

Los Angeles River Bike Path Gap Closure

Recommendations

- **Receive and File the Los Angeles River Bike Path Gap Closure Feasibility Study**
 - **Engineering feasibility considering**
 - **Neighborhood connectivity and character of the surrounding communities**
 - **Regional significance as a network gap closure**
 - **Safety and hydraulic performance**
 - **Environmental, permitting, and real estate requirements**
 - **Construction cost and maintenance needs**



Project Area



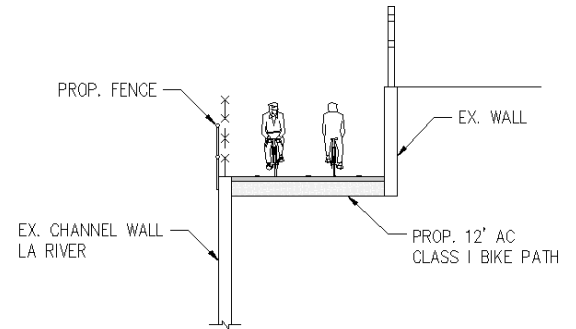
LEGEND

-  Project Area
-  Proposed Bike Path
-  Los Angeles River

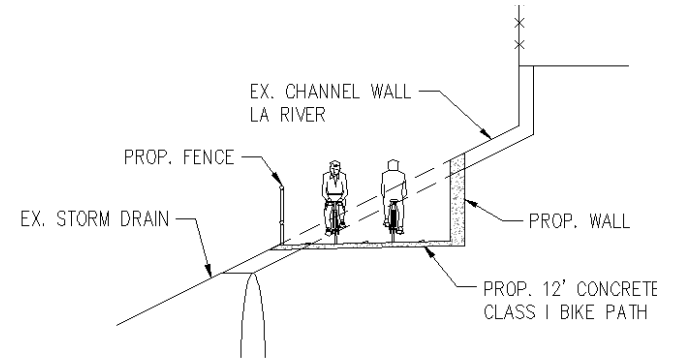
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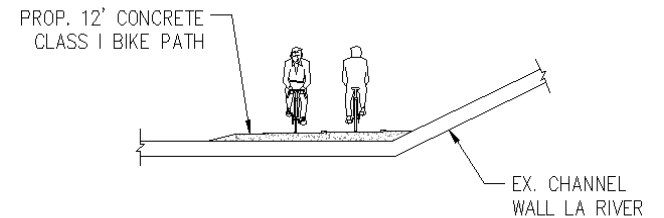
Top of bank



Side cut



Channel bottom



Findings

- **Engineering**

- Feasible to close gap with creative engineering
- Requires close coordination with adjacent rail operations and development projects

- **Environmental**

- No hydraulic impacts expected
- Many potentially impacted bridges are historical
- Need to coordinate with river restoration efforts

- **Estimated cost: \$200 - \$320M**

- 8 miles of grade-separated path and 16 access points
- Varies with alignment, access point, and bridge crossing treatments
- Includes 40% cost for contingency, engineering, permitting, real estate, and construction administration
- Cost/ mile consistent with other similar LA River Bike Path segments



Next Steps

- **Pending Board approval, staff will develop a scope of work for the Project Approval/ Environmental Documentation consultant team**
- **Advance letter to the Army Corps of Engineers**
- **Continue to coordinate with agencies and stakeholders**

