



# **NEWS** From the First Council District

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## **REYES CALLS FOR CREATION OF SPECIAL PLANNING UNIT TO FOCUS ON LOS ANGELES RIVER—**

Councilmember Ed P. Reyes, Chair of the Council's Ad Hoc River Committee, today called for the creation of a special unit within the City's Planning Department to focus on the development of the Los Angeles River.

"Over the past several years we have been methodical and deliberative in approaching the development of the Los Angeles River," said Reyes who also chairs the Council's Planning, Land Use and Development Committee (PLUM). "Today, as we look towards creating a master plan for what is certain to be one of the most ambitious public works projects in our city's history, it makes sense that this special unit be created.."

Late last year Reyes announced that he had secured monies to begin the arduous process of creating a long term revitalization plan for the city's neglected water way. The plan, once complete, will focus on the thirty-one miles of the River corridor within the Los Angeles City limits.

The plan will include recommendations for enhanced water quality and ecological functioning of the River as well as the development of mixed-use, commercial, residential and open space, where appropriate.

"We are at a critical point in our River's history and the success of the Los Angeles River Revitalization Master Plan will be key to that success," Reyes also said.

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