

Preliminary Draft Summary | 2026

An update of the Open Space Element of the City of Los Angeles' General Plan is underway to incorporate environmental justice, climate resilience and rewilding concepts, in accordance with Senate Bill 1425. The Open Space Element guides identifying, preserving, expanding, and enhancing open spaces that serve the recreational, environmental, and health needs of the City. Initial public engagement began in spring 2024 and will continue through the adoption process. The goals proposed in the Open Space Element Preliminary Draft are summarized below.



Open space that is composed of adequate and equitably distributed land and water.

- Prioritization of highest park need areas
- Acquisition and expansion of new open space
- Connecting open spaces



Open space with coordinated and inclusive planning, management, and stewardship.

- Inclusive outreach and engagement
- Coordinated management and partnerships
- Joint-use agreements
- Anti-displacement strategies



Open space that provides equitable access to safe, high quality environments, facilities and programs that serve diverse needs.

- Recreational programming and stewardship opportunities
- Multi-modal access to and within open spaces
- Inclusive planning and design



Open space that strengthens climate resilience and provides environmental and public health benefits.

- Resilient design and infrastructure in open spaces
- Climate hazard preparedness and risk management
- Nature-based solutions



Open space that supports healthy ecosystems and healthy people.

- Pollution prevention and remediation
- Rewilding and restoration of ecosystem processes
- Conservation and preservation of open space resources



Open spaces that preserve historic resources and supports cultural practices.

- Historic open spaces and cultural landscapes
- Cultural practices and traditions
- Tribal priorities and stewardship



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