### RIVIERA TERRACE APARTMENTS



#### WHY AM I HERE/ PURPOSE OF THIS PRESENTATION?

(why do we have to listen to another boring biology talk?)

#### **RIPARIAN HABITAT**

### Address Outstanding Questions and Concerns Regarding the Riparian Corridor

- Existing Conditions
- Project Impacts
- Originally-Proposed Measures
- Additional Enhancements
- Potential Inconsistencies (Initial Study and *Guidelines*)





#### USER MANUAL



#### GUIDELINES & STANDARDS FOR LAND USE NEAR STREAMS

A Manual of Tools, Standards and Procedures to Protect Streams and Streamside Resources in Santa Clara County

Prepared by the Santa Clara Valley
Water Resources Protection Collaborativ

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### RIPARIAN HABITAT—"ON SITE" AND "OFF SITE"





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LOS GATOS, CALFORNA

THE SOBRATO ORGANIZATION CUPERTINO, CALIFORNIA



COLORED AERIAL W/ TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEY

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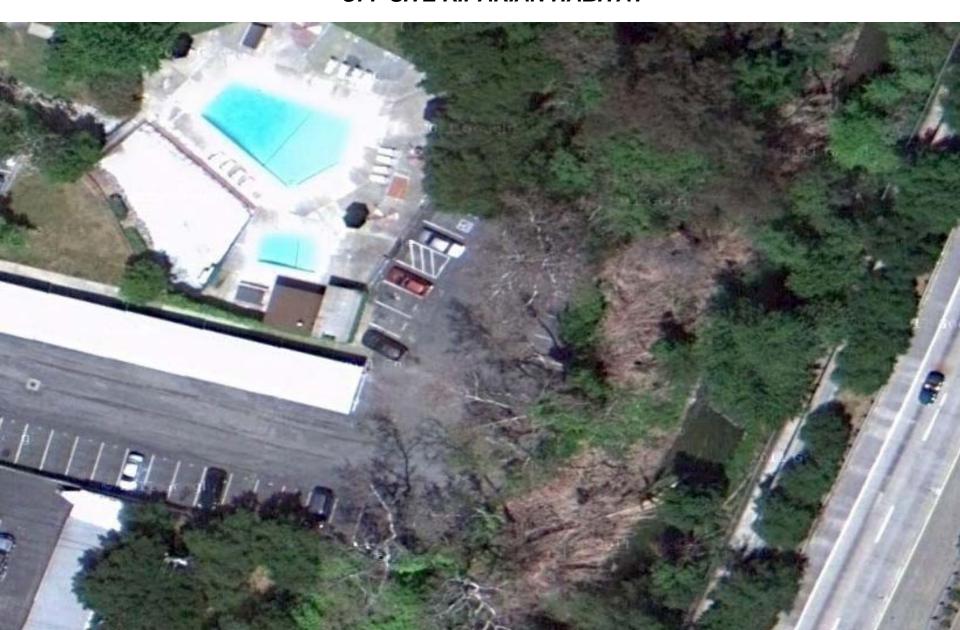


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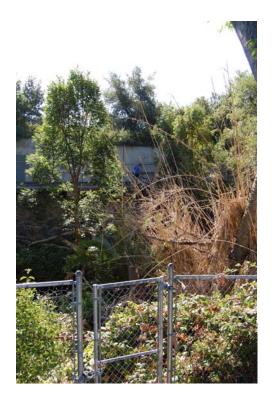






#### **EXISTING CONDITIONS SUMMARY**

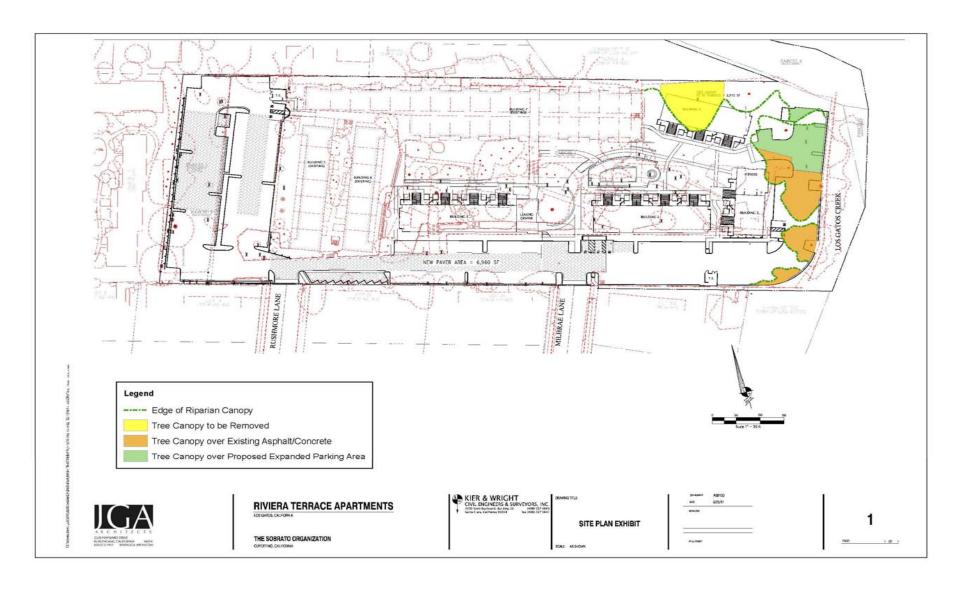
- On site riparian habitat—limited to "canopy" habitat
- Off site riparian habitat—invasives, lack of canopy
- Untreated runoff
- Direct lighting
- No visual/light screening
- <u>Limited wildlife access</u>

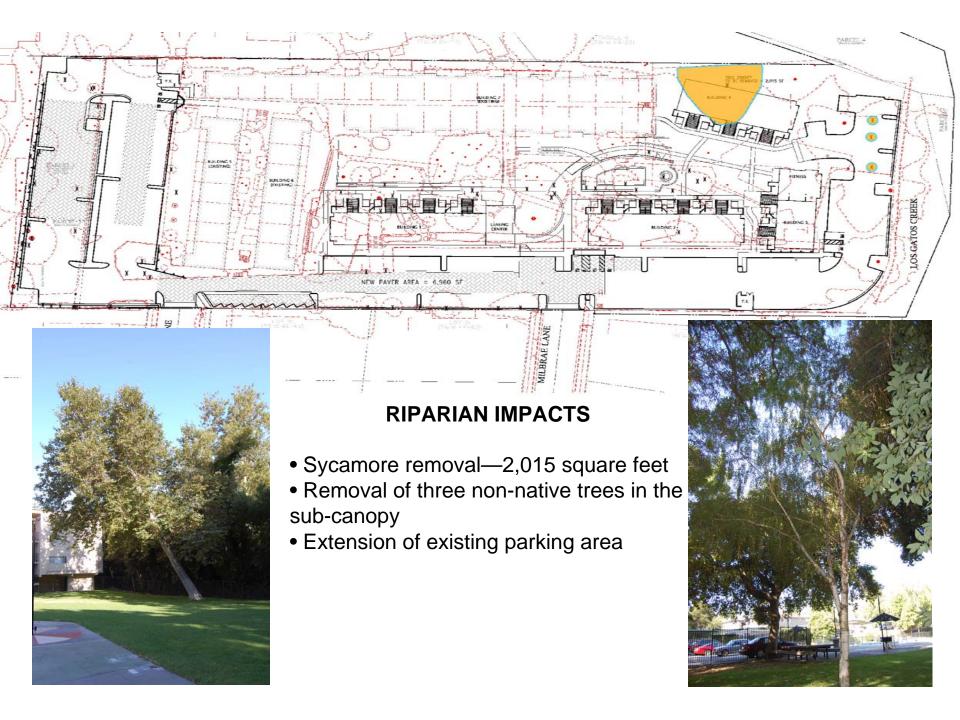


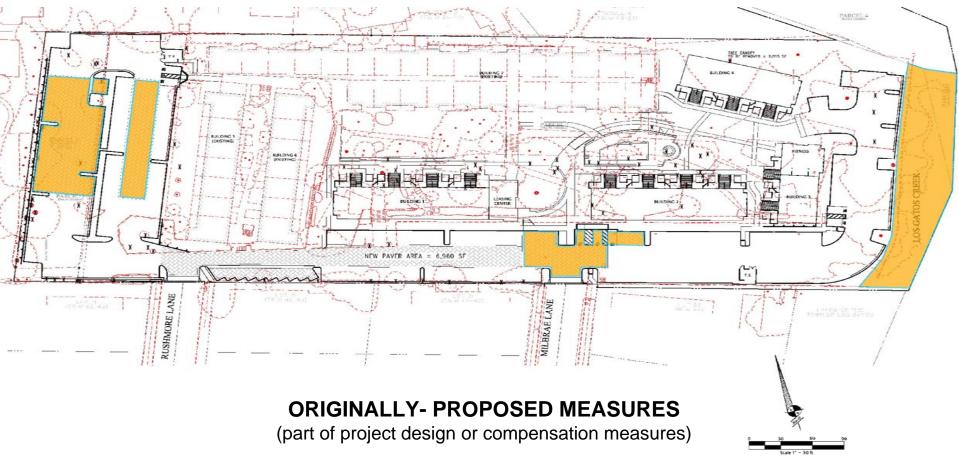




#### ON SITE RIPARIAN CHARACTERIZATION



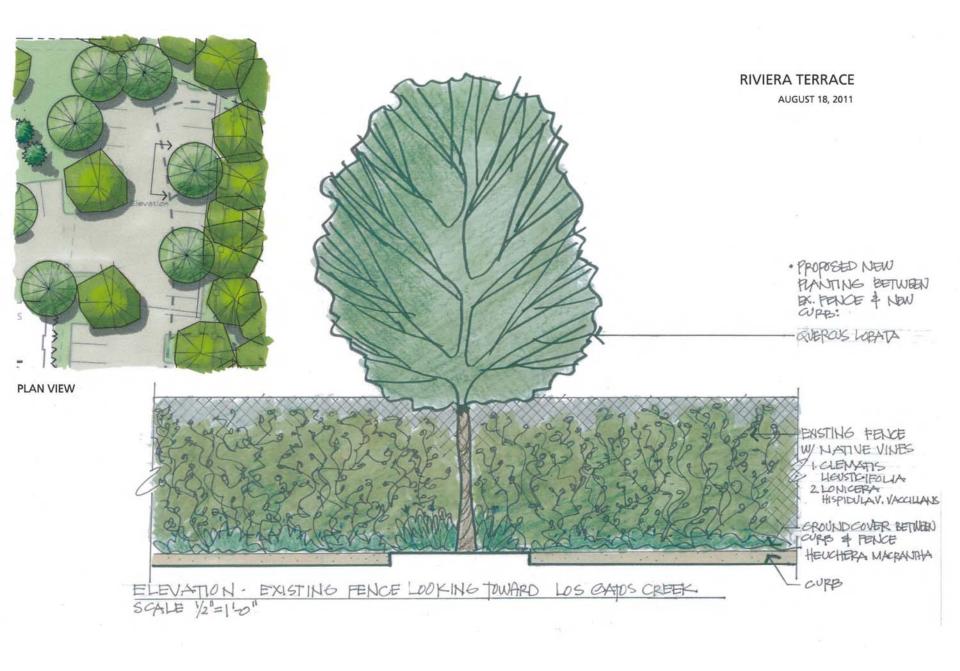




- Invasive plant removal (within off site riparian habitat)
  - -SCVWD giant reed
  - -restricted to within property boundaries
- Tree pockets (around two existing sycamores)
- Curbs, Permeable Pavers and Media Filtration System (Bioretention Areas)



- All plant material collected within watershed of Los Gatos Creek and contract-grown at local nursery (e.g. Central Coast Wilds)
- -Potential species include arroyo willow, box elder, sycamore, native blackberry, buckeye and coast live oak
- -Restoration Plan to be developed in close coordination with SCVWD staff
- Additional Permeable Pavers (6,690 square feet)-beyond C3 Requirement
- Native tree plantings (2) within tree pockets
- Exterior and landscape indirect lighting
- Native vines plantings (along rear fence)



### PROJECT RIPARIAN HABITAT BENEFITS SUMMARY

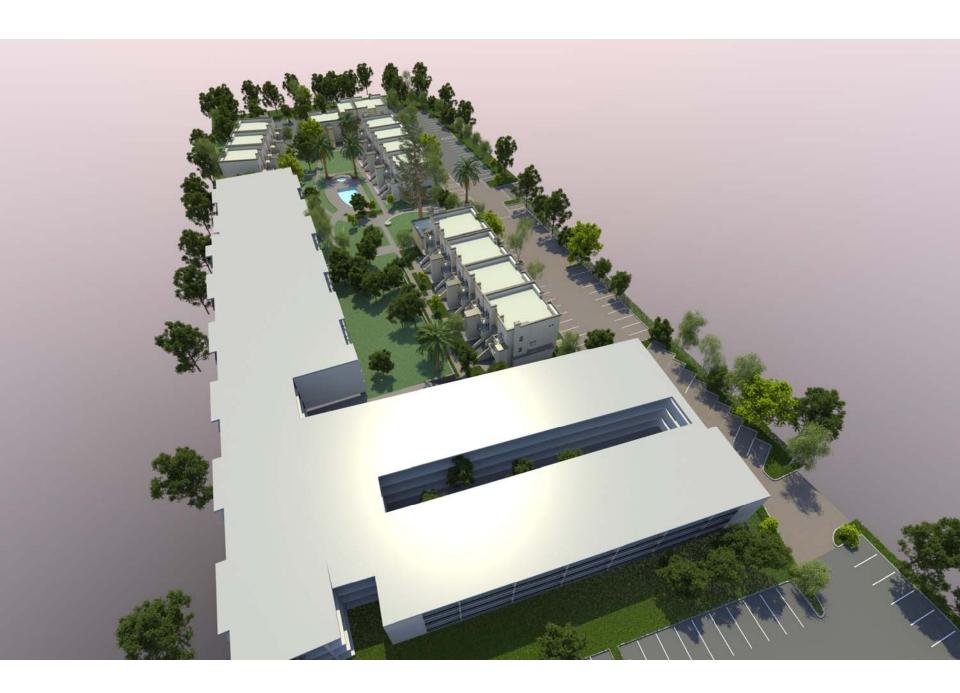
• <u>Stormwater pretreatment/bioretention cells/permeable pavers</u>



- Removal of invasive plant species/active planting of native trees and shrubs
  - -restore and enhance riparian canopy for wildlife use
  - -provide buffer from visual and noise disturbance from development







### **QUESTIONS?**