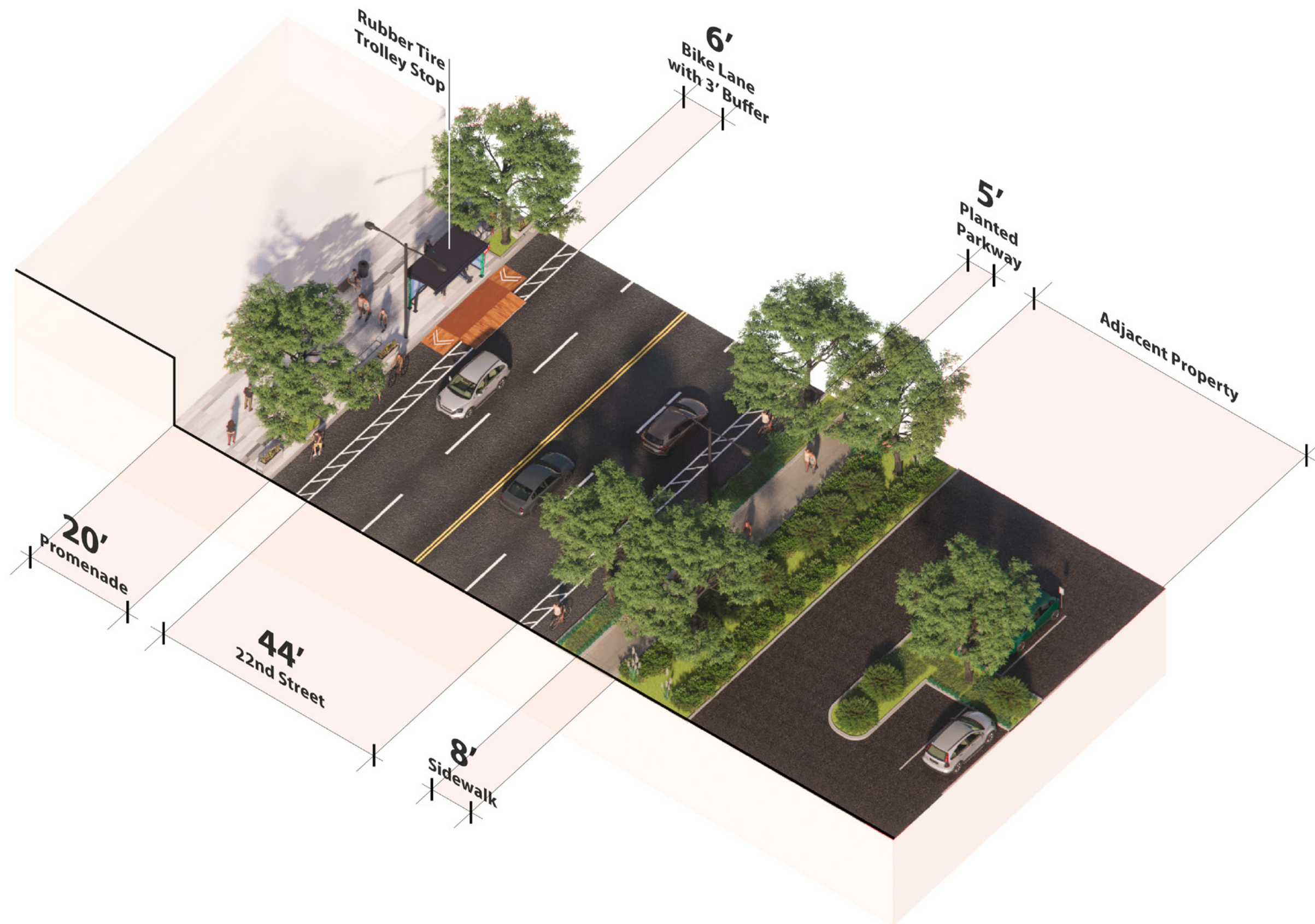
# S.P. Slip: Proposed Promenade & Open Space



HARBOR BLVD

SP SLIP

# 22nd Street: Proposed Complete Street



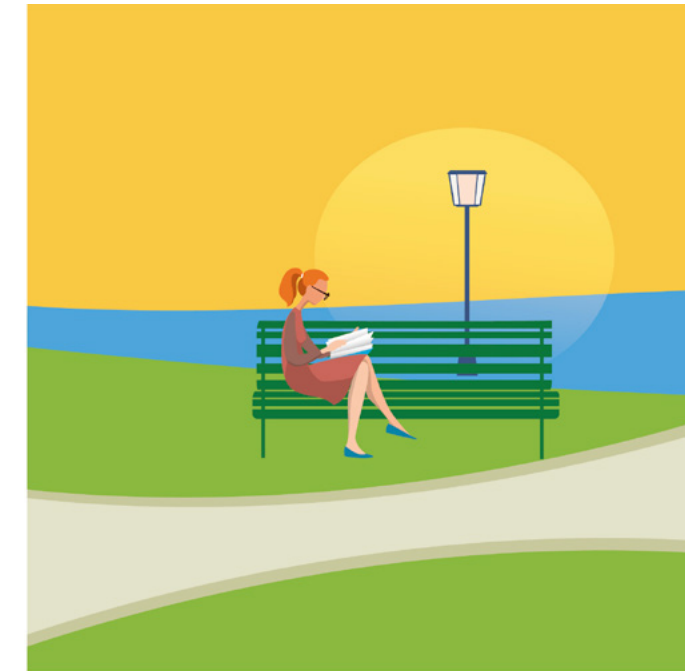
# Create Points of Interest

## What We Heard (Issue):

**More shade,  
more places  
to sit, more  
things to do**

## Example Solutions:

- Showcase San Pedro's art culture with a public art plan
- Provide an historic trolley car attraction for family fun
- Provide family-friendly public restrooms
- Include habitat for 1% of L.A. Waterfront area



# Create Points of Interest

## Open Space Design Recommendations



### Comfort & Safety

- Shade
- Lighting
- Seating
- Drinking fountains
- Family-friendly restrooms



### Recreation

- Playgrounds
- Picnic areas
- Pet amenities
- Sports & exercise
- Games for all ages
- History, art, & culture



### Accessibility

- Pathways
- Seating selection
- Restroom design
- Recreation amenities



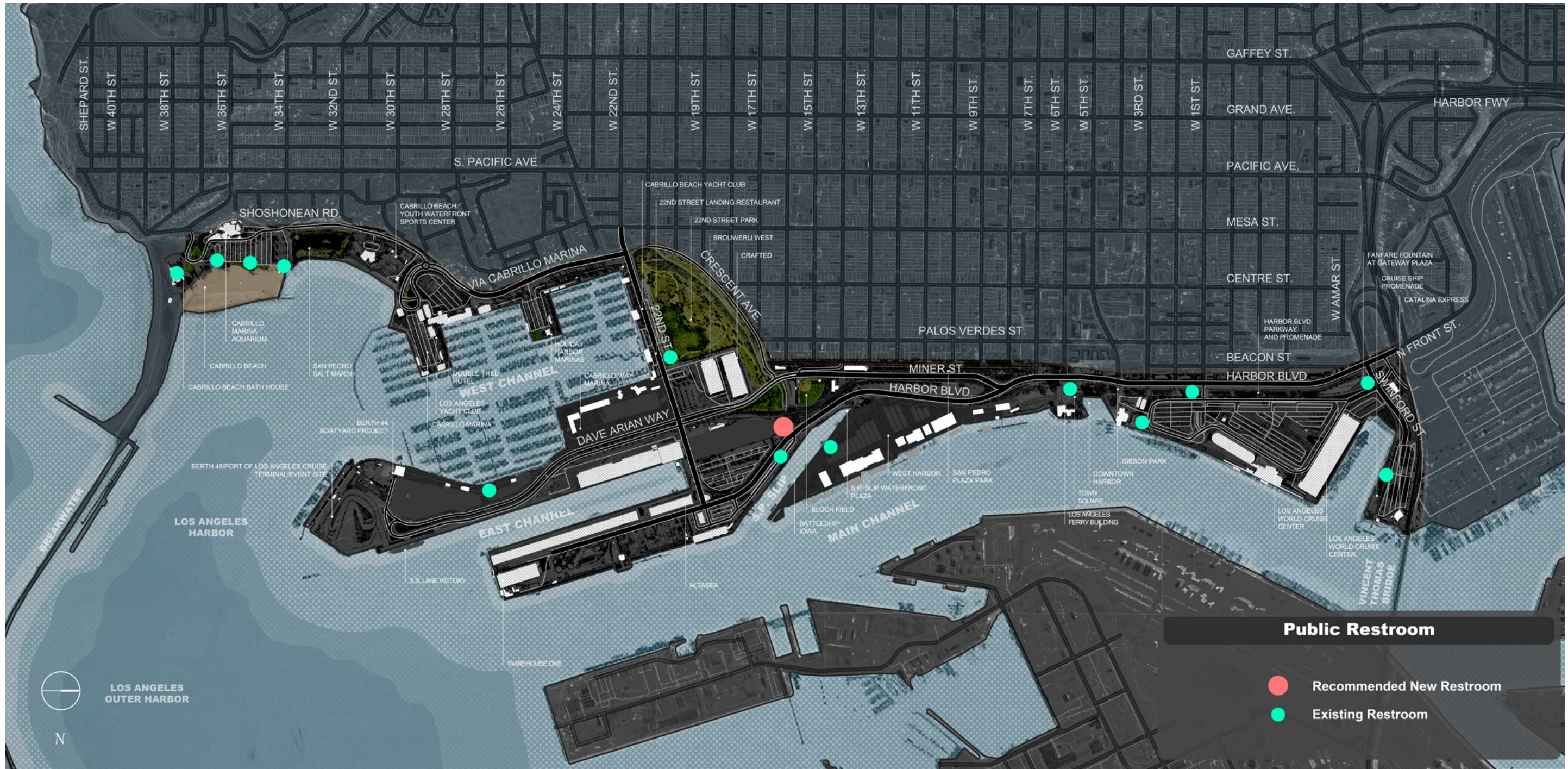
### Urban Greening & Habitat

- Native vegetation
- Canopy trees
- Stormwater BMPs
- 1% for habitat



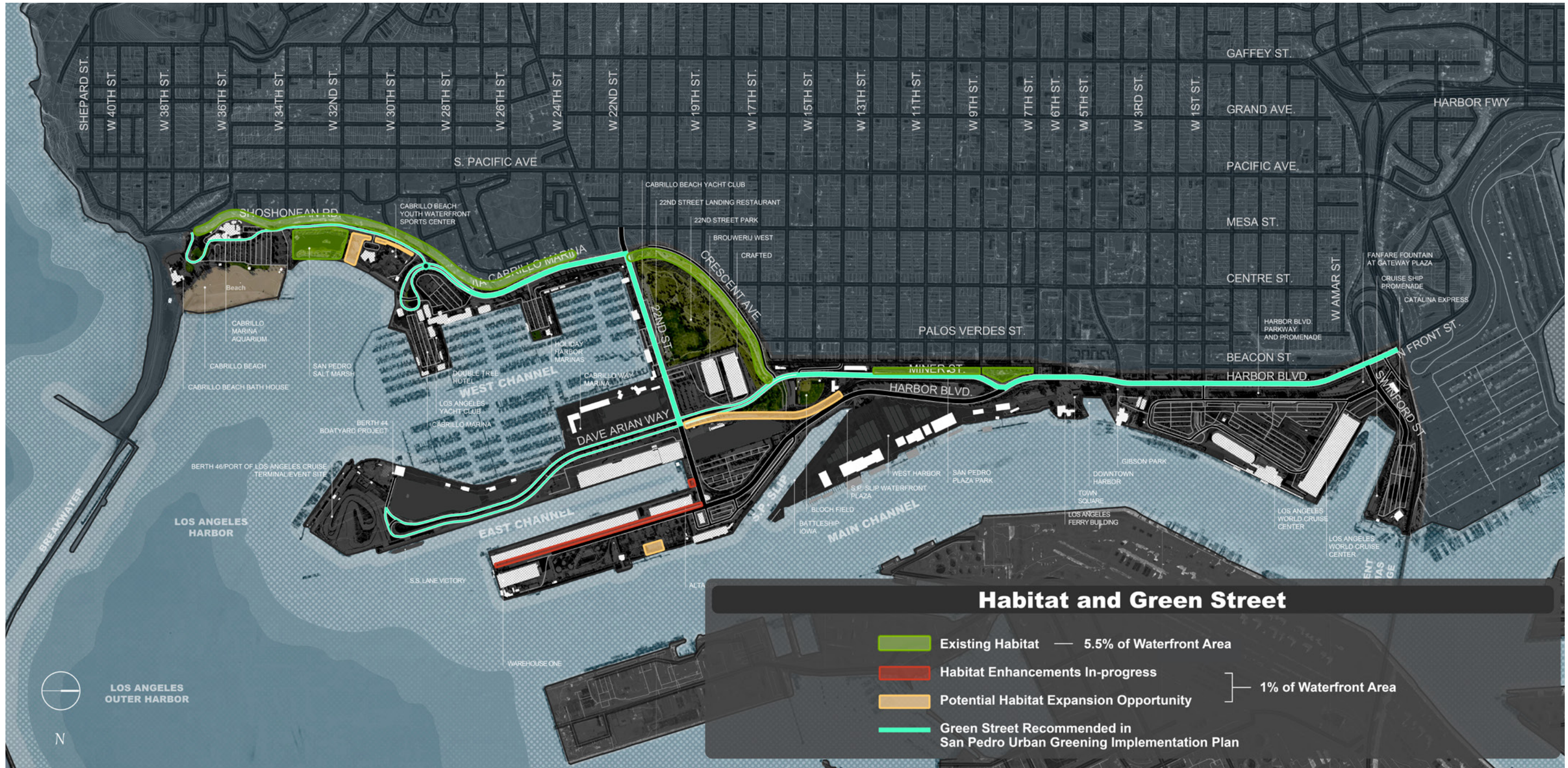
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## Public Restrooms



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## Habitat Opportunities



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## Recommended Art Installations (Examples)



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## Recommended Historic Trolley Attraction

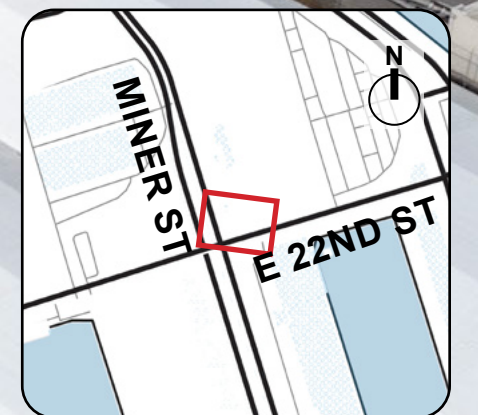


### Precedent: The Grove Trolley

- Free!
- Inductive power
- Shares pedestrian space
- 1-3:45pm; 5-8:45pm daily



# 22nd & Miner: Current



# 22nd & Miner: Proposed Trolley Attraction & Mobility Hub



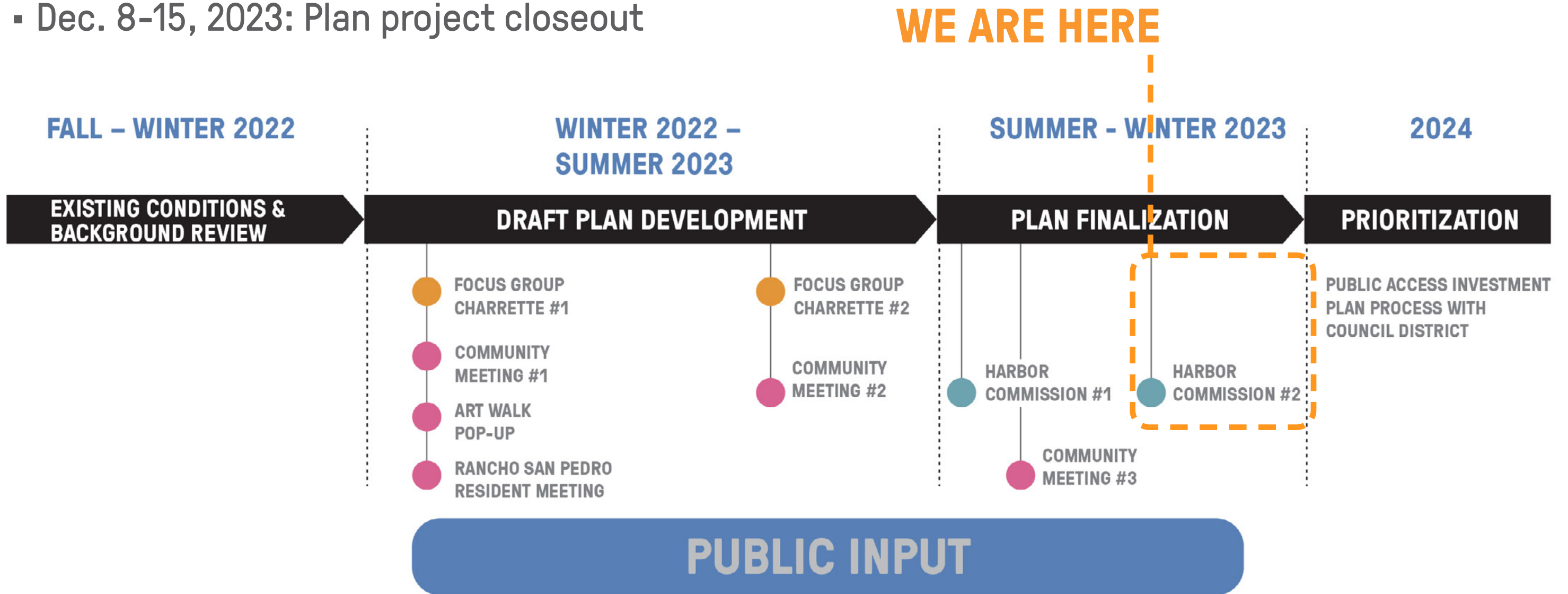
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# Project Timeline

## Finalizing the Plan

- Dec. 7, 2023: Presentation of final plan
- Dec. 8-15, 2023: Plan project closeout





# Any Questions?

