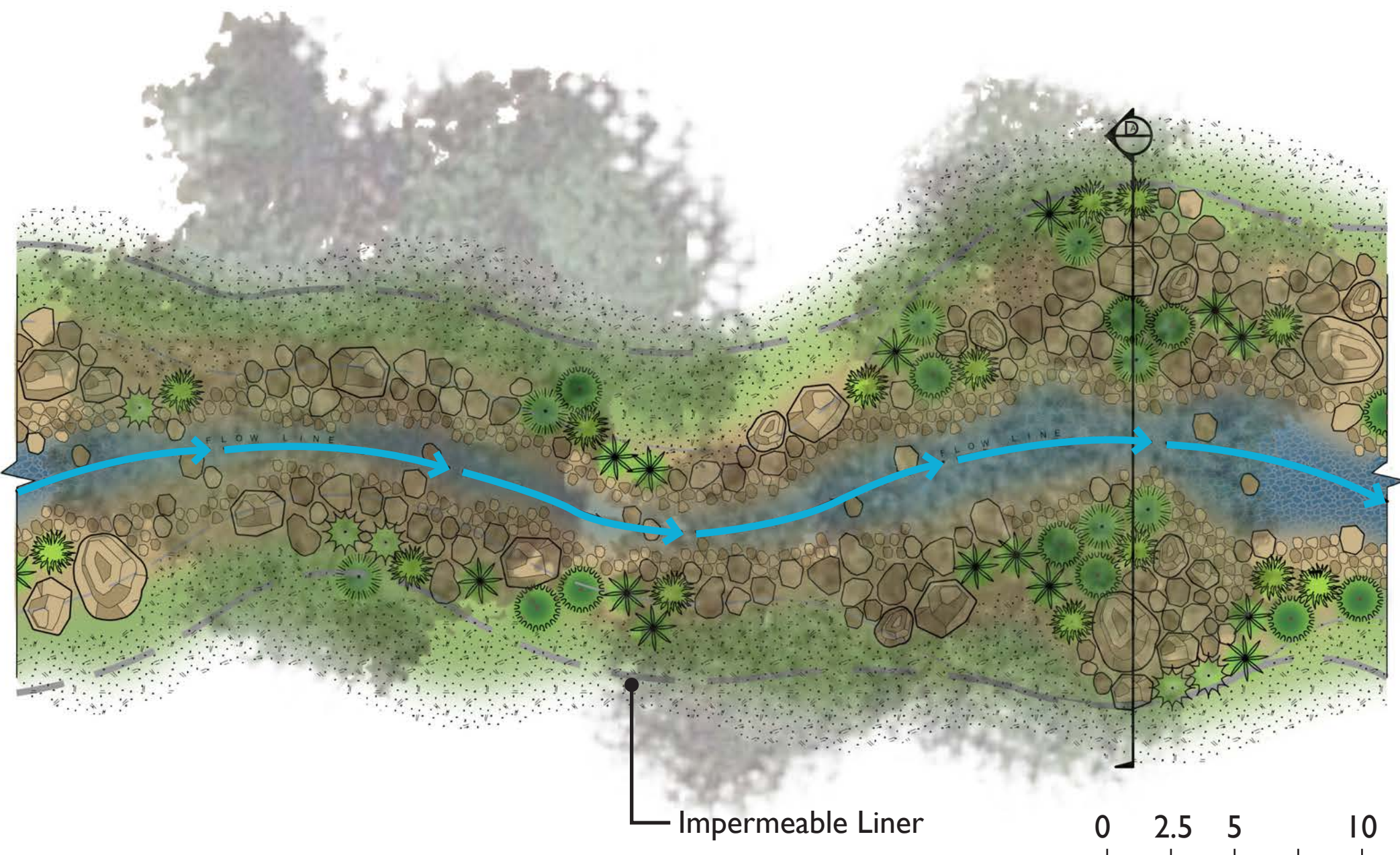


Potrero Canyon Preserve

The Potrero Canyon Nature Preserve consists of approximately 46 acres of City-owned property, located in the Pacific Palisades area of Council District 11. Potrero Canyon was purchased by the City in the 1960s and has a long history of landslides and instability. Construction of the Preserve will substantially stabilize the canyon walls while creating approximately eight-acres of riparian habitat, with walking paths and scenic overlooks. The riparian habitat will be irrigated by diverting and cleaning urban runoff and storm water flowing in the existing storm drain. Site specific native California plant species will be planted throughout the canyon to restore natural habitat. Walking paths will extend from the Palisades Recreation Center to the beach. An ADA compliant restroom will be installed in the northerly portion of the canyon with additional parking for Preserve visitors provided at the Palisades Recreation Center.



Typical Riparian Creek Plan



Plant Communities

Wet Riparian Zone

Representative Species

- Populus fremontii* spp. *fremontii*
Fremont's Cottonwood
- Salix laevigata*
Coast Live Oak
- Baccharis salicifolia* spp. *salicifolia*
Mule Fat
- Juncus patens*
California Gray Rush
- Mimulus guttatus*
Sheep Monkey Flower

Dry Riparian Zone

Representative Species

- Platanus racemosa*
California Sycamore
- Quercus agrifolia*
Coast Live Oak
- Baccharis salicifolia* spp. *salicifolia*
Mule Fat
- Muhlenbergia rigens*
Deer Grass
- Rosa californica*
California Wild Rose

**Riparian Adjacent Woodlands/
Coastal Scrub Transition Zone**

Representative Species

- Juglans californica*
Southern California Black Walnut
- Quercus agrifolia*
Coast Live Oak
- Baccharis pilularis* spp. *consanguinea*
Coyote Brush
- Ceanothus spinosus*
Greenbark Ceanothus
- Elymus condensatus*
Giant Wild Rye

Coastal Bluff Scrub Zone

Representative Species

- Acmispon glaber*
Deerweed
- Baccharis pilularis*
Coyote Brush
- Encelia californica*
Bush Sunflower
- Eriogonum fasciculatum*
California Buckwheat
- Opuntia littoralis*
Coastal Prickly Pear

Fuel Modification Zone*

Representative Species

- Juglans californica*
Southern California Black Walnut
- Quercus agrifolia*
Coast Live Oak
- Heteromeles arbutifolia*
Toyon
- Malacothamnus fasciculatus*
Bush Mallow
- Opuntia littoralis*
Coastal Prickly Pear

*The Fuel Modification Zone is composed mostly of coastal scrub plant material. Planting will be "islands" of small plant/tree groupings widely spaced with mulched ground. Open areas will be hydroseeded for erosion control and maintenance. These fuel modification zone planting considerations will help prevent the creation of fire fuel ladders in areas adjacent to homes along the canyon.

