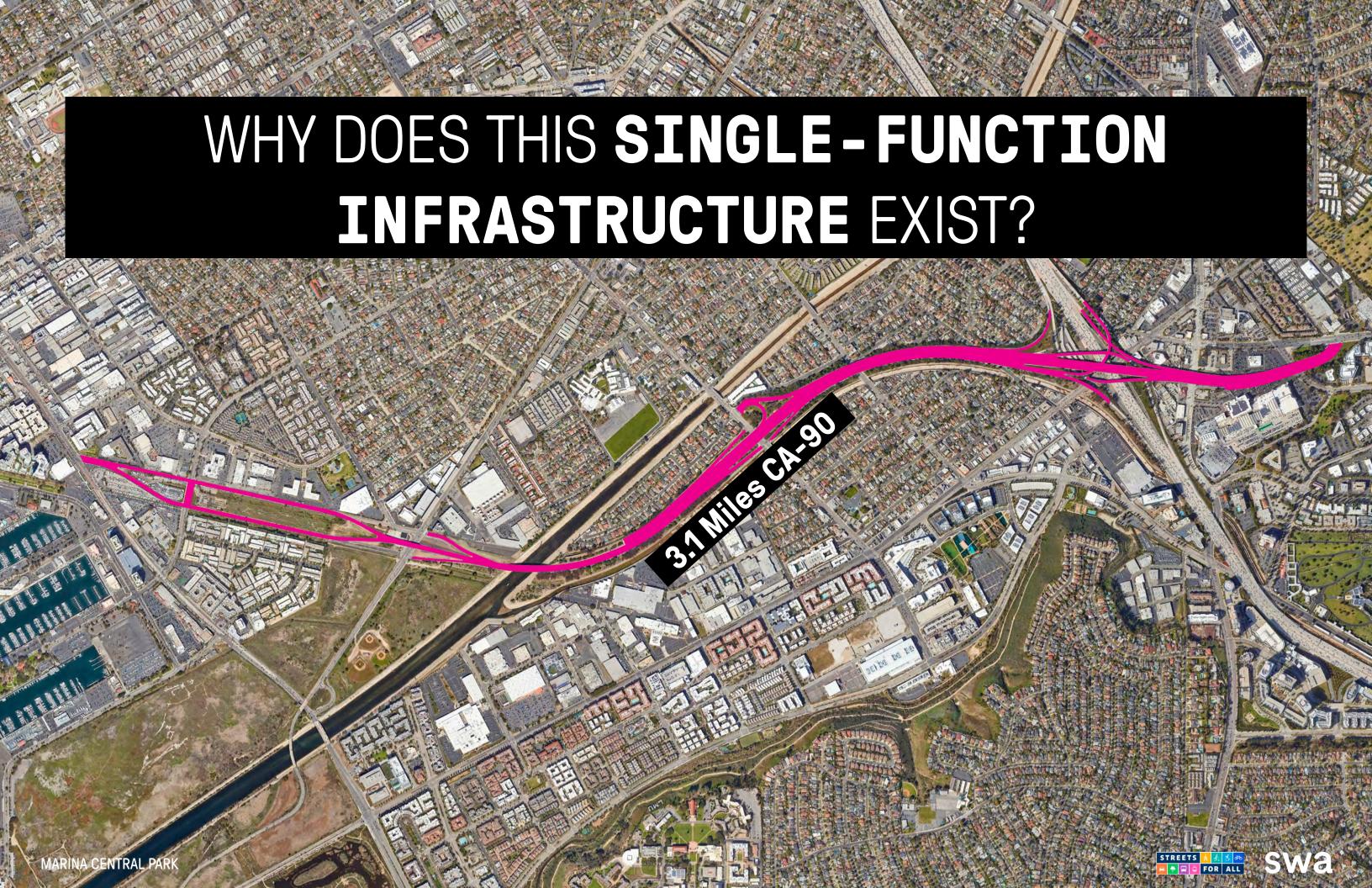
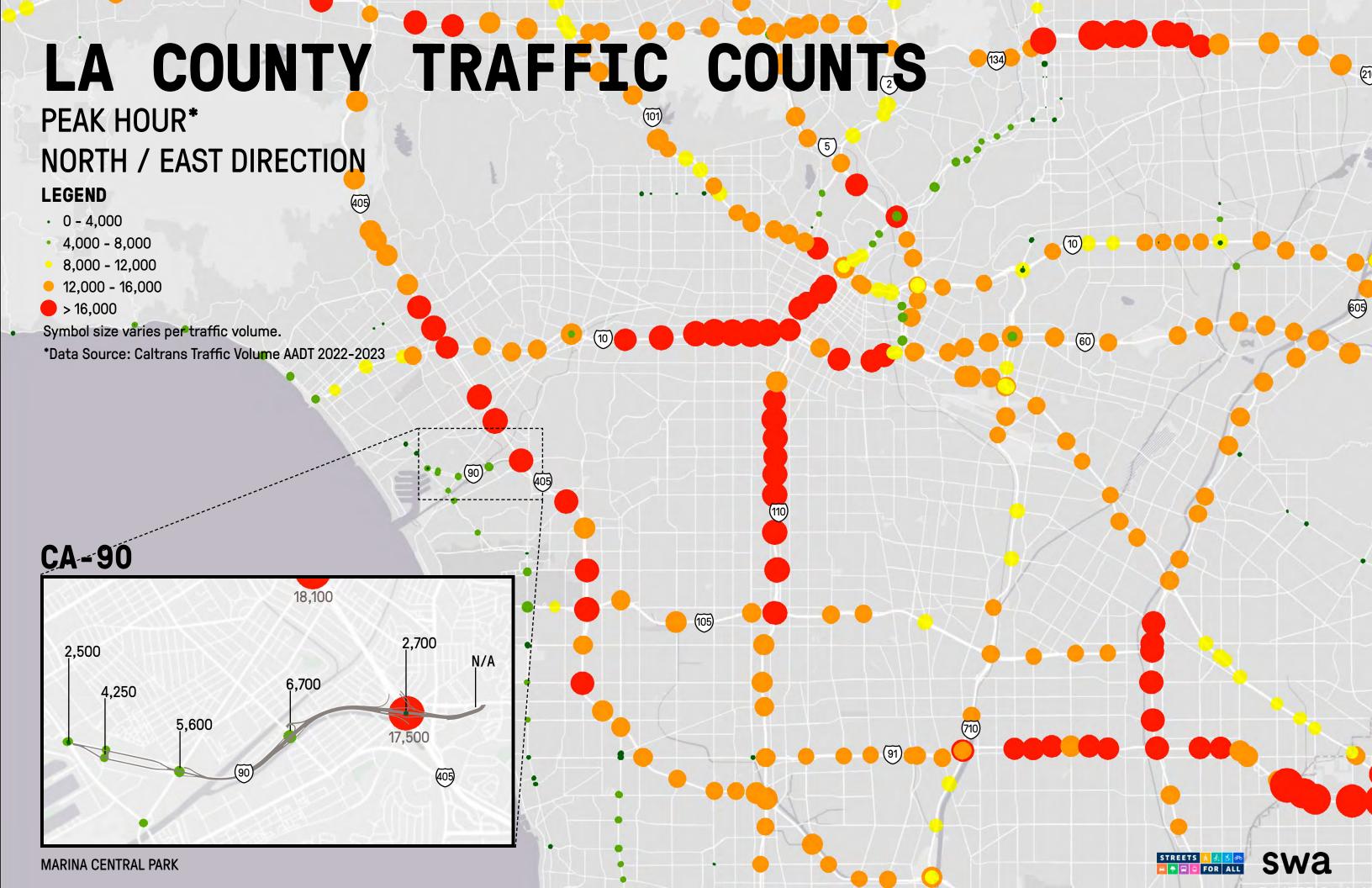
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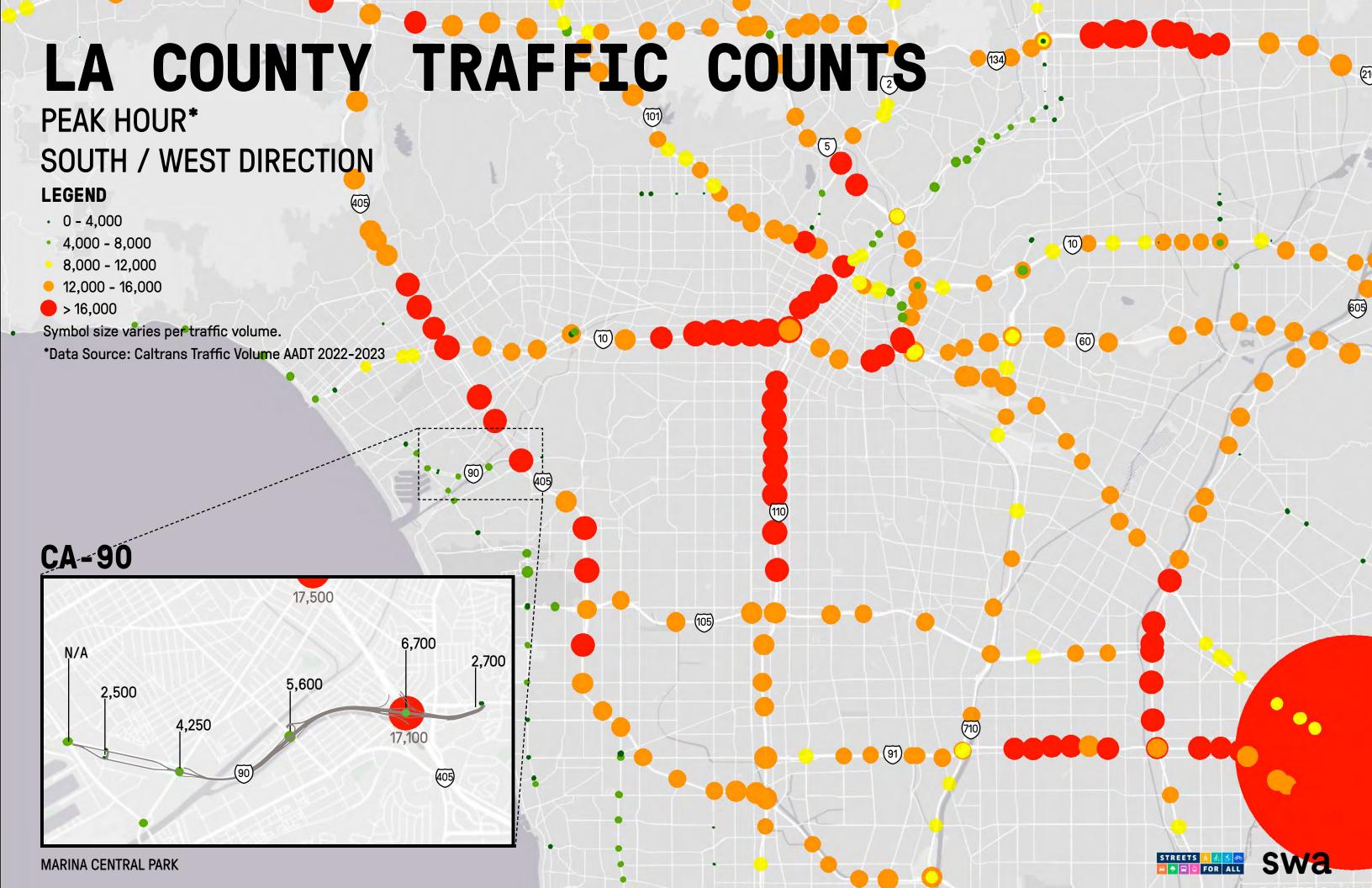
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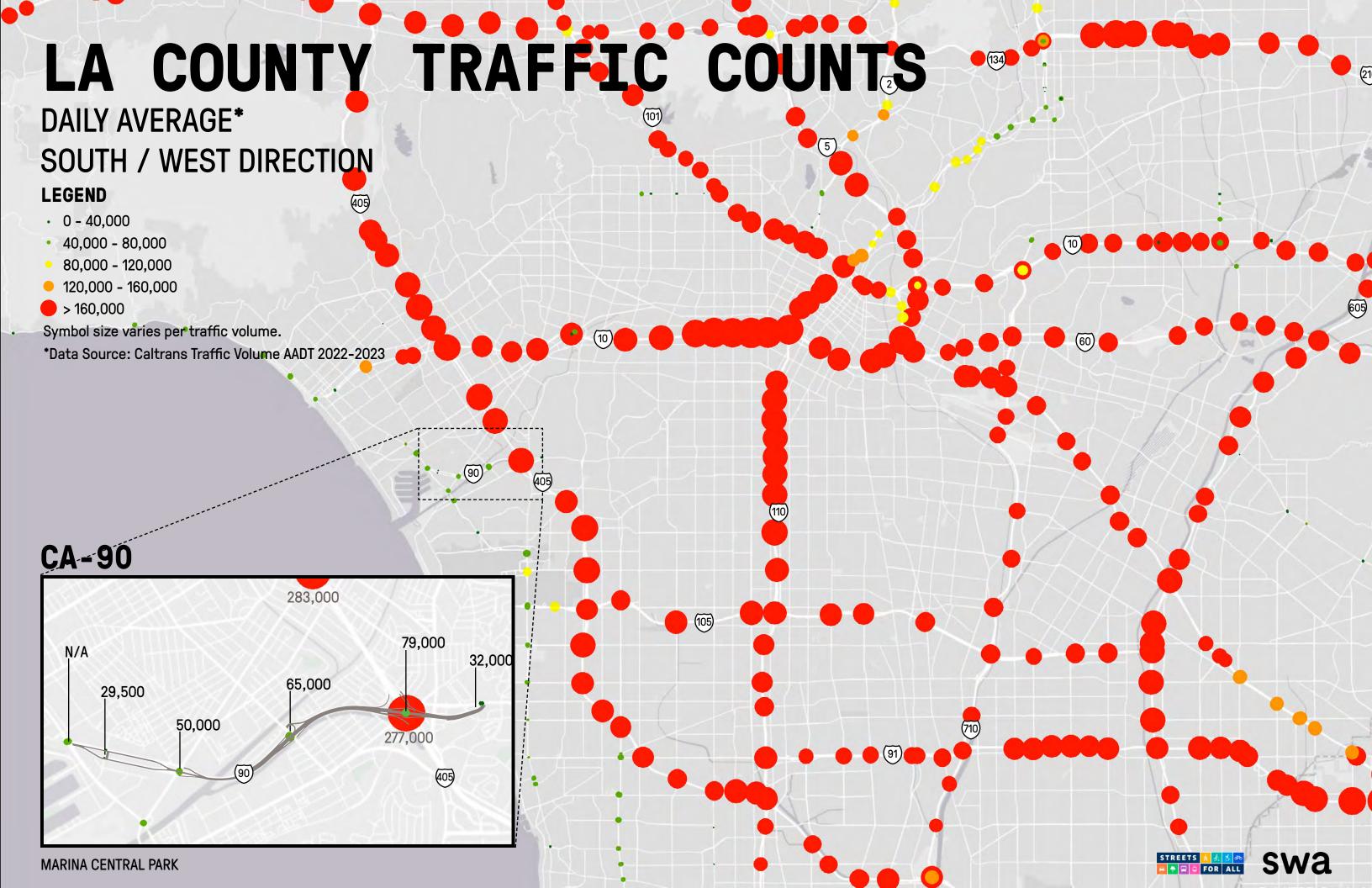








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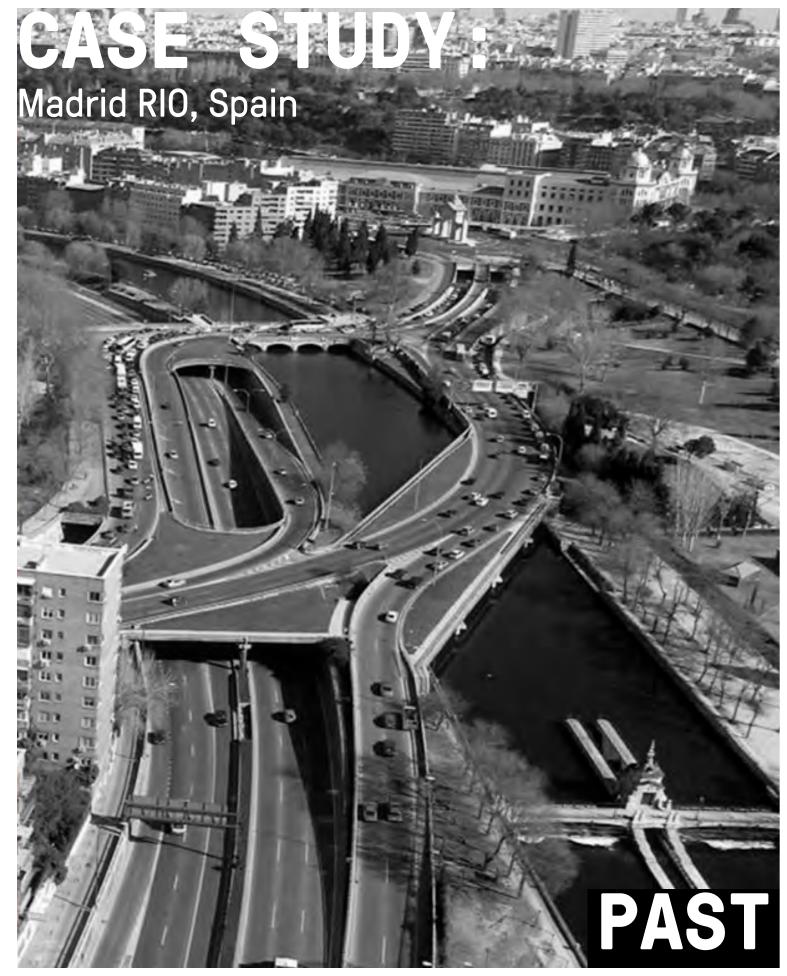


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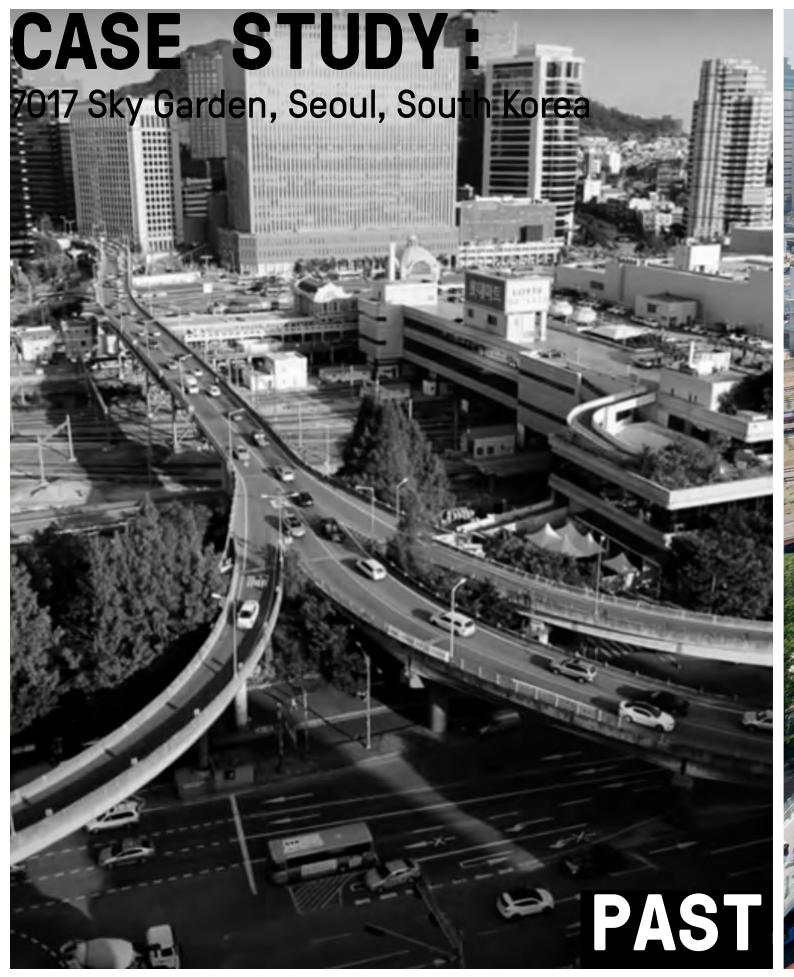


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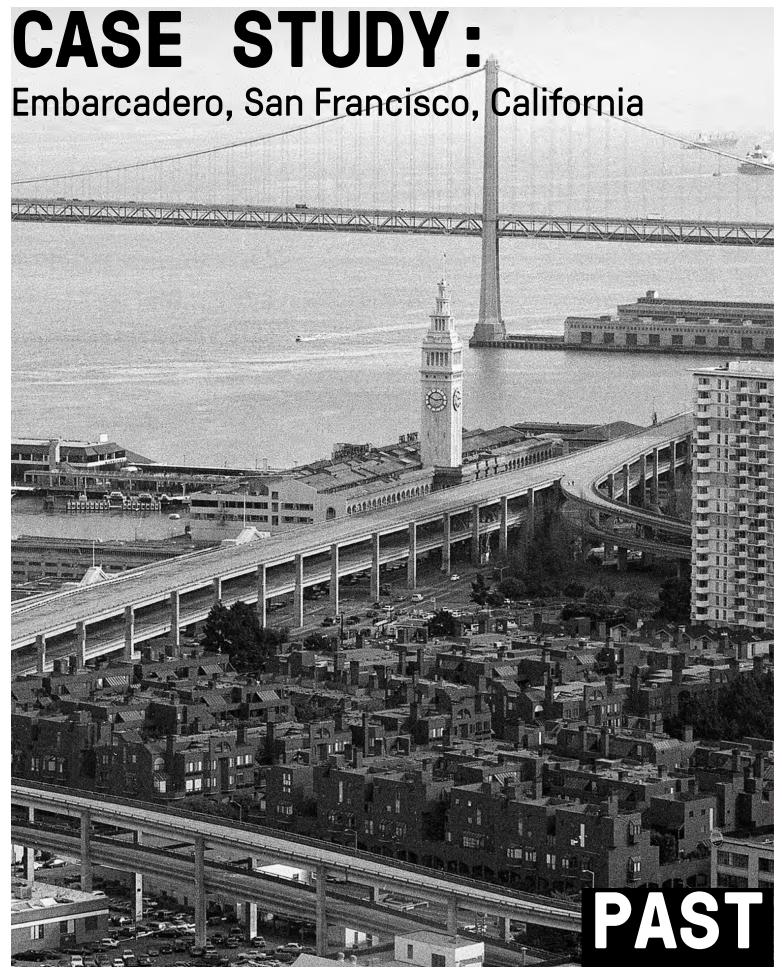




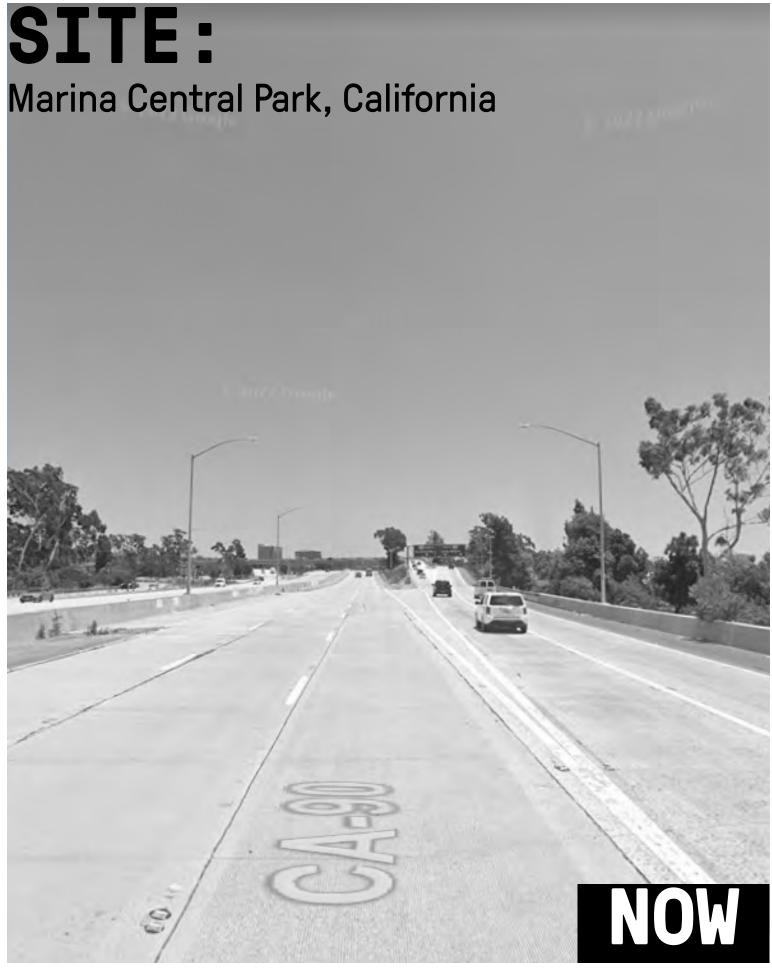






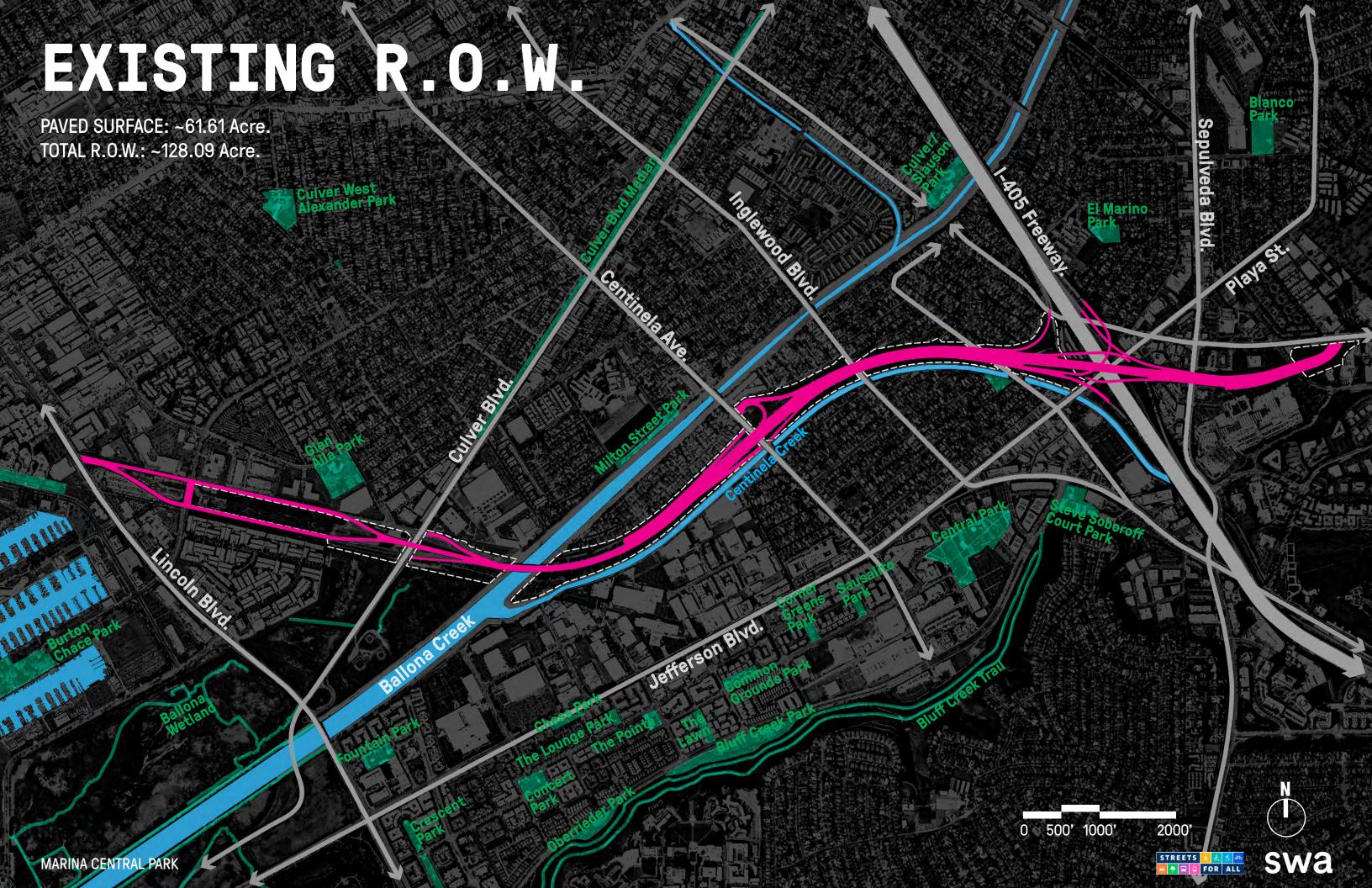










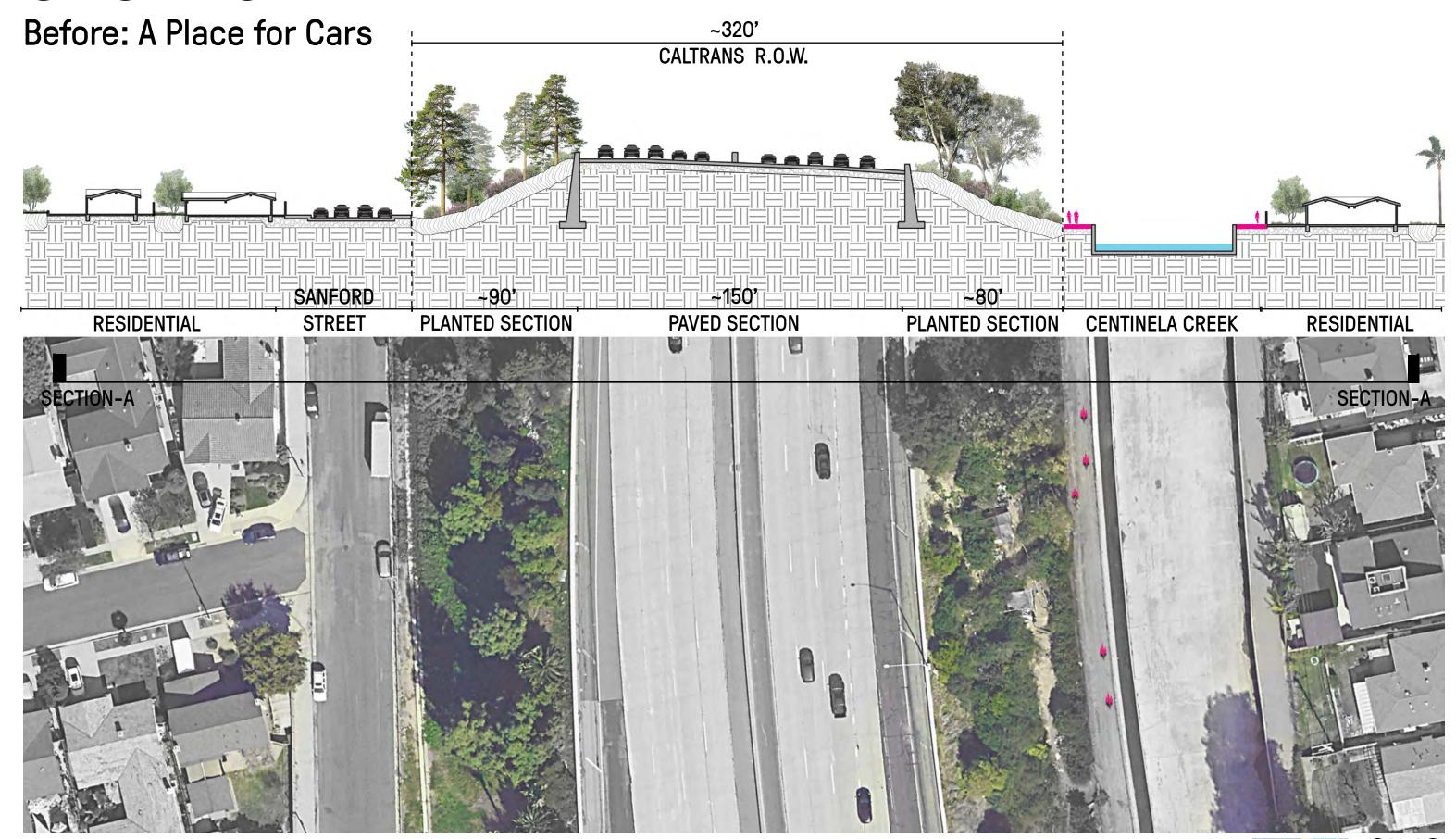


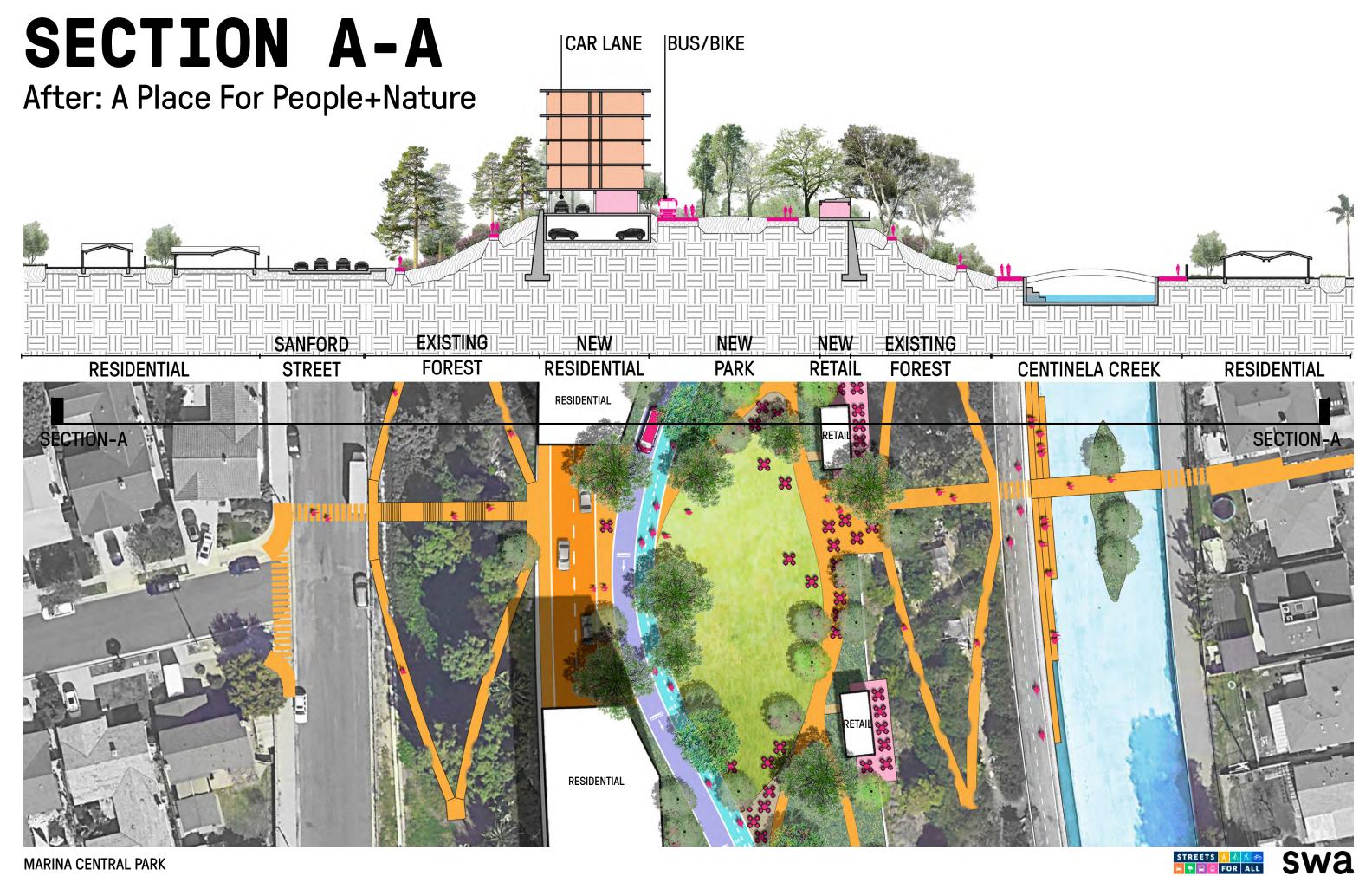


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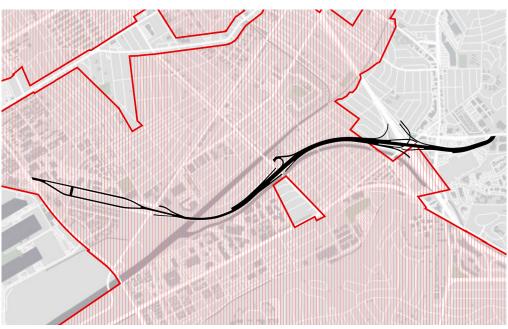
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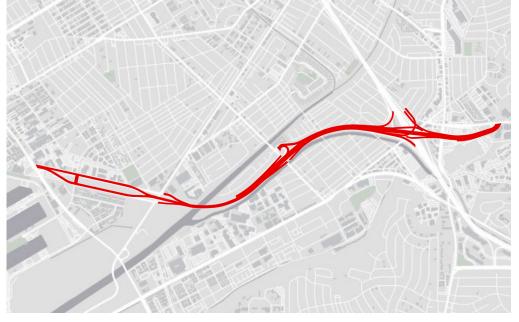




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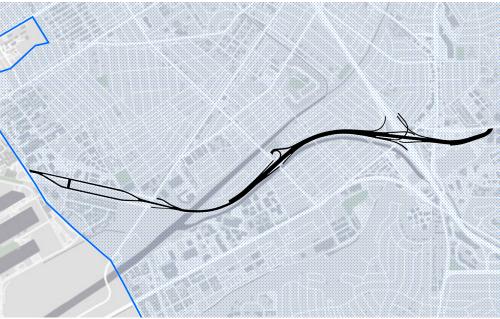
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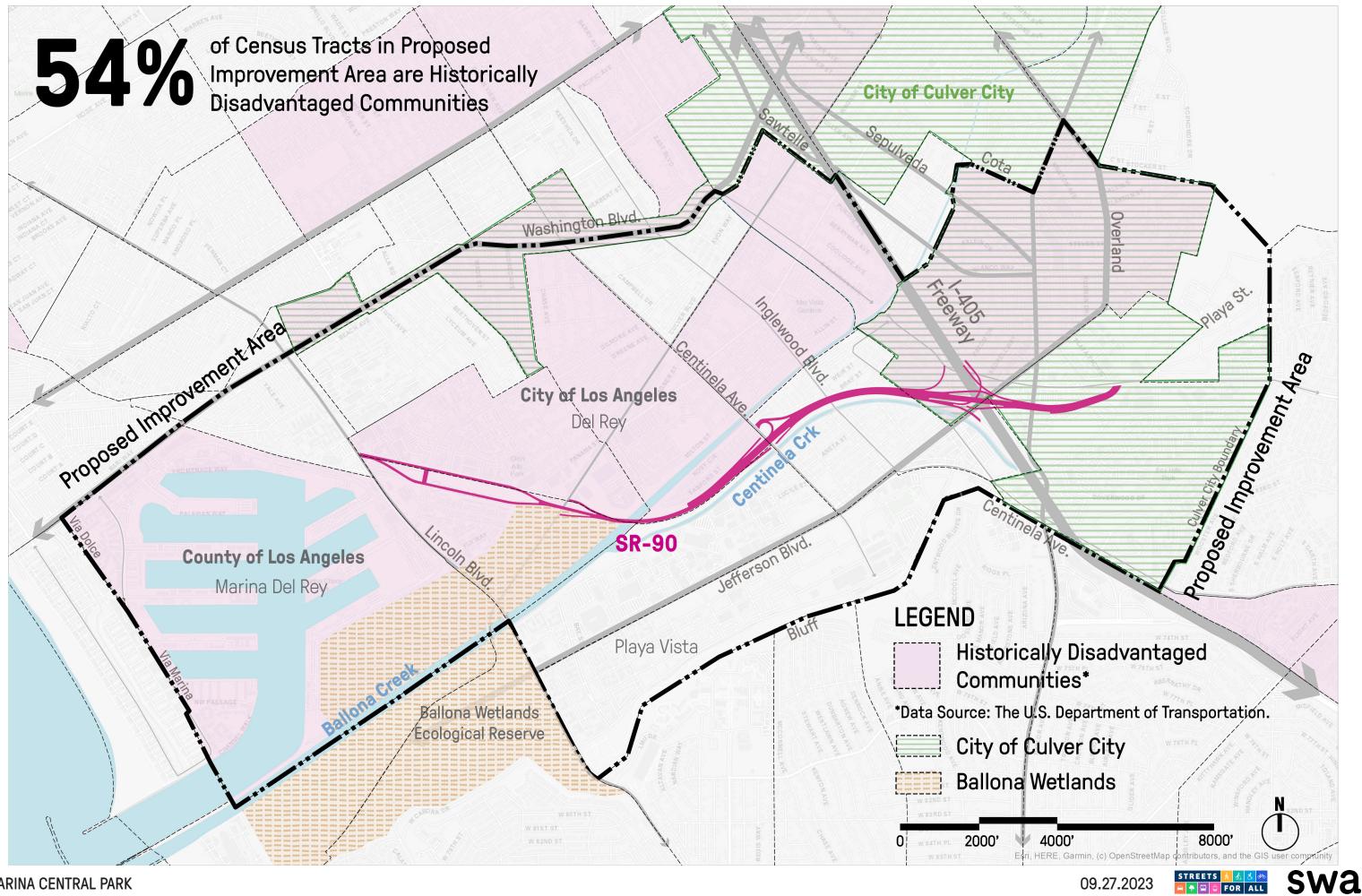


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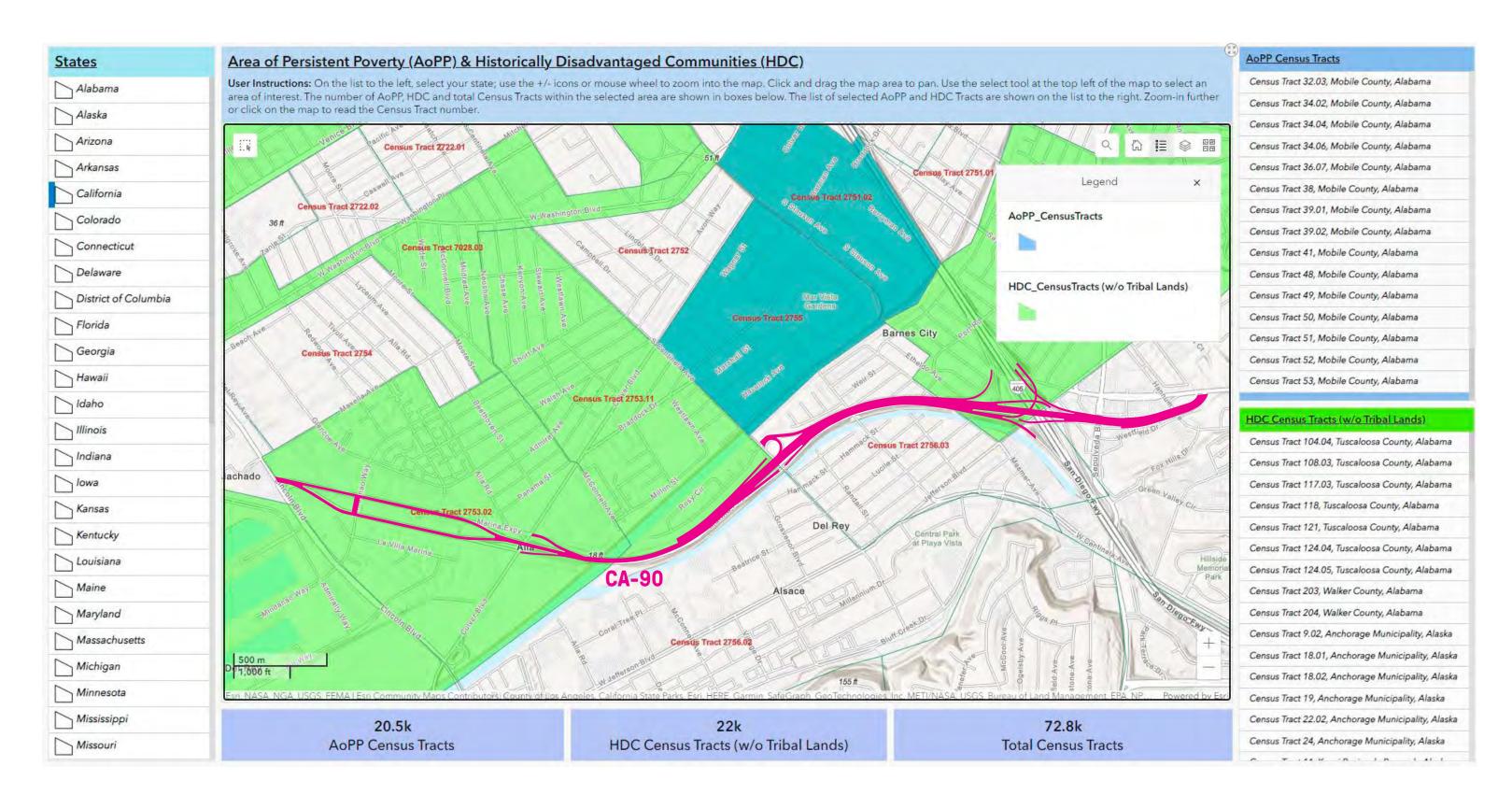


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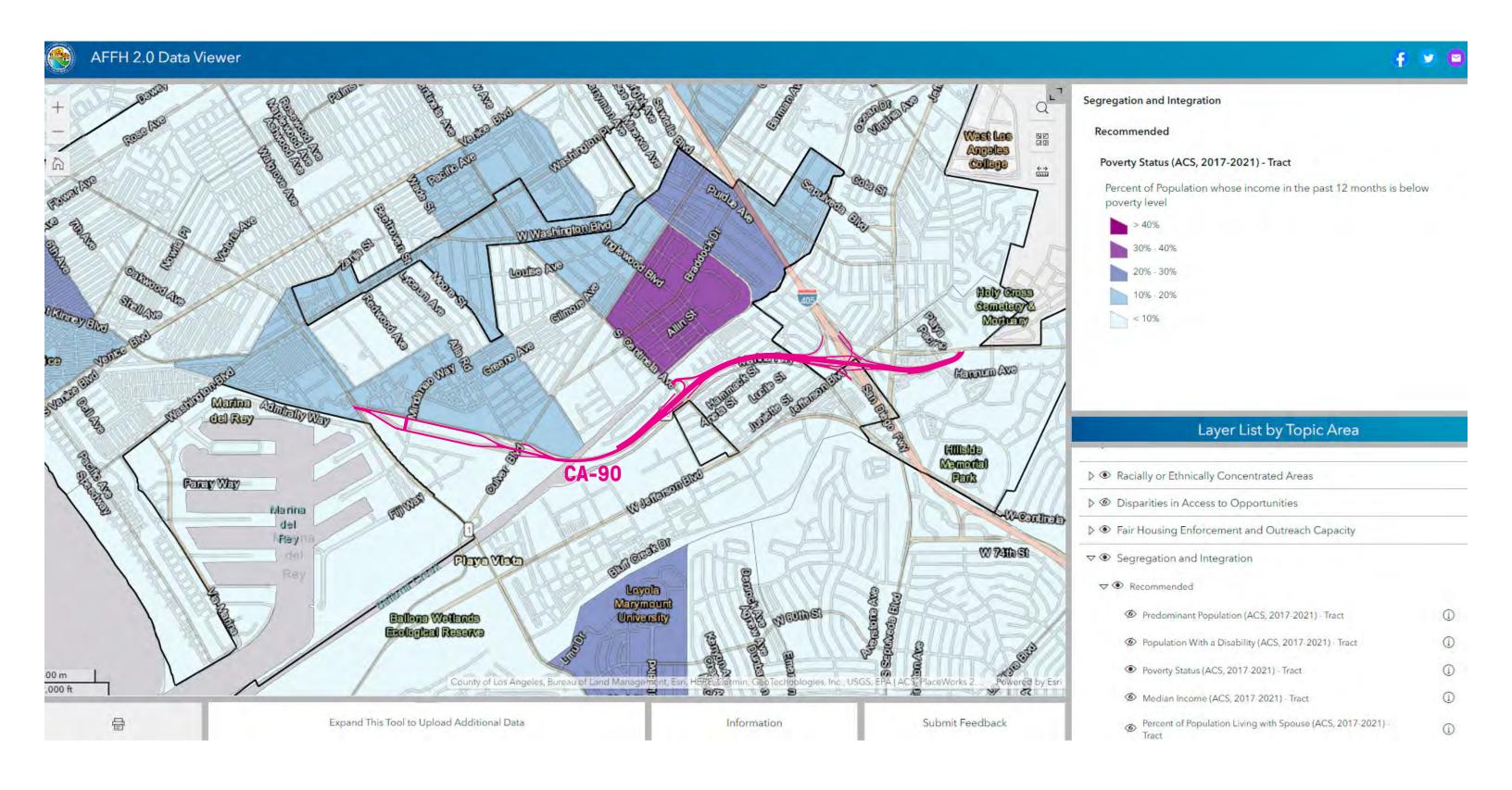




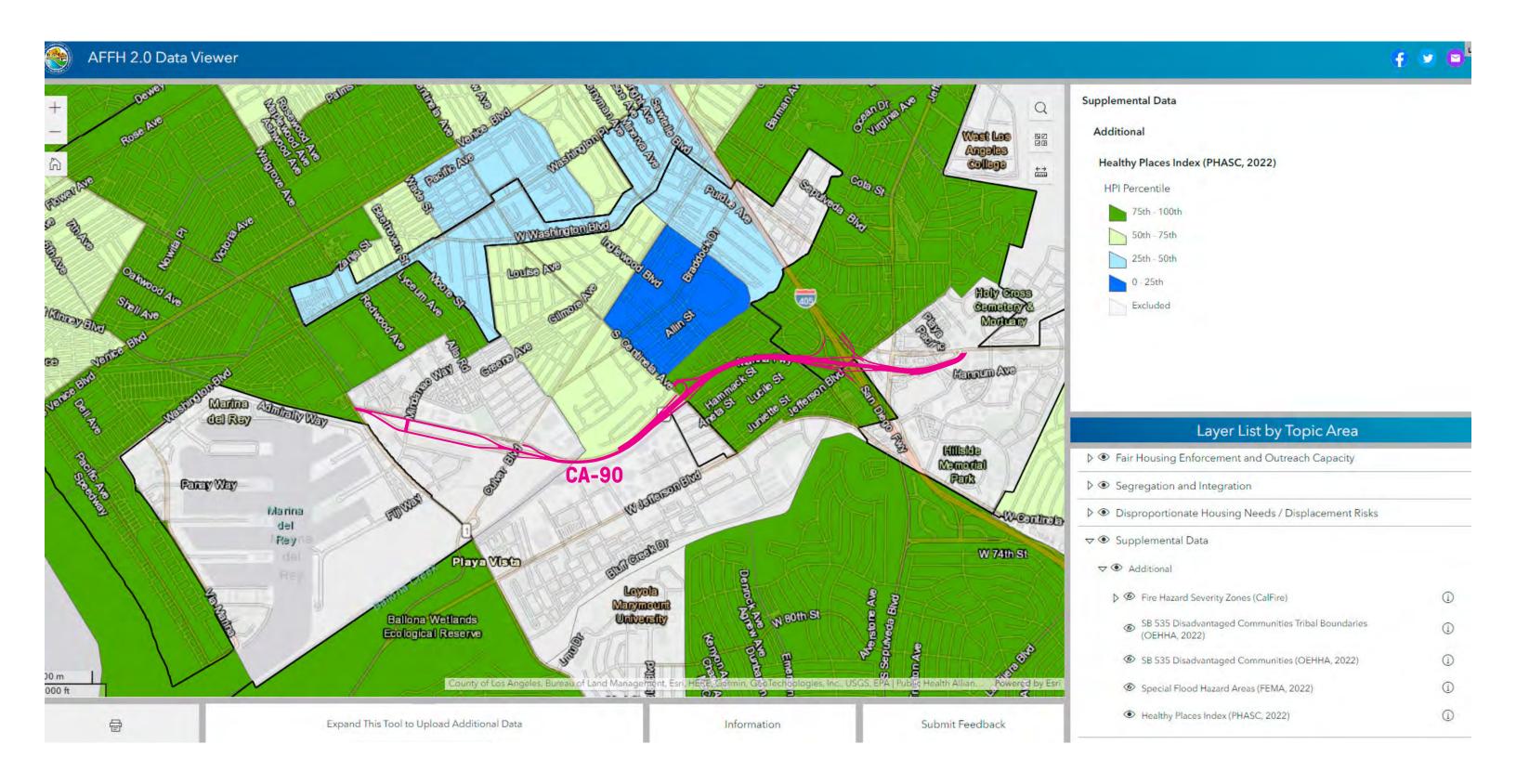
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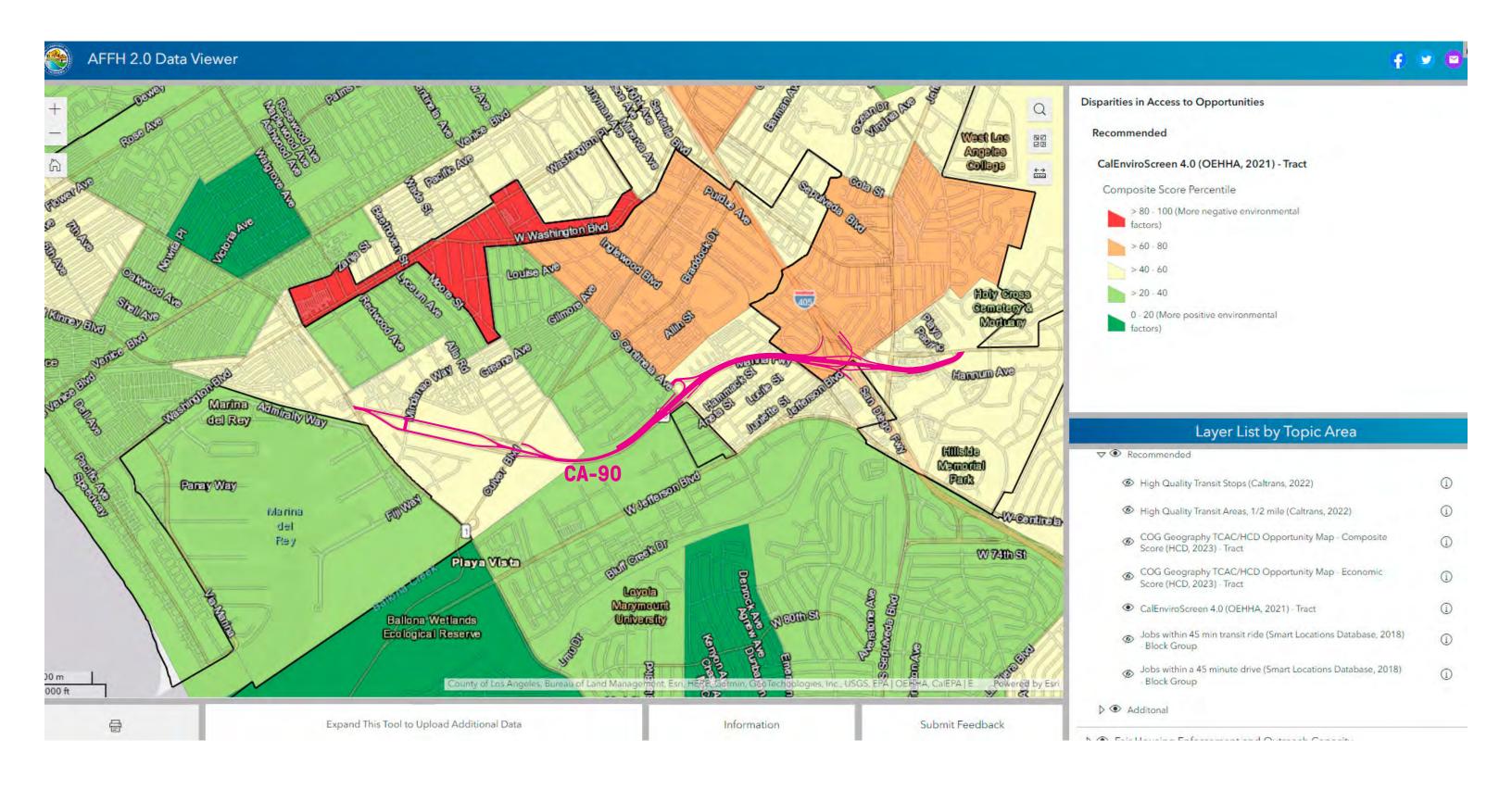
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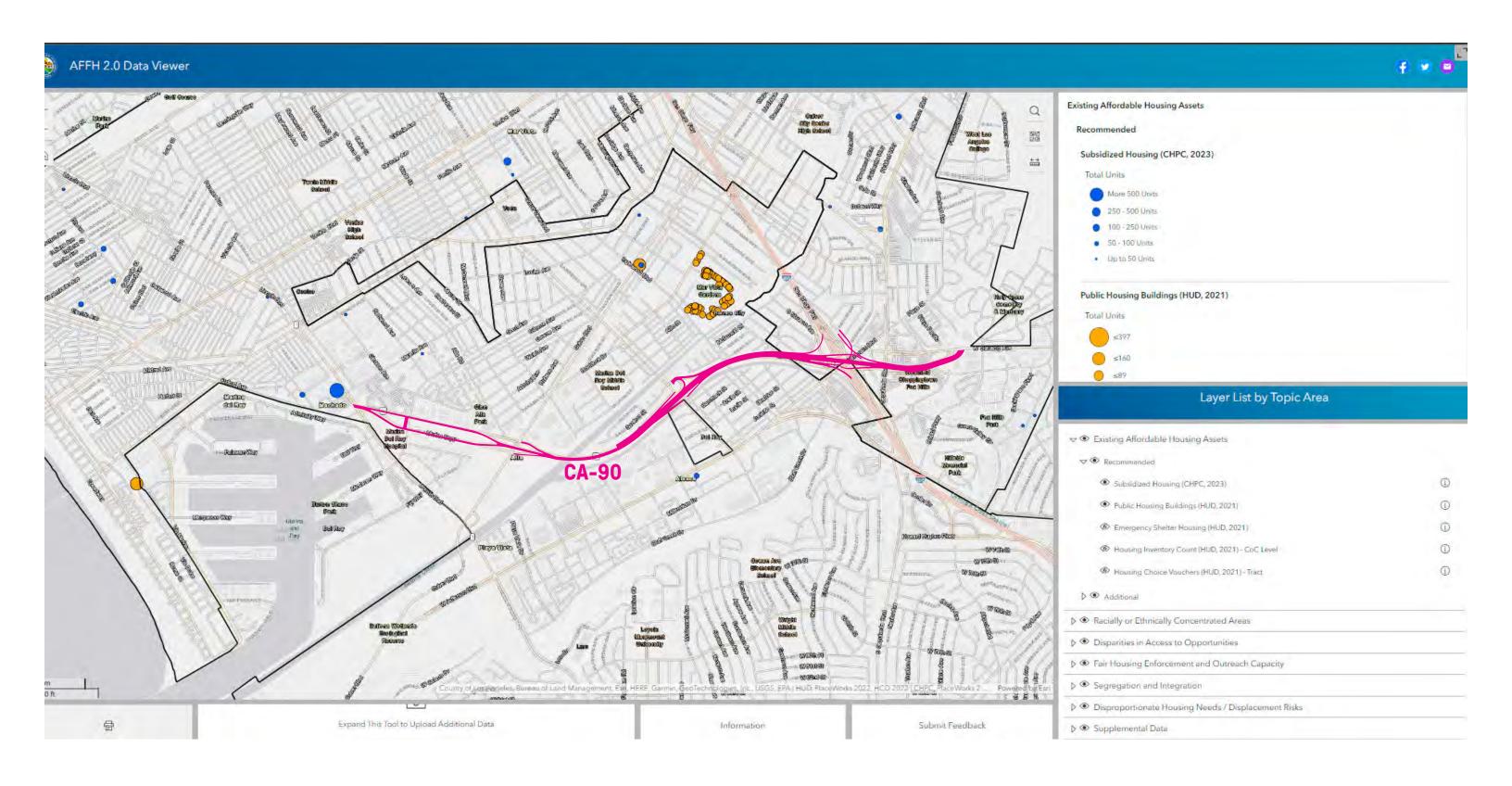
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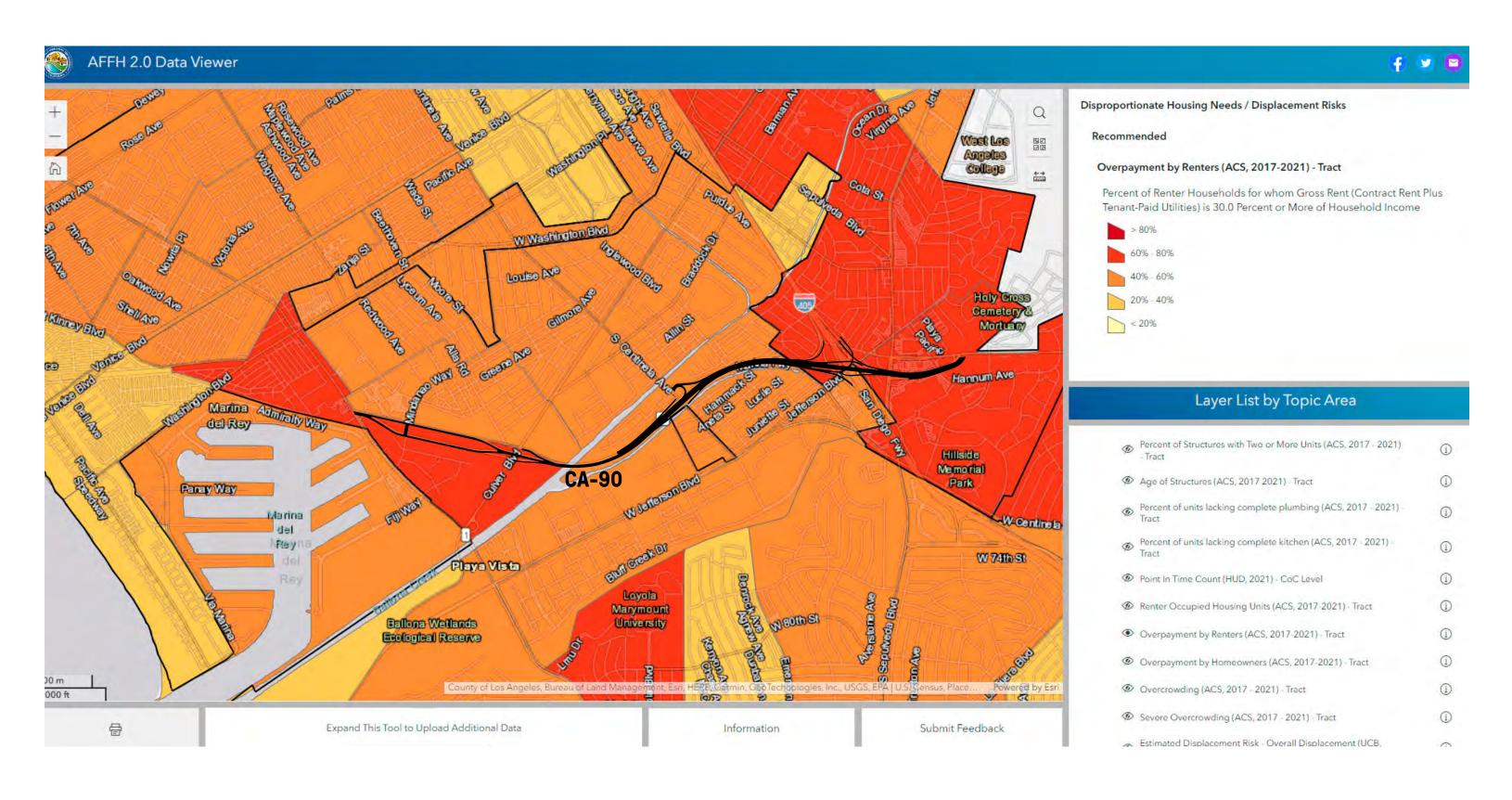
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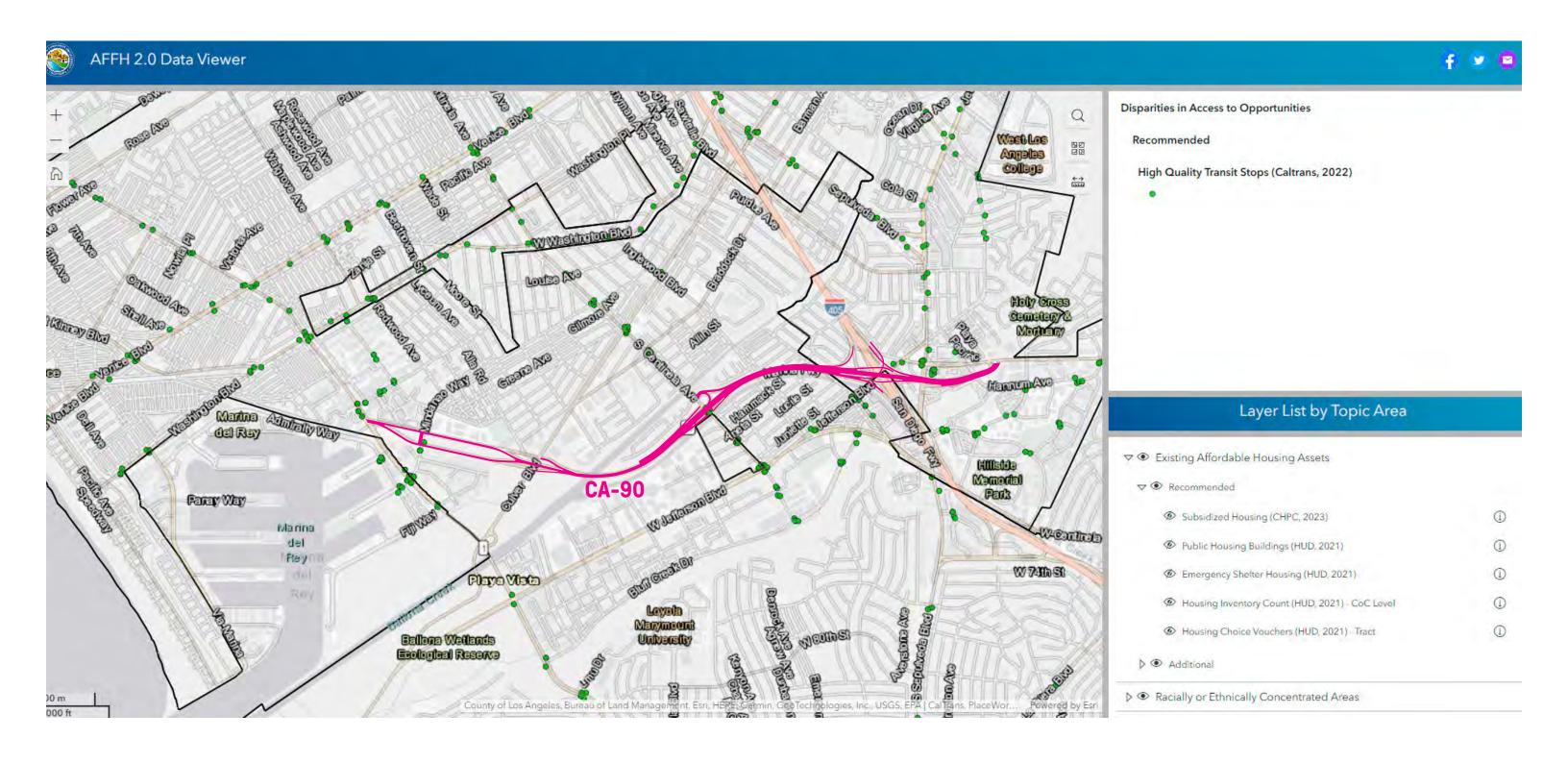
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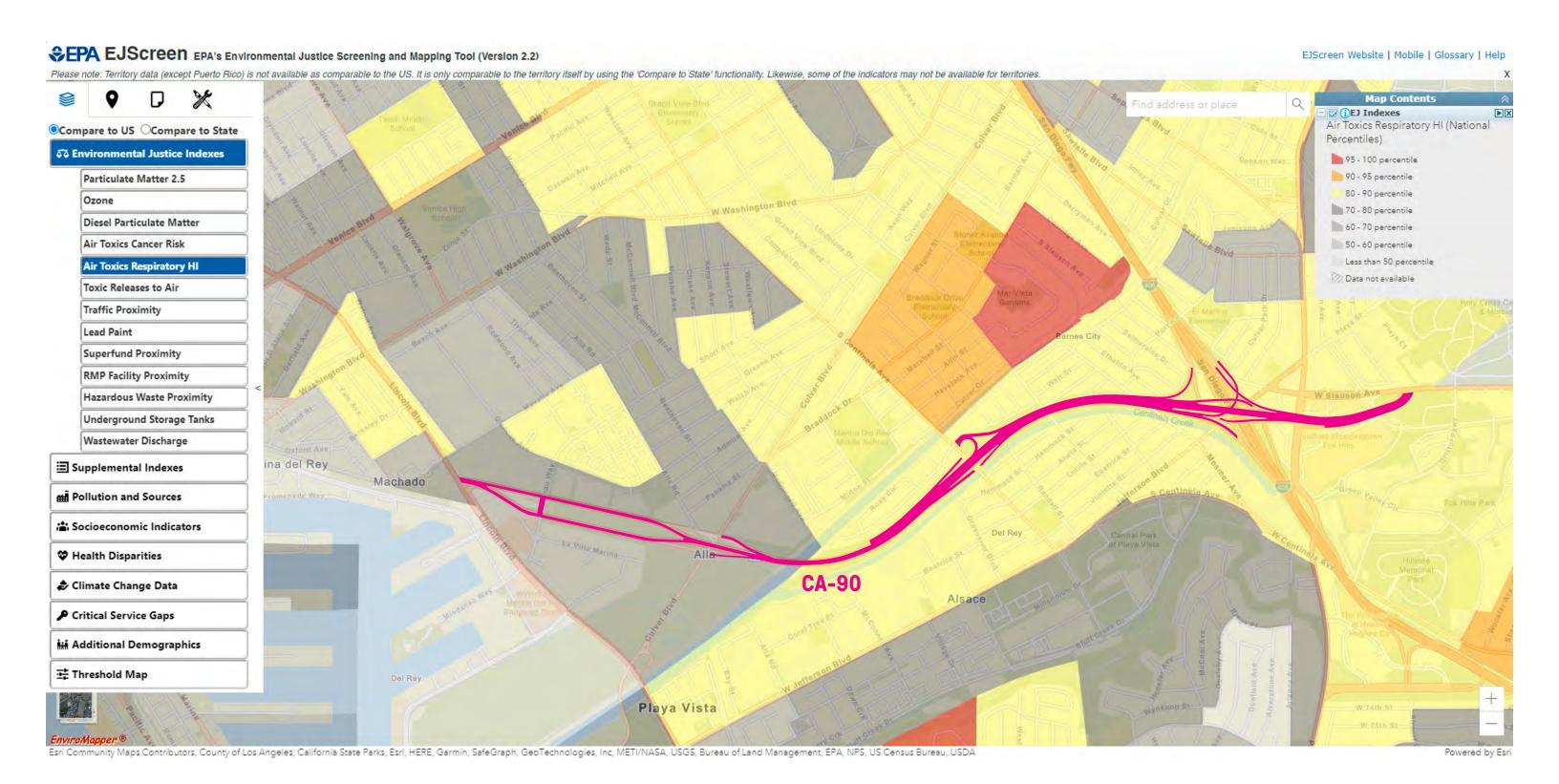
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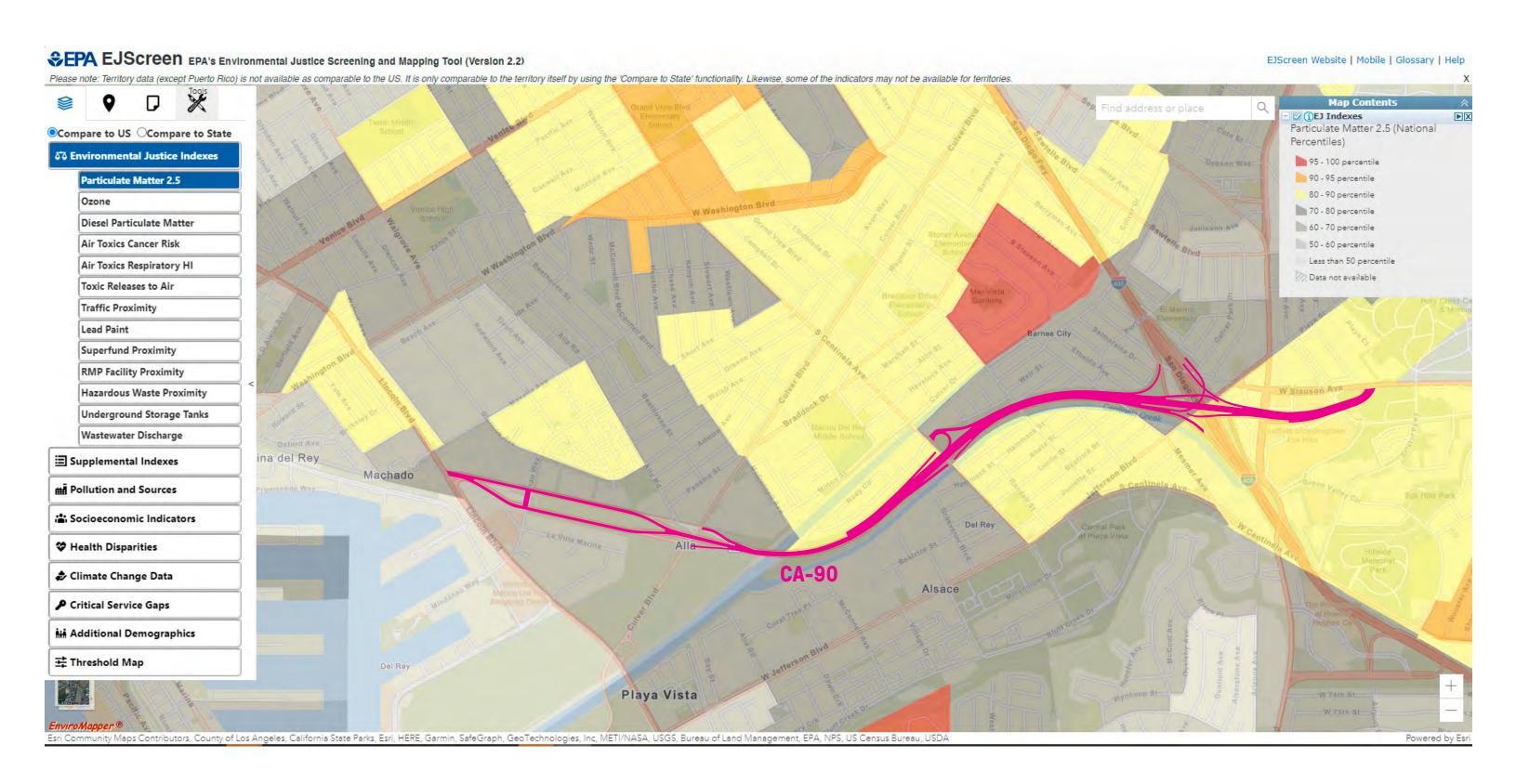
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## WGA, studios reach tentative deal

#### Offramp to a new life for this L.A. space?

By Salvador HERNANDEZ

The Marina Freeway has long been a peculiarity on the map of Southern Califor-

Envisioned initially as a major route from the Pacific Ocean to northern Orange County, it stands as a testament to the fading era of

Caltrans built a threemile stretch from the 405 Freeway to the edge of Marina del Rey. But community opposition in the 1960s scuttled the full freeway. Over the years, it went by many names: the Slauson Freeway, the Richard M. Nixon Freeway and, as Johnny Carson once mocked it, the Slauson Cutoff.

Now some community activists are calling for unfinished Route 90 to fade into history, replaced by thousands of homes and one of Los Angeles' largest public parks. It is the latest in a series of proposals to take back highways across the

The vision, said Michael Schneider, chief executive and founder of Streets for All, is to transform the road that was left incomplete in the 1960s into about 130 acres of green space and nearly 4,000 residential units.

Similar ideas have been weighed in the past, including California State Routes 2 in Silver Lake and 103 in Long Beach. The routes have been found to be either too busy with traffic or too isolated from neighborhoods. The 90 Freeway, some believe, may be just

"This may be the Goldilocks of converting freeways to green space," said Paul Haddad, author of "Freewaytopia: How Freeways Shaped Los Angeles," a book that examines the his-[See **Route 90**, A9]



ALLEN J. SCHABEN Los Angeles Times

MEMBERS of the Writers Guild of America picket at CBS Television City on Sunday. With the WGA's tentalive pact done, studios are expected to turn their attention to  ${
m SAG ext{-}AFTRA}$  to accelerate those stalled talks.

## 'Left-of-center' Muslims shift right on LGBTQ+ issues

Some followers of Islam are speaking out on topics where their take on faith more closely aligns with Republican politics

By Jaweed Kaleem

For months, hundreds of religious parents have regularly rallied outside a Maryland school board building, aghast at curriculum featuring books that portray LGBTQ+ families to elementary school kids.

Waving American flags, they have chanted against "indoctrination" of children. They've sued to pull their kids from lessons and argued their case on Fox News.

battles against LGBTQ+ acceptance, it is often white evangelicals pushing for book bans or boycotts over beer brands or bathing suits. In this case, Muslims are leading the

The controversy in an overwhelmingly blue Washington, D.C., suburb highlights a shift. For decades, [See Muslims, A6]



PARENTS in Montgomery County, Md., demonstrate in July against a school policy that doesn't allow students to opt out of lessons about LGBTQ+ topics.

#### The proposed three-year contract would bring an end to the months-old writers' strike

By Wendy Lee AND MEG JAMES

The Writers Guild of America and the major Hollywood studios have reached a tentative deal that would end a strike that has lasted 146 days, tossed thousands of people out of work and exposed deep anxiety over changes brought by technol-

The proposed three-year contract, which would still have to be ratified by the union's 11,500 members, would boost pay rates and residual payments for streaming shows and impose new rules surrounding the use of artificial intelli-

"We can say, with great pride, that this deal is exceptional — with meaningful gains and protections for writers in every sector of the membership," the WGA negotiating committee said in a Sunday night message to its members.

The writers have been on strike since May 2, seeking protections from the ways in which streaming and other industry shifts have threatened their livelihoods.

With the tentative pact with the WGA done, entertainment company leaders are expected to turn their attention to the 160,000-member performers union, SAG-AFTRA, to accelerate those stalled talks in an effort to get the industry back to work. Actors have been on strike since mid-July.

The WGA leaders, in their Sunday message to members, said guild staff will now comb through the contract to make sure that "the last 'i' is dotted."

The negotiating committee will vote on whether to recommend the contract and send it on to the WGA West board and WGA East. council for approval. Those leadership votes are expected to take place Tues-

Writers were told not to return to work until the guild authorizes them to do so, but picketing will be sus-[See Writers' strike, A12]

## Cigarette sales decline has a downside for kids

California's tobacco tax finances child programs, and shrinking revenue is forcing cuts



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PARENT COACH Alba Mariscal, center, visits the home of Daniela Prada and Chayanne Niño and their infant daughter Salome last month in Cudahy.

By Jenny Gold

California voters eked out a win for children more than two decades ago based on a "sin tax." Proposition 10 slapped cigarettes with a hefty surcharge to pressure smokers to give up their habit and used the money to improve the health and wellbeing of young children and their families.

It worked.

When the measure passed in 1998, about 1.5 billion packs of cigarettes were sold and taxed annually in California. By 2022, sales were down to fewer than 550 million packs.

The downside is the inherent paradox baked into the financing of the measure. The less people smoked over time, the less money was available for early childhood programs.

As Proposition 10 approaches its 25th anniversa-

ry in November, the "First 5" public agencies it created named for the first five years of life — have hit a critical juncture as the decline in funding accelerates. A recent voter-approved ban on the sale of flavored tobacco, including menthol cigarettes, is projected to lead to a 20% decline in First 5's tobacco tax revenue by June

The well-known agencies that have collected more than \$11 billion from smokers – for preschools, homeless family housing, pediatric dental and mental health services and key infantmother home visiting programs, among others — are confronting an existential crisis. How do they remake themselves amid shrinking revenue, and what programs will they preserve with the money they have left?

"It seemed like a brilliant [See Tax, A7]

#### Refugees arrive in Armenia

More than 300 are transported from Nagorno-Karabakh days after Azerbaijan's offensive. world, A3

#### Gender-neutral bathrooms **OK**d

California public schools will be required to provide the option under a new law. CALIFORNIA, B1

#### Chargers make defensive stand

Interception in the end zone against Vikings preserves 28-24 win. Herbert throws for 405 yards. **sports**, **d**1

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# Envisioning a park and homes in place of a freeway

[**Route 90,** from A1] tory and impact of freeways. "I think it could be a sweet

Local governments and groups across the country have recently pushed to reimagine public streets and highways, advocating for more pedestrian-friendly thoroughfares and events that promote more walking and less driving.

In Los Angeles County, CicLAvia festivals have temporarily shut down miles of traffic-filled streets to cars and opened them up to bikes, skateboards and walkers. On Oct. 29, six miles of the busy Arroyo Seco Parkway in Pasadena — the 110 Freeway — will be shut down to drivers and opened instead for people to walk, bike or skate.

But the project proposed by Streets for All would create a more permanent trans-

"We don't think anything should be a sacred cow,' Schneider said. "Instead we should think: 'Maybe there's something better for the

Los Angeles lacks available green space and is struggling with a housing crisis, and the city must be willing to consider all options to address those issues, Schneider said.

The project was developed by Streets for All, a nonprofit political action committee that looks to fight climate change by tackling traffic and public transportation issues, and the L.A. office of SWA, a planning and urban design firm.

The Marina Freeway was originally named the Slauson Freeway when construction began in the 1950s. It was meant to run from Marina del Rey through south  $L.A.\,County\,and\,into\,Orange$ 

It was initially intended to intersect with the 405, 110, 5, 605 and 710 freeways, Haddad said.

The route was at one point named after President Nixon, but the name was dropped after the Watergate scandal. Over the years, it wasn't just the freeway's name that got the ax.

What was supposed to be a 40-plus-mile route never came to be. Instead, only three miles were constructed from Marina del Rey to just beyond the 405. A second, unconnected short portion of the 90 also sits 40 miles away in Yorba Linda.

The death of the 90 Freeway's planned route was the result of local opposition, national crisis and waning interest. Haddad said.

The initial plan got pushback from business groups in the 1950s and 1960s, Haddad said. Opposition grew to such a fervor in the early '60s that some businessmen met with a state assemblyman with whom they allegedly discussed a \$10,000 bribe for the lawmaker to introduce legislation to reroute the freeway.

Assemblyman Lester A. McMillan was secretly recorded saying that, for the fee, he'd introduce the legislation. He was indicted in April 1965 on a charge of seeking a bribe. McMillan's attorney argued in court that despite the recording, the legislator didn't intend to introduce the bill because the Legislature was in recess, and that the fee was instead for McMillan's expenses to work with the group, according to The Times' coverage of the trial. He was acquitted that year after the judge ruled there was reasonable doubt whether the \$10,000 discussed was indeed a bribe.

By the late '60s, support for the Marina Freeway and others had dwindled, and construction plans were practically dead by the '70s because of inflation and gas shortages, Haddad said.

Today, the unfinished freeway acts more as a "glorified offramp" of the 405, Haddad said.

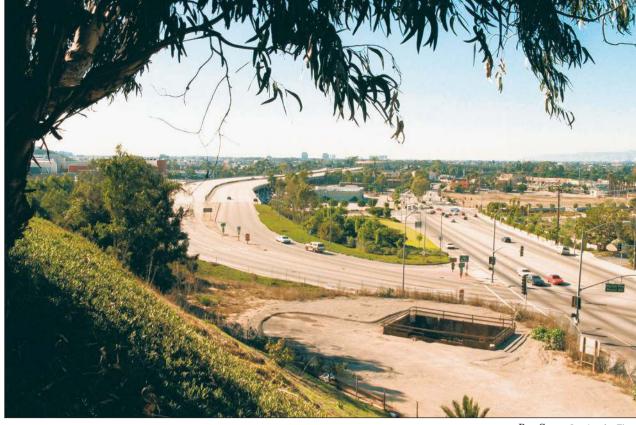
the Under project, dubbed Marina Central Park, the freeway would be turned into one of Los Angeles County's largest public parks. About 50% of the land would remain open space, and the other half would be used for roads and build-

project, across roughly 128 acres, would include 11 four-story mixeduse buildings, with the first floor used for businesses and the remaining floors for

The plan would reconnect neighborhoods that sit on opposite sides of the 90 Freeway and provide access to Centinela Creek, the Ballona Creek trail and Ballona Wetlands Ecological Re-

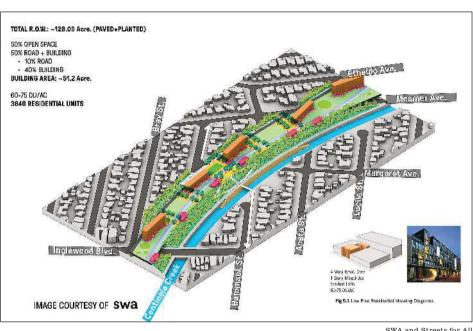
The project would also include streets but, according to Streets for All, motorists would have the option of driving along Jefferson Boulevard, which runs the length of the 90 Freeway.

It's unclear how converting the freeway would affect traffic, congestion and other factors in the area, but Streets for All is hoping to fund a feasibility study that would look at those potential issues.



BOB CAREY Los Angeles Times

ROUTE 90, left, also known as the Marina Freeway, ends at Slauson Avenue as it curves around Fox Hills Mall in 1994. Today, the roadway acts more as a "glorified offramp" of the 405, author Paul Haddad said.



A LOCAL NONPROFIT is proposing turning one of Los Angeles' shortest freeways into a large central park with nearly 4,000 affordable housing units.

Reimagining Los Angeles freeways for other uses may be unique for the area, but wide thoroughfares have been converted in other major cities.

In San Francisco, the Embarcadero Freeway, or State Route 480, was demolished in 1991 after it was damaged in the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake, Schneider said. The area was replaced with a wide boulevard that extended public transportation.

In Utrecht, Netherlands, a 12-lane motorway was replaced with canals and green space, restoring the waterways that had been paved over vears ago for roads.

The Biden administration is looking to fund similar projects to address problems created by previous highway construction and other infrastructure that divided communities, often cutting out minority neighborhoods. The administration in March proposed \$20 billion for that effort.

The freeway construction boom of the 1950s and '60s under the Federal-Aid Highway Act helped ease congestion in rapidly growing cities, but it came at a cost. Black and other minority communities were disproportionately affected in the rush to construction. Minority communities were cut off from city resources and displaced from the land needed to build the free-

"Interstate routes were chosen based on areas where land costs were the lowest, or where political resistance was the weakest." according to a Department of Transportation report, "Beyond Traffic 2045." "In practice, this meant that urban interstates cut through low-income and minority communities more often than not."

This year, Transporta-Secretary tion Pete Buttigieg announced a \$185-million program, Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods Grant, to fund projects that reconnected communities "by removing, retrofitting or mitigating highways or other transportation facilities."

The program has already

provided money to transportation projects in California, including a plan in Long Beach to turn 5.6 acres of roadway that divides Cesar E. Chavez Park near the 710 Freeway into park space, according to a project summary. The city of Fresno was awarded a \$600,000 planning grant for a pedestrian bridge over Highway

Streets for All plans to apply for the federal grant to pursue the Marina Freeway project, Schneider said.

The organization hopes that, if approved, the grant will help pay for a feasibility study that's estimated to take about 22 months and cost \$2 million.

The project has already garnered some support. According to Streets for All, Assemblymember Isaac Bryan and Sen. Lola Smallwood-Cuevas — Los Angeles Democrats whose districts represent the area — have voiced support for the project, as has the Del Rey Neighborhood Council.

Officials with Bryan's office and the Del Rey Neighborhood Council did not respond to requests for com-

ment.

spokesperson Smallwood-Cuevas firmed she has submitted letters supporting the project to Buttigieg and Tony Tavares, director of the California Department of Trans-

portation. "This is a forward-thinking project that would help alleviate L.A.'s need for open space and affordable hous-Smallwood-Cuevas ing," said in a statement.

Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass has also voiced support for the project, writing a letter to Buttigieg endorsing Streets for All's efforts to obtain the federal

"The daily traffic volumes prove that an eightlane freeway is not needed for this corridor," the letter reads. "The freeway destroyed homes in both Culver City and the Del Rey Neighborhood of the City of Los Angeles, and made access to Centinela Creek diffi-

She called the 90 Freeway "freeway to nowhere."

"Tearing down the Marina Freeway, which sits in 100 acres of right-of-way with 50 acres of concrete and steel, represents an opportunity to address past harms, build housing, and create community space for all Angelenos," Bass wrote.

A spokesperson for Los Angeles City Councilmember Traci Park, who represents the area, said their office is reviewing the propos-

Haddad concedes that Los Angeles' urban sprawl and reliance on cars makes such projects a tough sell. But he believes there may be growing support.

"The mind-set is changing," he said. "There would be people who are upset, but I think there are people who are still craving to turn Los Angeles more to its natural state, or at least make it more livable, more walka-





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