



Los Angeles County Green Zones Ordinance

FACILITY AND PLAN REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE

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Green Zones Program

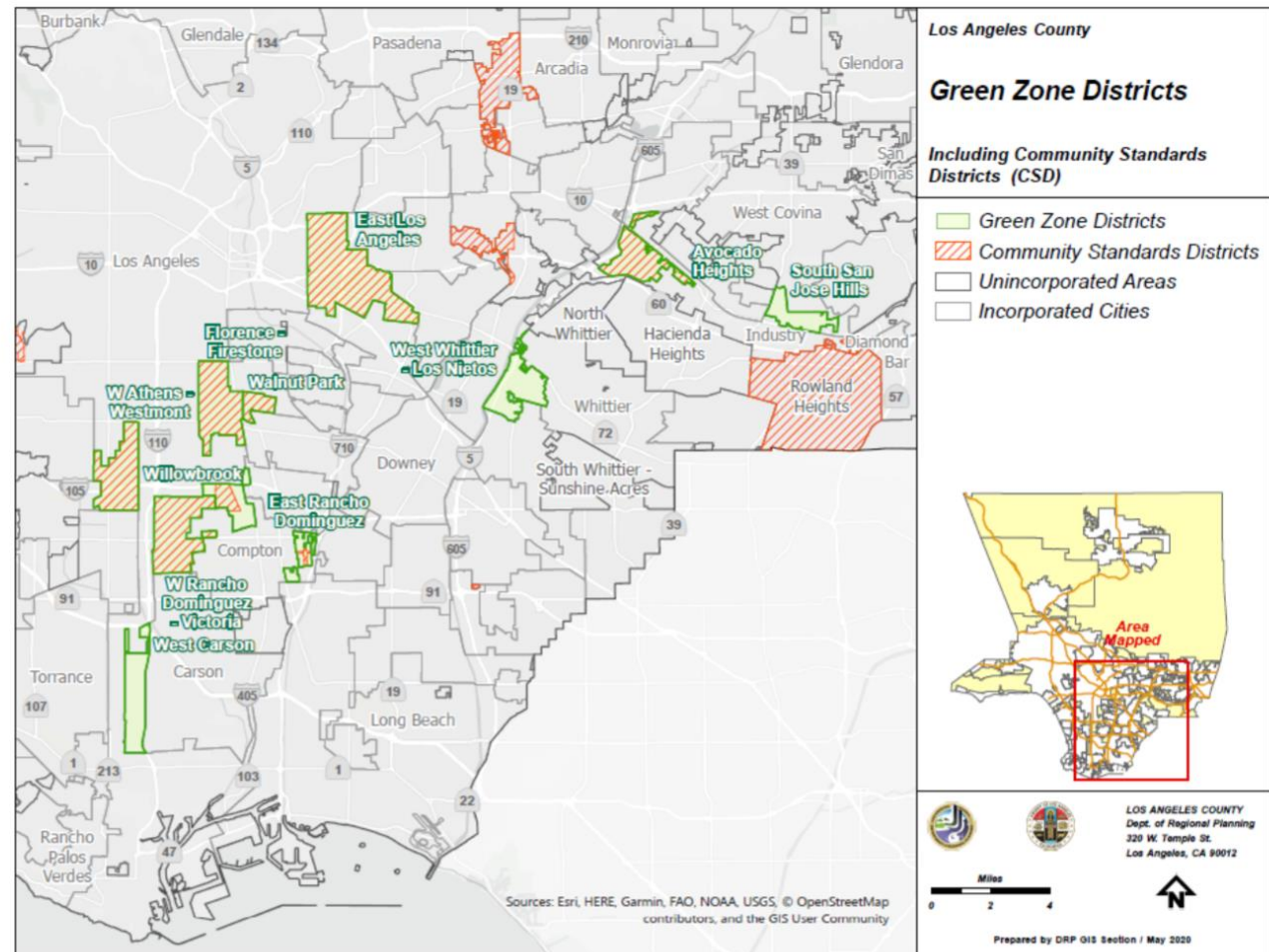
- Initiated by the Board of Supervisors in 2015 to enhance public health and land use compatibility in the unincorporated communities.
- Draft ordinance being developed by the Department of Regional Planning
 - Zoning requirements, permitting requirements, and development standards for specified uses, including recycling and solid waste facilities
- Business Incentive and Support Program
- General Plan Amendment to ensure consistency with revisions



Zoning Code Changes

Identification of Green Zone Districts (22.84):

- Avocado Heights
- East Los Angeles
- East Rancho Dominguez
- Florence-Firestone,
- South San Jose Hills,
- Walnut Park
- West Athens-Westmont
- West Carson
- West Rancho Dominguez-Victoria
- West Whittier-Los Nietos
- Willowbrook



Main Elements

Green Zones Districts – additional requirements within 500 feet of a sensitive use.

New Sensitive Uses – new development standards for new sensitive uses near existing recycling and solid waste facilities.

Recycling and Waste Management Revisions – allow permitting of organic waste facilities and additional requirements for future recycling and solid waste facilities.

Storage Enclosures for Recycling and Solid Waste Revisions – additional requirements for construction, maintenance, distance, circulation, etc.

Addition of New Uses and Re-defining/Categorizing Uses – addition of specific recycling and solid waste uses, such as anaerobic digestion, chipping and grinding, mulching, and composting.

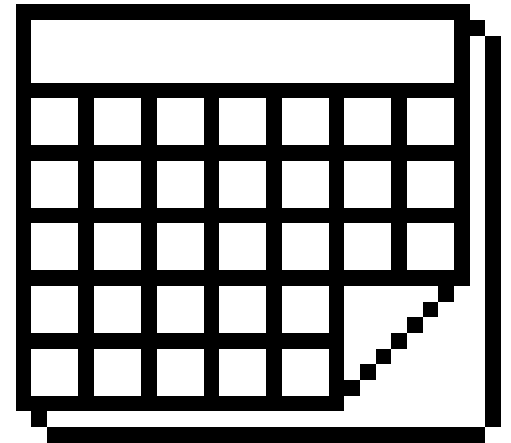
Effects

- Supports Bottle Bill, Assembly Bill 341, and Senate Bill 1383 compliance
- Facilitates recycling and organic waste processing through clear zoning requirements and simplified permitting
- Creates new requirements on facility development in:

Hillside Management Areas (HMAs)	Los Angeles County Floodways
Significant Ecological Areas (SEAs)	FEMA 100-Year Flood Zones
Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones (VHFHSZs)	Within 1,500 feet of a lot containing sensitive uses
Agricultural Resources Areas (ARAs)	

Timeline

- Public review draft ordinance - May 22, 2020
- Initial Study - June 2020
- A Notice of Preparation and Notice of Scoping for an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) - June 2020
- Public Meetings – July – August 2020
- Draft Preliminary Health Impact Assessment – July 2020
- Draft Environmental Impact Report – expected October 2020
- Regional Planning Commission hearing - expected early 2021
- Board of Supervisors consideration - expected March 2021





Questions?

<http://planning.lacounty.gov/greenzones>