

## Appendix B2

# Assembly Bill 52 and Senate Bill 18 Communications



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May 1, 2019

Mr. Andrew Salas  
Gabrieleno Band of Mission Indians – Kizh Nation  
PO Box 393  
Covina, California 91723

**Subject: Notification of the Proposed Melia 178<sup>th</sup> Street Project, Pursuant to Assembly Bill 52**

Dear Mr. Andrew Salas,

Pursuant to California Assembly Bill 52 (AB52), the City of Gardena (City) is providing you with notification of the proposed Melia/178<sup>th</sup> Street (Project), in the City of Gardena, County of Los Angeles, California.

**Project Location and Description**

The Project site involves a 5.63-gross-acre lot comprised of two parcels (APN 6106-013-040 and 6106-013-041), located at 1515 West 178<sup>th</sup> Street. Exhibit 2-1, Regional Vicinity Map and Exhibit 2-2, Site Vicinity Map depict the Project site in a regional and local context, respectively. The site is fully developed as an industrial use totaling approximately 105,036 square feet (SF) and including a trucking warehouse with associated surface parking lot and outdoor trailer storage. The Project proposes to remove all existing onsite improvements, and construct 114 attached townhomes. Additional improvements are also proposed including 287 parking spaces and recreational facilities.

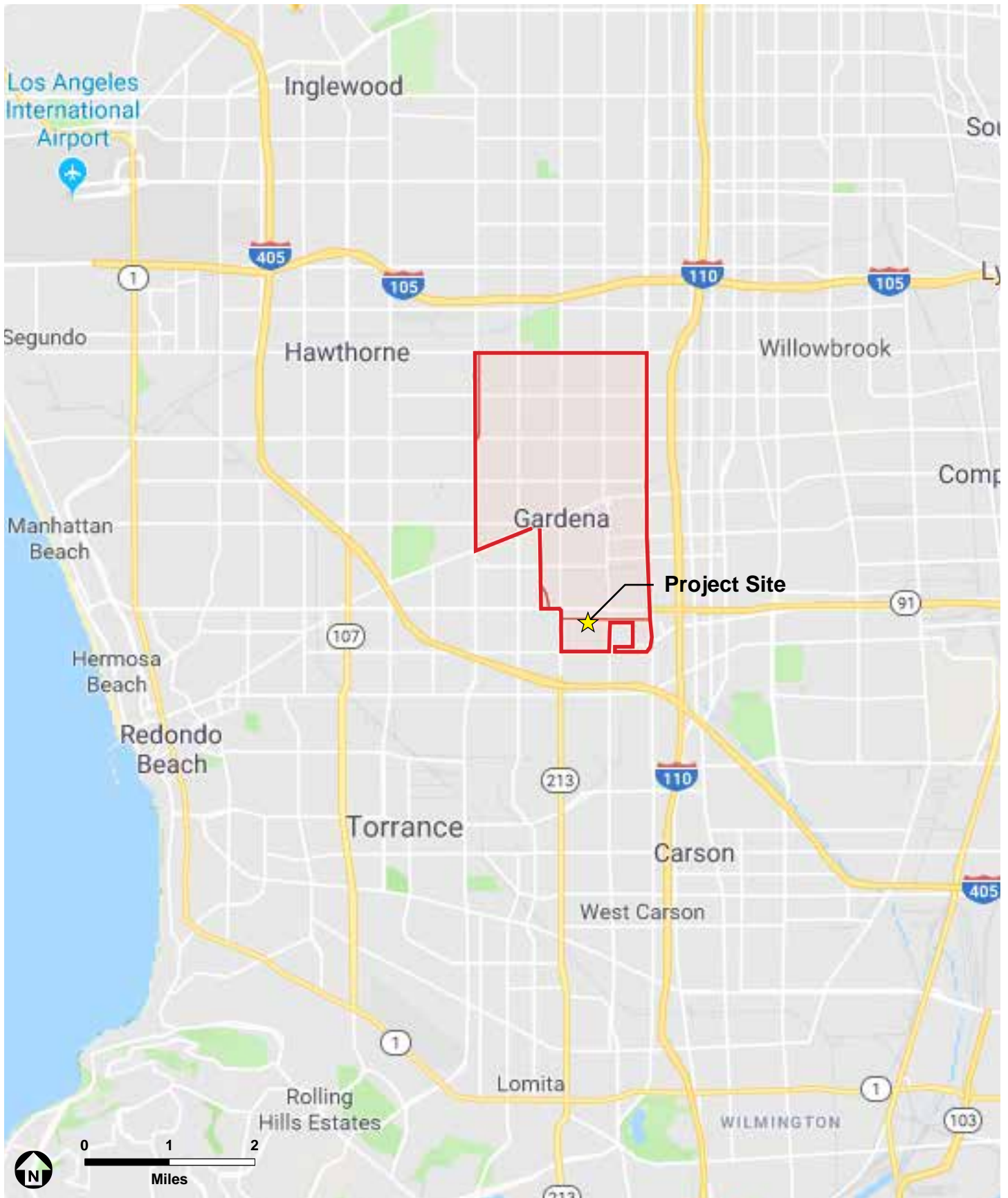
If you have any comments or concerns regarding potential impacts to tribal cultural resources (as defined in Public Resources Code § 21074) in relation to the proposed Project, please provide a written request for consultation to the address above or via email to [rbarragan@cityofgardena.org](mailto:rbarragan@cityofgardena.org) within 30 days of receipt of this letter and include the name of a designated lead contact person.

Sincerely,

Mr. Raymond Barragan  
Community Development Manager

**Attachments:**

*Exhibit 2-1, Regional Vicinity Map*  
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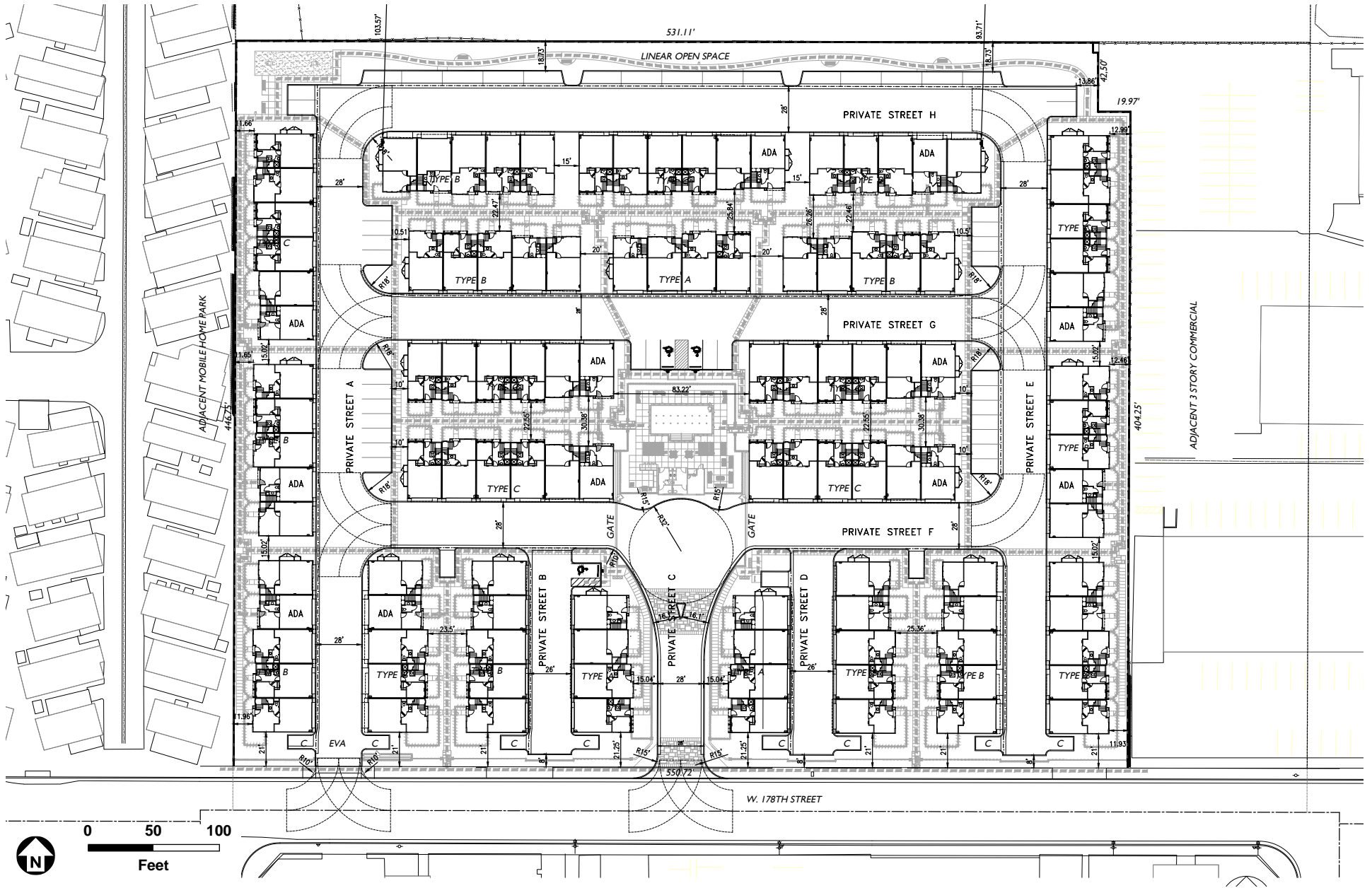


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## GABRIELEÑO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS - KIZH NATION

Historically known as The San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians / Gabrielino Tribal Council  
recognized by the State of California as the aboriginal tribe of the Los Angeles basin

City of Gardena  
Department of Community Development  
1700 West 162<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Gardena, CA 90247

February 19, 2019

Re: AB52 Consultation request for Melia 178<sup>th</sup> Street Project

Dear Raymond Barragan,

Please find this letter as a written request for consultation regarding the above-mentioned project pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21080.3.1, subd. (d). Your project lies within our ancestral tribal territory, meaning belonging to or inherited from, which is a higher degree of kinship than traditional or cultural affiliation. Your project is located within a sensitive area and may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of our tribal cultural resources. Most often, a records search for our tribal cultural resources will result in a "no records found" for the project area. The Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC), ethnographers, historians, and professional archaeologists can only provide limited information that has been previously documented about California Native Tribes. For this reason, the NAHC will always refer the lead agency to the respective Native American Tribe of the area. The NAHC is only aware of general information and are not the experts on each California Tribe. Our Elder Committee & tribal historians are the experts for our Tribe and can provide a more complete history (both written and oral) regarding the location of historic villages, trade routes, cemeteries and sacred/religious sites in the project area.

Additionally, CEQA now defines Tribal Cultural Resources (TCRs) as their own independent element separate from archaeological resources. Environmental documents shall now address a separate Tribal Cultural Resource section which includes a thorough analysis of the impacts to only Tribal Cultural Resources (TCRs) and includes independent mitigation measures created with Tribal input during AB-52 consultations. As a result, all mitigation measures, conditions of approval and agreements regarding TCRs (i.e. prehistoric resources) shall be handled solely with the Tribal Government and not through an Environmental/Archaeological firm.

In effort to avoid adverse effects to our tribal cultural resources, we would like to consult with you and your staff to provide you with a more complete understanding of the prehistoric use(s) of the project area and the potential risks for causing a substantial adverse change to the significance of our tribal cultural resources.

Consultation appointments are available on Wednesdays and Thursdays at our offices at 910 N. Citrus Ave. Covina, CA 91722 or over the phone. Please call toll free 1-844-390-0787 or email [admin@gabrielenoindians.org](mailto:admin@gabrielenoindians.org) to schedule an appointment.

*\*\* Prior to the first consultation with our Tribe, we ask all those individuals participating in the consultation to view a video produced and provided by CalEPA and the NAHC for sensitivity and understanding of AB52. You can view their videos at: <http://calepa.ca.gov/Tribal/Training/> or <http://nahc.ca.gov/2015/12/ab-52-tribal-training/>*

With Respect,

Andrew Salas, Chairman

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Nadine Salas, Vice-Chairman

Christina Swindall Martinez, secretary

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Martha Gonzalez Lemos, treasurer ||

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**NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE COMMISSION**  
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February 20, 2019

Geoff Bishop  
City of Gardena

VIA Email to: Geoff.bishop@kimley-horn.com

RE: Native American Consultation, Pursuant to Senate Bill 18, Government Code §65352.3 and §65352.4, Melia/178<sup>th</sup> Street Project, Los Angeles County

Dear Mr. Bishop:

Attached is a consultation list of tribes with traditional lands or cultural places located within the boundaries of the above referenced counties.

Government Code §65352.3 and §65352.4 require local governments to consult with California Native American tribes identified by the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) for the purpose of avoiding, protecting, and/or mitigating impacts to cultural places when creating or amending General Plans, Specific Plans and Community Plans.

The law does not preclude initiating consultation with the tribes that are culturally and traditionally affiliated within your jurisdiction. The NAHC believes that this is the best practice to ensure that tribes are consulted commensurate with the intent of the law.

The NAHC also believes that agencies should also include with their notification letters, information regarding any cultural resources assessment that has been completed on the area of potential effect (APE), such as:

1. The results of any record search that may have been conducted at an Information Center of the California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS), including, but not limited to:
  - A listing of any and all known cultural resources that have already been recorded or are adjacent to the APE, such as known archaeological sites;
  - Copies of any and all cultural resource records and study reports that may have been provided by the Information Center as part of the records search response;
  - Whether the records search indicates a low, moderate or high probability that unrecorded cultural resources are located in the APE; and
  - If a survey is recommended by the Information Center to determine whether previously unrecorded cultural resources are present.
  
2. The results of any archaeological inventory survey that was conducted, including:

- Any report that may contain site forms, site significance, and suggested mitigation measures.

All information regarding site locations, Native American human remains, and associated funerary objects should be in a separate confidential addendum, and not be made available for public disclosure in accordance with Government Code §6254.10.

3. The result of the Sacred Lands File (SLF) check conducted through the NAHC was negative.
4. Any ethnographic studies conducted for any area including all or part of the APE; and
5. Any geotechnical reports regarding all or part of the APE.

Lead agencies should be aware that records maintained by the NAHC and CHRIS are not exhaustive. A tribe may be the only source of information regarding the existence of a tribal cultural resource.

This information will aid tribes in determining whether to request formal consultation. In the event, that they do, having the information beforehand will help to facilitate the consultation process.

If you receive notification of change of addresses and phone numbers from tribes, please notify the NAHC. With your assistance, we are able to assure that our consultation list remains current.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at my email address: [steven.quinn@nahc.ca.gov](mailto:steven.quinn@nahc.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



Steven Quinn  
Associate Governmental Program Analyst

Attachment



**Native American Heritage Commission  
Native American Contact List  
Los Angeles County  
2/20/2019**

***Gabrieleno Band of Mission  
Indians - Kizh Nation***

Andrew Salas, Chairperson  
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Phone: (626) 926 - 4131  
admin@gabrielenoindians.org

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***Gabrieleno/Tongva San Gabriel  
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San Gabriel, CA, 91778  
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GTTribalcouncil@aol.com

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***Gabrielino /Tongva Nation***

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sgoad@gabrielino-tongva.com

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Bellflower, CA, 90707  
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***Gabrielino-Tongva Tribe***

Charles Alvarez,  
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West Hills, CA, 91307  
Phone: (310) 403 - 6048  
roadkingcharles@aol.com

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This list is current only as of the date of this document. Distribution of this list does not relieve any person of statutory responsibility as defined in Section 7050.5 of the Health and Safety Code, Section 5097.94 of the Public Resource Section 5097.98 of the Public Resources Code.

This list is only applicable for contacting local Native Americans with regard to cultural resources assessment for the proposed Melia/178th Street Project, Los Angeles County.

## Local Government Tribal Consultation List Request

### Native American Heritage Commission

1550 Harbor Blvd, Suite 100  
West Sacramento, CA 95691  
916-373-3710  
916-373-5471 – Fax  
[nahc@nahc.ca.gov](mailto:nahc@nahc.ca.gov)

#### Type of List Requested

- CEQA Tribal Consultation List (AB 52) – *Per Public Resources Code § 21080.3.1, subs. (b), (d), (e) and 21080.3.2*
- General Plan (SB 18) - *Per Government Code § 65352.3.*  
Local Action Type:  
\_\_\_ General Plan \_\_\_ General Plan Element \_\_\_ X \_\_\_ General Plan Amendment  
\_\_\_ Specific Plan \_\_\_ Specific Plan Amendment \_\_\_ Pre-planning Outreach Activity

#### Required Information

Project Title: Melia/178<sup>th</sup> Street Project

Local Government/Lead Agency: City of Gardena, California

Contact Person: Geoff Bishop

Street Address: 765 The City Drive, Suite 200

City: Orange Zip: 92868

Phone: 714-786-6217

Email: Geoff.bishop@kimley-horn.com

#### Specific Area Subject to Proposed Action

County: Los Angeles

City/Community: Gardena

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**Additional Request**

**Sacred Lands File Search - *Required Information:***

**USGS Quadrangle Name(s):** Torrance Quadrangle

**Township:** T03S      **Range:** R14W      **Section(s):** \_\_\_\_\_





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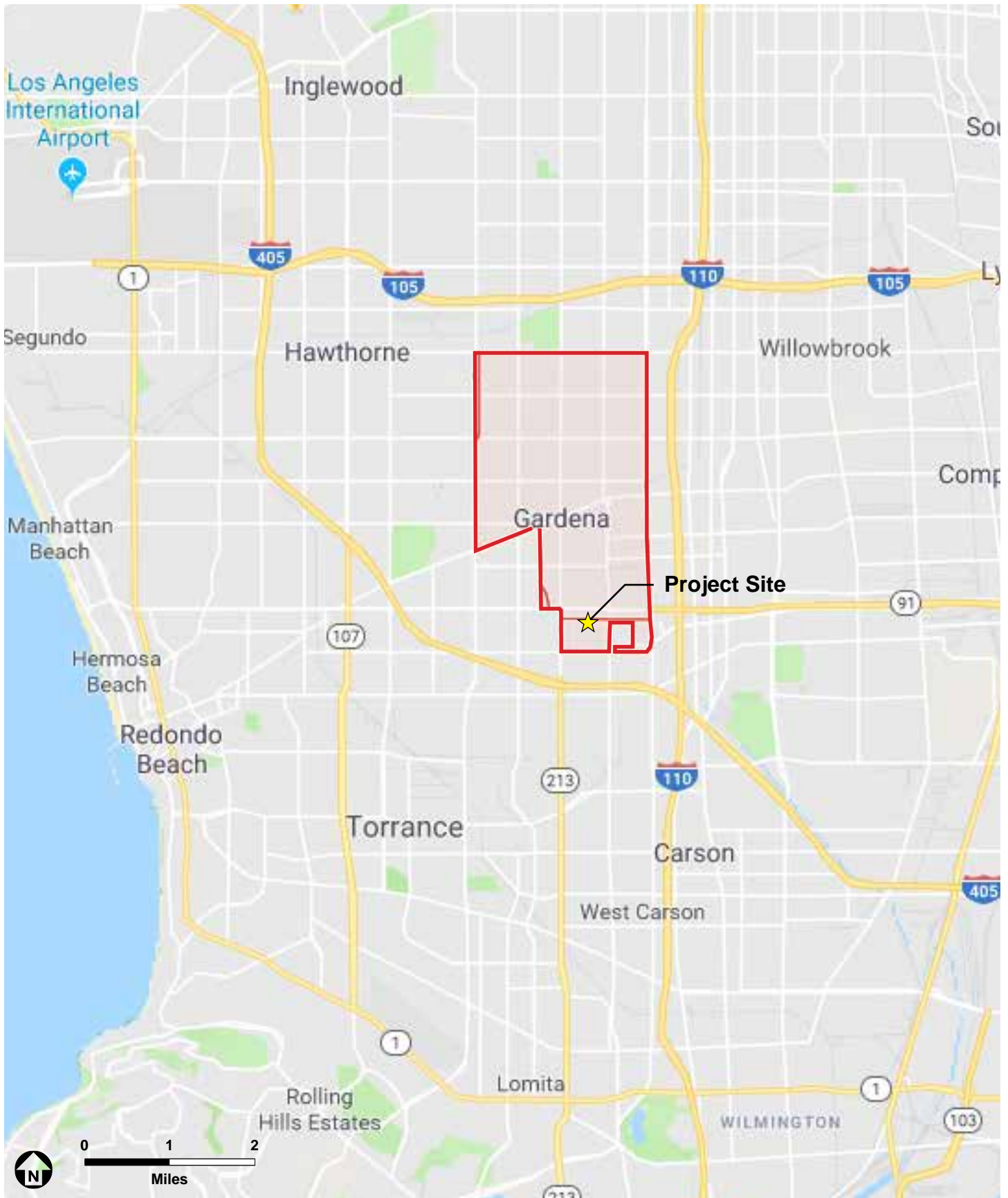
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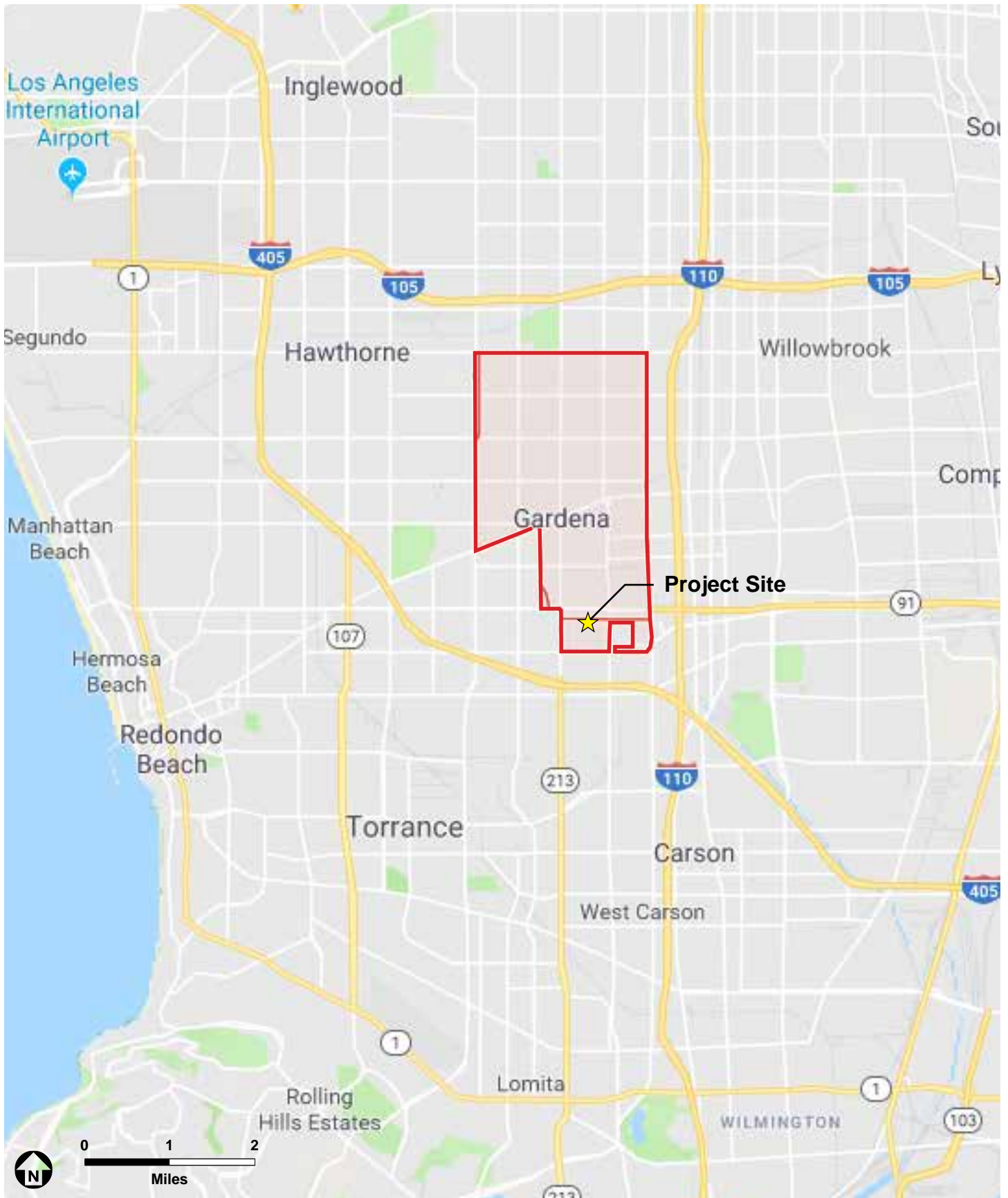
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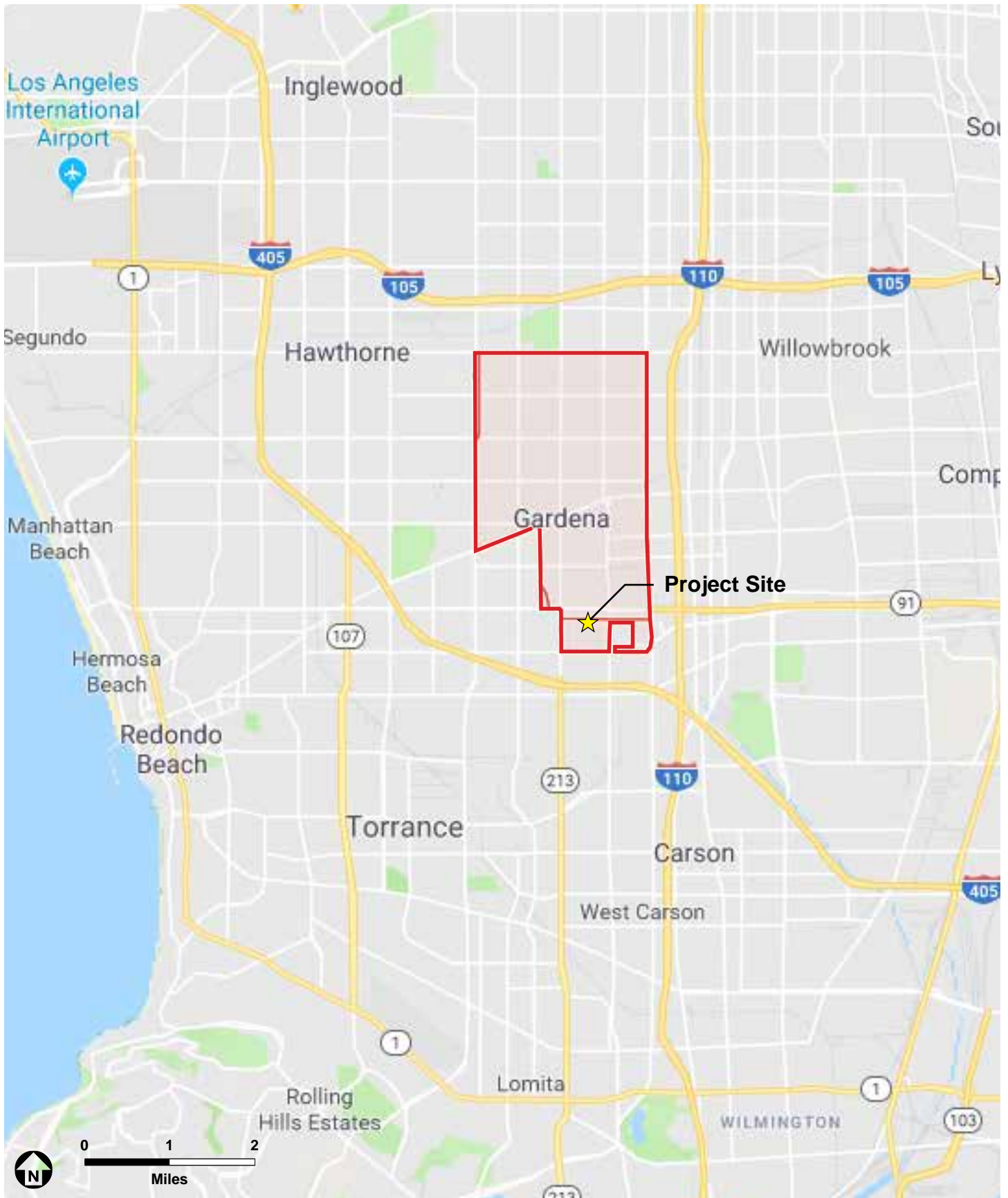
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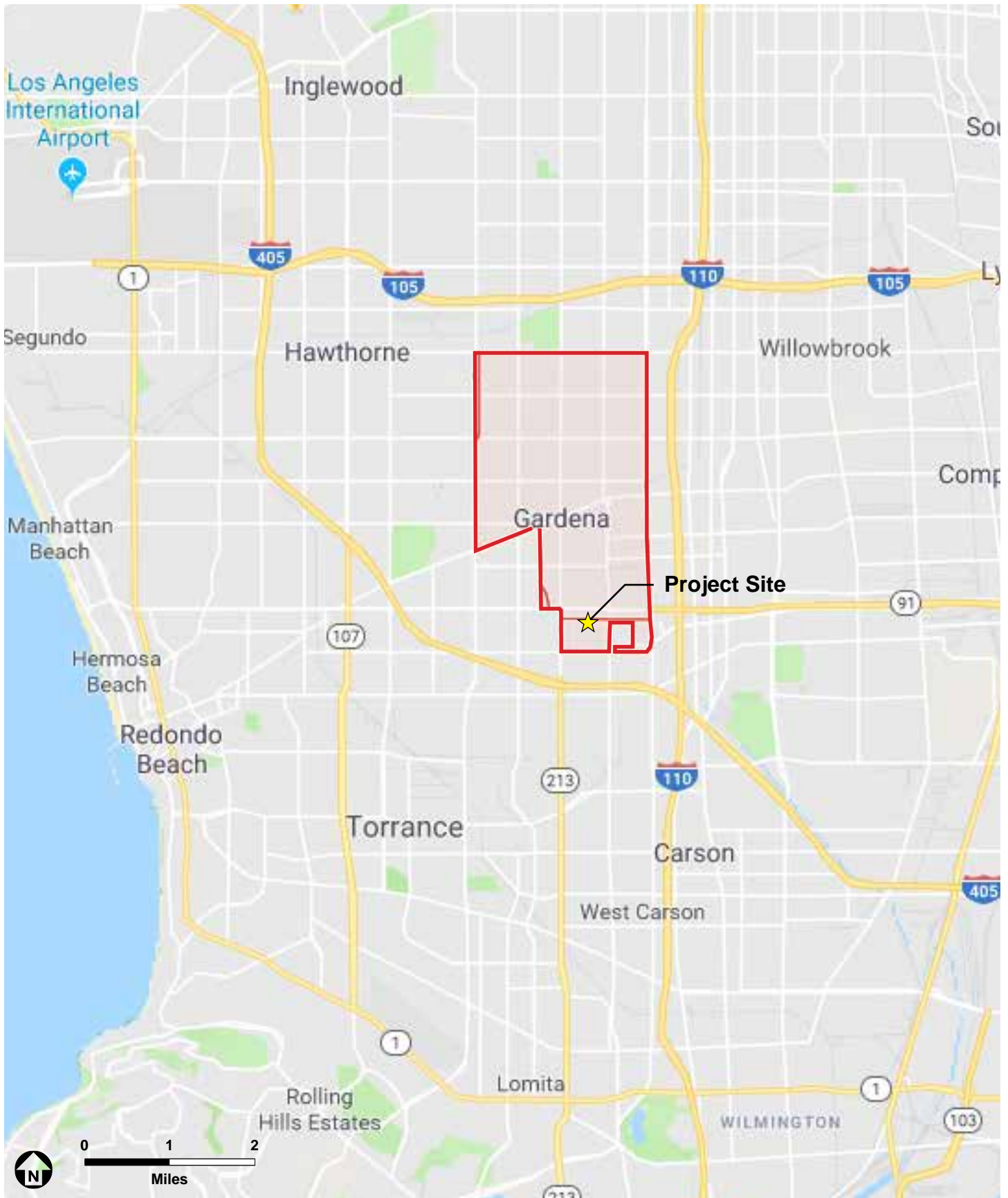
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Dear Sandonne Goad,

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The Project site involves a 5.63-gross-acre property comprised of two parcels (APN 6106-013-040 and 6106-013-041), located at 1515 West 178<sup>th</sup> Street. Exhibit 2-1, Regional Vicinity Map, and Exhibit 2-2, Site Vicinity Map, depict the Project site in a regional and local context, respectively. The site is fully developed as an industrial use including a trucking warehouse with associated surface parking lot and outdoor trailer storage. The Project proposes to remove all existing onsite improvements and construct a residential community consisting of 114 three-story attached townhomes. Additional improvements include 287 parking spaces, private/common open spaces, and landscaping.

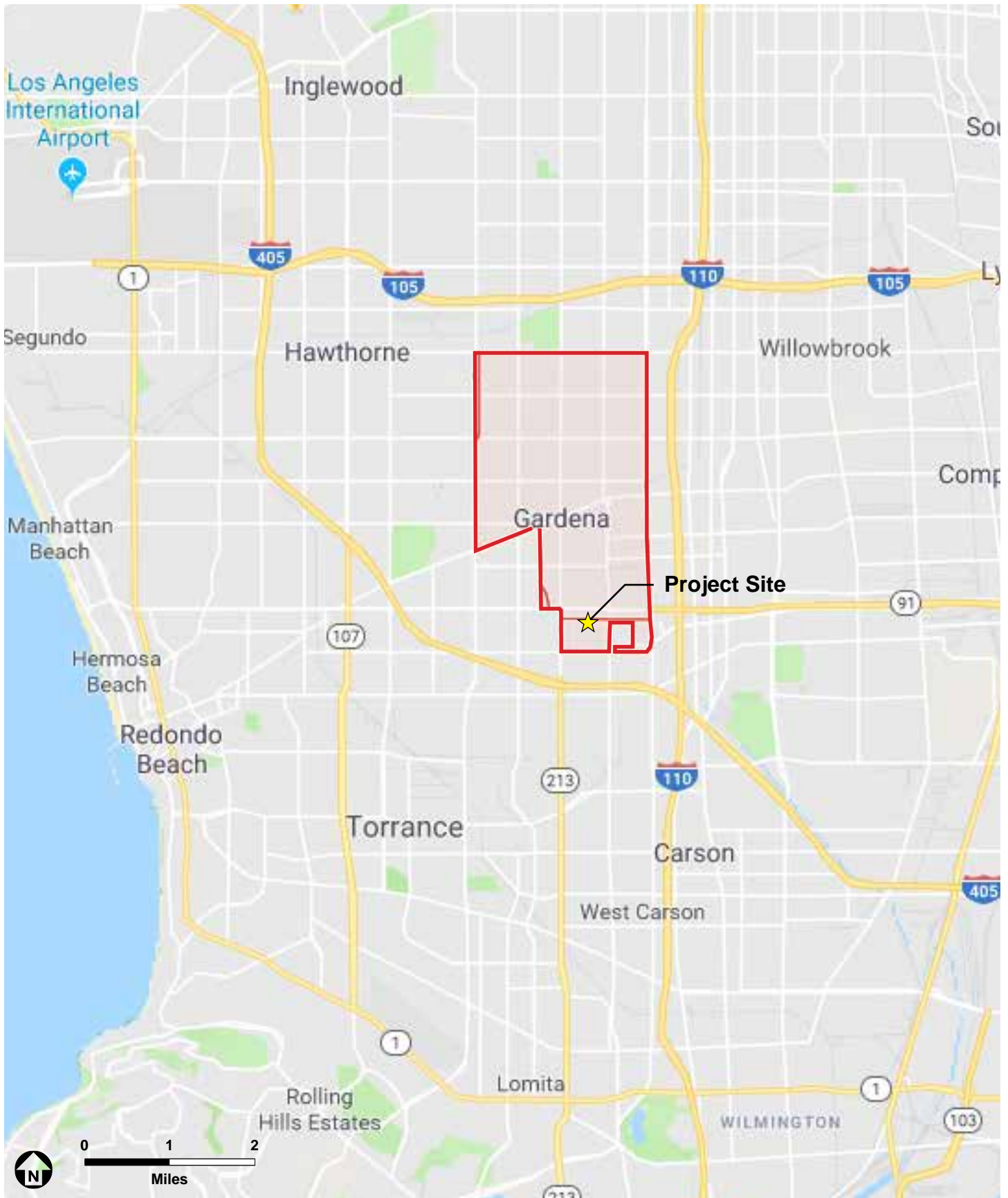
If you desire to consult with the City on review of this Project, please respond and request consultation in writing to the address above or via email to [rbarragan@cityofgardena.org](mailto:rbarragan@cityofgardena.org) within 90 days of receipt of this letter. Should the City not receive a response within 90 days, it will be presumed that you have declined consultation.

Sincerely,

Mr. Raymond Barragan  
Community Development Manager

**Attachments:**

*Exhibit 2-1, Regional Vicinity Map*  
*Exhibit 2-2, Site Vicinity Map*



Source: Google Maps







Artesia Blvd

Dominguez Channel

**PROJECT  
SITE**

W 178th St

La Salle Ave

Denker Ave

Evelyn Ave

W 179th St

W 179th St

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Feet



Source: Near Maps



Melia 178th Street Townhomes Project  
Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration  
**Exhibit 2-2**  
**Site Vicinity Map**