

TEMPE & ADOT BASIN “BOWL” PARK FEASIBILITY STUDY



Background & Site

- ADOT Retention Basin “The Pit” or “The Bowl”
 - 40 Acre SW Tempe site created from freeway construction and material storage
 - I-10, Tempe and South Mountain storm run-off & flood control
 - 1990 IGA: maintenance by Tempe, renew in 2015 (include options for public use)
 - Feasibility Study Committee of the Whole early 2014
- Feasibility Study (J2 & City Staff) Key Issues & Tasks
 - Storm & water retention needs
 - Area passive and active park, open space and recreational potential
 - Transportation Access
 - Knox Road, Warner Road, Highline Canal, pedestrian access to Phoenix

CONTEXT MAP



VICINITY MAP



SITE ACCESS / POTENTIAL PARKING



PLANT INVENTORY



Larrea tridentata
Creosote



Washingtonia filifera
California Fan Palm



Encelia farinosa
Brittlebush



Prosopis velutina
Native Mesquite



Parkinsonia aculeata
Mexican Palo Verde



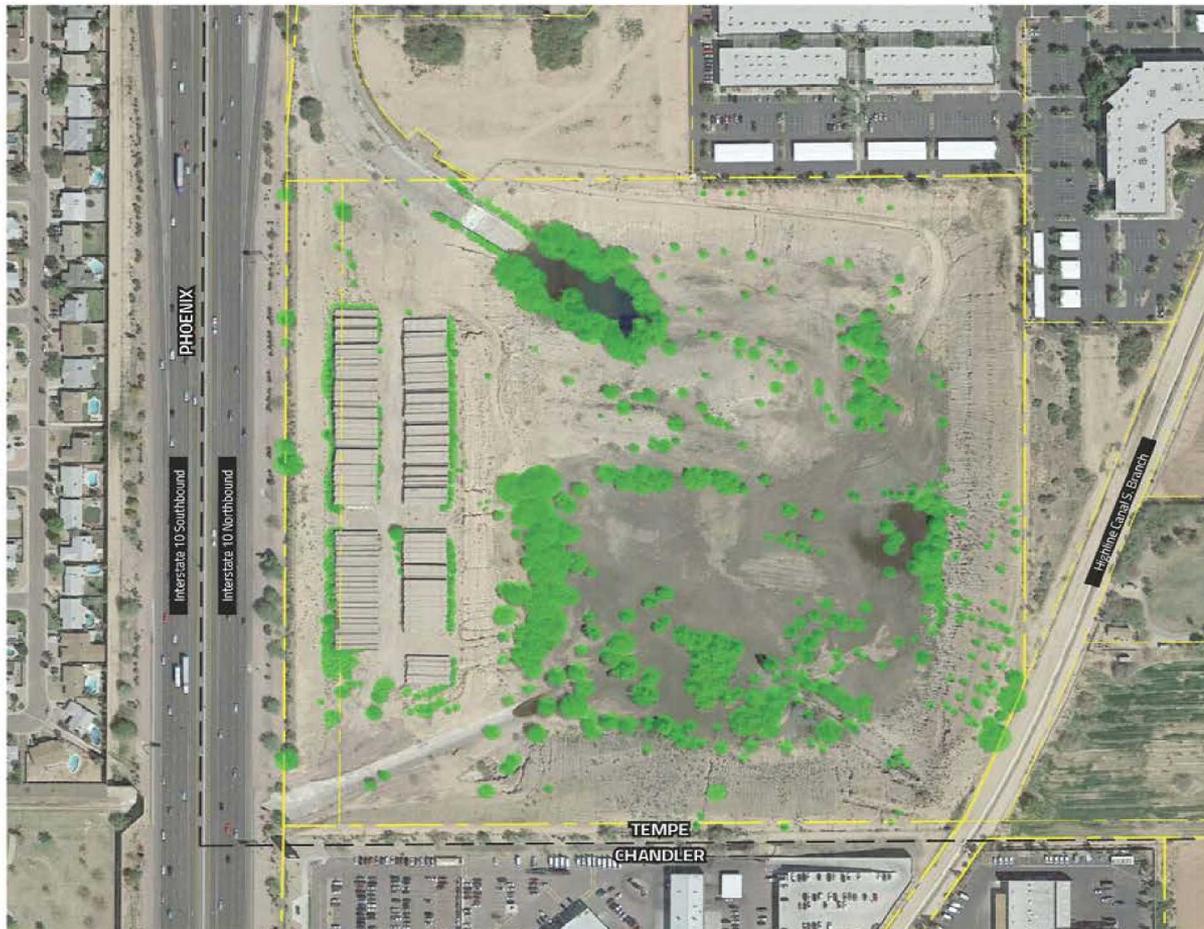
Parkinsonia florida
Blue Palo Verde



Isocoma tenuisecta
Burroweed



Baccharis sarothroides
Desert Broom



KEY SITE FEATURES



Northwest Inlet Channel



Wetlands



Existing "ADOT" Bridge Remnants: Approx. 225 Pieces



Mountain Vista Park Potential Connection



City of Tempe Parcel & Potential Trailhead



Southwest Inlet Channel



Proximity to Highline Canal



Southeast Inlet Stormdrain

Next Steps

- Create site design options balancing storm retention needs with:
 - Recreational opportunities
 - Skate/BMX facilities, baseball & soccer (multi-use fields)
 - Open space & passive recreational opportunities
 - Trails, rest areas, viewing platforms, dog parks
 - Site access (motorized & bike/pedestrian)

- Direction
 - Targeted stakeholder outreach
 - Knox Road Alignment
 - Awareness of existing Tempe park needs & budget constraints