



New York Rising Community Reconstruction Plan
South Valley Stream
Second Public Meeting: November 18th, 2013
7:00 to 9:00 PM
Forest Road Elementary School Multipurpose Room

AGENDA

- 1. WELCOME AND SIGN IN** **7:00 PM**
 - Where do you live? (locate your home on the map!)

- 2. PRESENTATION** **7:15 PM**
 - Potential Strategies for making South Valley Stream more resilient

- 3. CURRENT THOUGHTS AND FEEDBACK** **7:45 – 9:00 PM**

Please visit the six information stations located around the room, review initial thoughts for making the area more resilient, and give us your feedback

 - Station #1: The Planning Process
 - Station #2: Manage Tidal Flow
 - Station #3: Retain Stormwater
 - Station #4: Reinforce the Power Grid
 - Station #5: Strengthen Communication and Coordination
 - Station #6: Maintain and Enhance Economic Viability

- 4. RESOURCE TABLE**

In addition, if you have specific questions regarding your own property concerns, please visit the Federal, State and County representatives at the Resource Table.

THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING THIS EVENING'S MEETING!

We hope you will remain involved with this project by:

- Visiting the project website at: <http://stormrecovery.ny.gov/nycrc/community/south-valley-stream>
- Attending the next public meeting in early 2014. The exact date will soon be set, so please check the schedule website at: <http://stormrecovery.ny.gov>



Meeting Notes

South Valley Stream

Public Engagement Event #2

November 18, 2013, 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Forest Road Elementary School

Attendance:

Community Reconstruction (CR) Planning Committee Members

Marc Tenzer; David Mandel; Ed Powers

Town Representatives

Ed Powers, Town of Hempstead Liaison

State Representatives

Laura Munafo, NY Department of State Office of Planning and Development; Ian Francis, NYS DOT

Consultant Representatives

Celine Armstrong, Perkins Eastman Architects (PEA); Simon Kates, BFJ Planning (BFJ); Nicolaas Veraart, Louis Berger Group (LBG); Jennifer Gonzales, LBG; Deana Rhodeside, Rhodeside & Harwell (RHI); Jenny Koch, RHI; Amy Pivak, 4WARD Planning.

Attendees

Jakki Silkiss, Nicole Ackerina, Carrie Solages, Alicia Barreto, Orika McDonald, Karen O'Shea, Michaelle Solages, David Vilceus, Kasey Basdeo, Lynett Jones, Clara Romero

Summary

The second Public Engagement Event for the New York Rising Community Reconstruction (NYRCR) project for South Valley Stream took place on November 18th, 2013 at the Forest Road Elementary School in South Valley Stream.

As each attendee signed in, they were given an agenda and a comment sheet with two questions. Attendees were also asked to place a small sticker on a map of the study area indicating where they lived. Representatives from FEMA, Project Hope, and Catholic Charities were available at to provide information and answer questions about specific, individual issues.

Nicolaas Veraart (LBG) made a brief presentation, which included background information about the NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program, an explanation of the conceptual plan development timeline, an overview of risk and need assessment, the set of preliminary reconstruction strategies, and a description of the process for the meeting.

After the presentation, attendees were invited to view ideas and strategies posted at five stations. They gave their feedback by asking questions or speaking with the member of the consultant team that was standing near each station, and they were invited to mark up maps and boards and respond to specific questions posted at each station. Participants were also asked to vote on the top two projects they supported most at each station, using dot stickers.



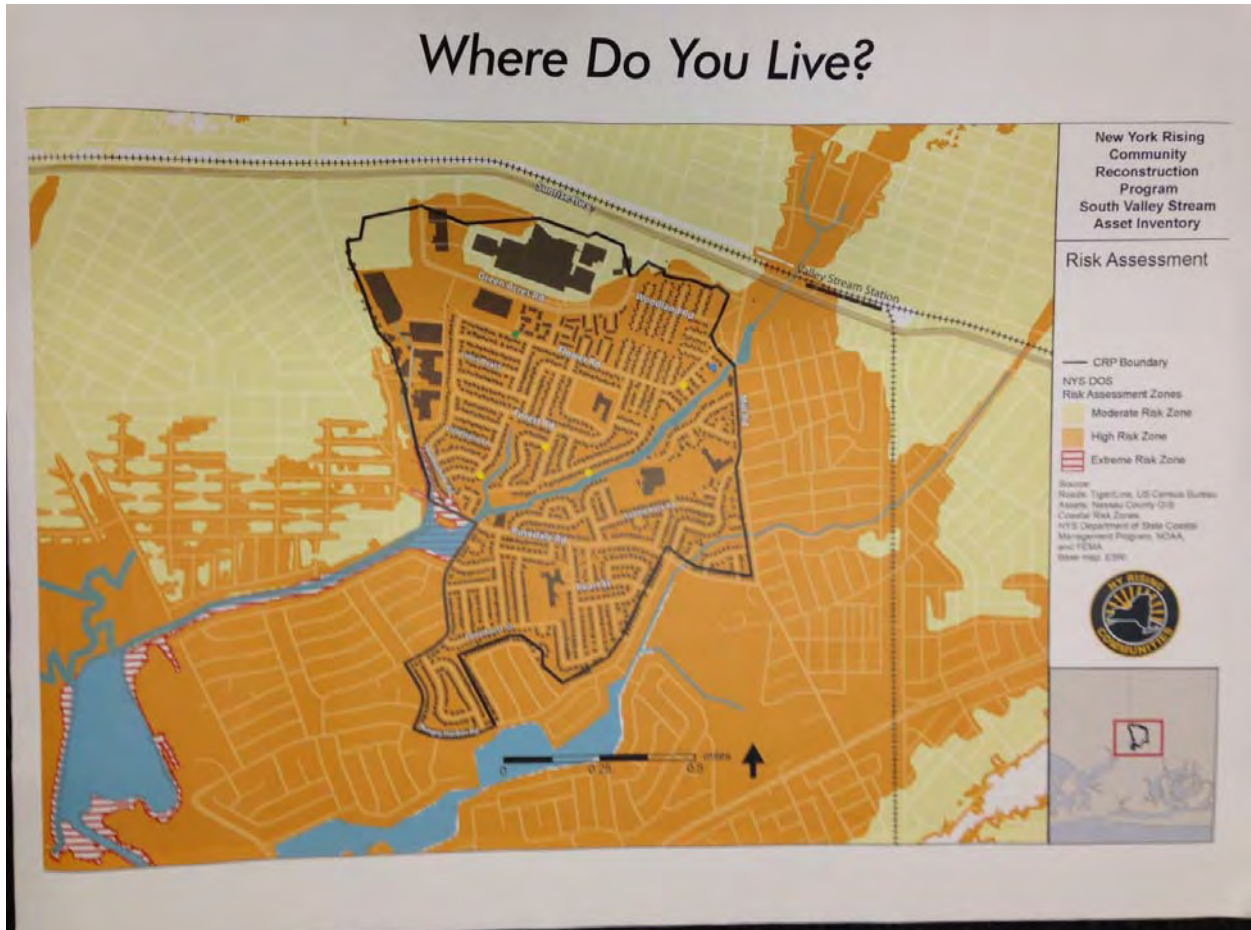
The stations provided information related to five strategy themes from the draft Conceptual Plan: 1) Manage Tidal Flow, 2) Retain Stormwater, 3) Reinforce Power Grid, 4) Strengthen Communication and Coordination, and 5) Maintain and Enhance Economic Viability. Each of the boards also indicated which of the six critical asset areas the strategies aimed to address: 1) Community Planning and Capacity Building, 2) Economic Resilience, 3) Health & Social Services, 3) Housing, 4) Infrastructural Systems, and 5) Natural & Cultural Resources.



Feedback given at each station is described below. Where attendees wrote responses to the posted questions, responses are edited only for clarity.

“Where do you live?”

Upon signing in, participants were asked to respond to the question, “Where do you live?” by placing a sticker on a map of the study area indicating the location of their home.



Theme #1: Manage Tidal Flow

Summary of general input at this station

Homeowners would like to see their shoreline protected. Most of the properties along the streams in this area are privately owned.

Participants voted most in favor of the following local projects:

- 7 votes: Incentivize contiguous shoreline restoration and protection along private property
- 1 vote: Restore natural shoreline along “The Path”

Questions & Responses

Do you know of any constraints that might make the proposed actions difficult or impossible to achieve?

- [No responses]

Do you have any additional ideas for ways to make the South Valley Stream community more resilient with regard to floods caused by tidal flow?

- How private property owners can restore natural shorelines
- What to plan, now -> immediate, interim measures for homeowners -> guidebook
- Incentivize shoreline protection, so that it's contiguous
- Natural shoreline on NW side of Valley Stream
- Deteriorating bulkheads on Hook Creek Ext. -> incentivize natural shoreline
- I would love to have the stream restored to its natural beauty.



Theme #2: Retain Stormwater

Summary of general input at this station

There is a general interest in better understanding best management practices as well as implementing green infrastructure.

Participants voted most in favor of the following local projects:

- 2 votes: Develop Community Information campaign regarding Green Infrastructure
- 1 vote: Encourage implementation of Green Infrastructure and subsurface stormwater retention at Sunrise Multiplex site

Questions & Responses

Are there any other strategies for addressing stormwater management that South Valley Stream should consider?

- “There used to be turtles, there used to be fish, and they are not there any longer.” – Community Member
- The trees fell in – now they are gone. Used to have picnics under the willow tree along the stream.



Theme #3: Reinforce Power Grid

Summary of general input at this station

The community would like to pursue micro-grid and renewable energy options.

Participants voted most in favor of the following local projects:

- 3 votes: Develop a micro-grid network with pilot project
- 2 votes: Identify renewable energy sources
- 2 votes: Bury utility lines, especially in forested areas
- 1 vote: Extend the natural gas network, especially to critical facilities

Question & Responses

Are there additional ways to improve the capability of South Valley Stream to respond to future storm events?

[No responses]

THEME 3 REINFORCE POWER GRID

Community Planning and Capacity Building | Economic Resilience | Health and Social Services | Housing | Infrastructural Systems | Natural and Cultural Resources

Map 1: Valley Stream Station area showing Sunrise Hwy, Green Acres Mall, Robert W. Carbanaro School, and Valley Stream High School. Legend: Proposed Facilities (orange).

Map 2: Sandy Inundation map showing locations with minimal to no Sandy inundation (circles) and Sandy Inundation (shaded areas).

Diagram: Smart Micro Grid Network showing connections between a Power Site, various loads (Propane, Natural Gas, Oil, Biomass, Solar), and a Distribution System.

Local Projects:

•	•	•	Develop a micro-grid network with pilot project
•	•		Identify renewable energy sources
	•		Extend the natural gas network, especially to critical facilities
•	•		Bury utility lines, especially in forested areas

Images: Combined System (wind turbine and solar panels), Solar Panels along a Stream Corridor.

Theme #4: Strengthen Communication and Coordination

Summary of general input at this station

There was concern for how people communicate without electricity. A response team would be valued.

Participants voted most in favor of the following local projects:

- 1 vote: Establish a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)
- 1 vote: Establish a warming and cooling center at Green Acres Mall
- 1 vote: Provide for community monitoring and oversight of project implementation

Questions

What additional strategies should we consider for strengthening communication and coordination in the South Valley Stream community so that people are better informed during emergencies?

- Preserve trees/plant new trees along eroded streams (willows fell in).
- Dredge stream to improve habitat. [With a sketch]



Theme #5: Maintain and Enhance Economic Viability

Summary of general input at this station

Generally, residents are more concerned about maintaining personal property values rather than businesses.

Participants voted most in favor of the following local projects:

- 1 vote: Resilient Home Construction
- 1 vote: Encourage maintaining the economic viability of the community's key economic assets while encouraging implementation of green infrastructure to manage the stormwater associated with these assets.

Questions

What actions would be appropriate to maintain and enhance the economic conditions of the South Valley Stream Area?

- Maintain property values

MAINTAIN AND ENHANCE ECONOMIC VIABILITY

Valley Stream Station

Sunrise Hwy

Green Acres Mall

Mill Brook

North Woodmere

Important Economic Asset to South Valley Stream

Figure 1 - Wet Proofing: Measures to make the building more resilient to flooding

Figure 2 - Dry Proofing: Measures to keep water out of the building.

Resilient Home Construction

Local Projects

•	Resilient Home Construction
•	Encourage maintaining the economic viability of the community's key economic assets while encouraging implementation of green infrastructure to manage the stormwater associated with these assets.

Large Economic Generator

Large Parking Lot / Plaza with Multi-use Activities

THEME 1 **MANAGE TIDAL FLOW**

- Community Planning and Capacity Building
- Economic Resilience
- Health and Social Services
- Housing
- Infrastructural Systems
- Natural and Cultural Resources



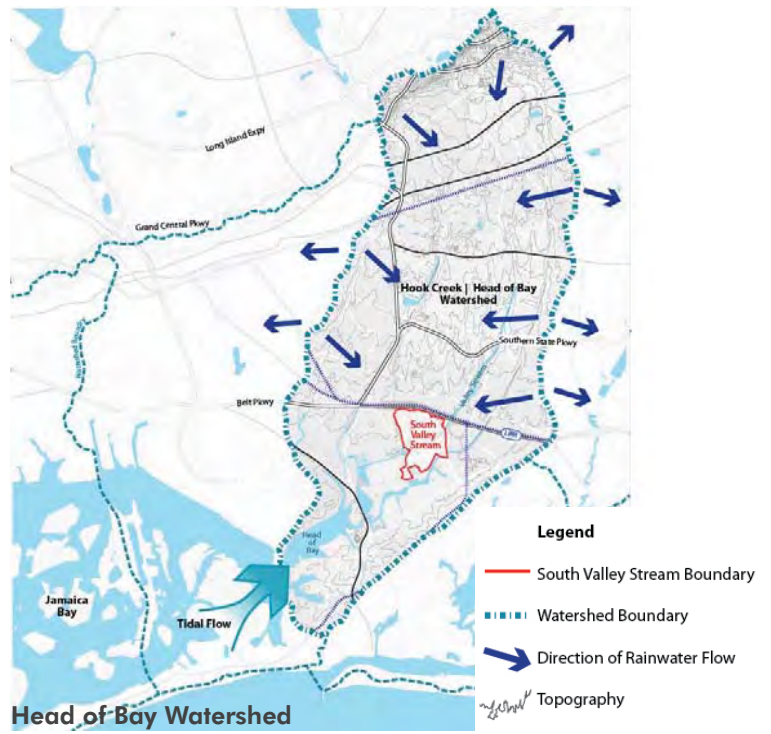
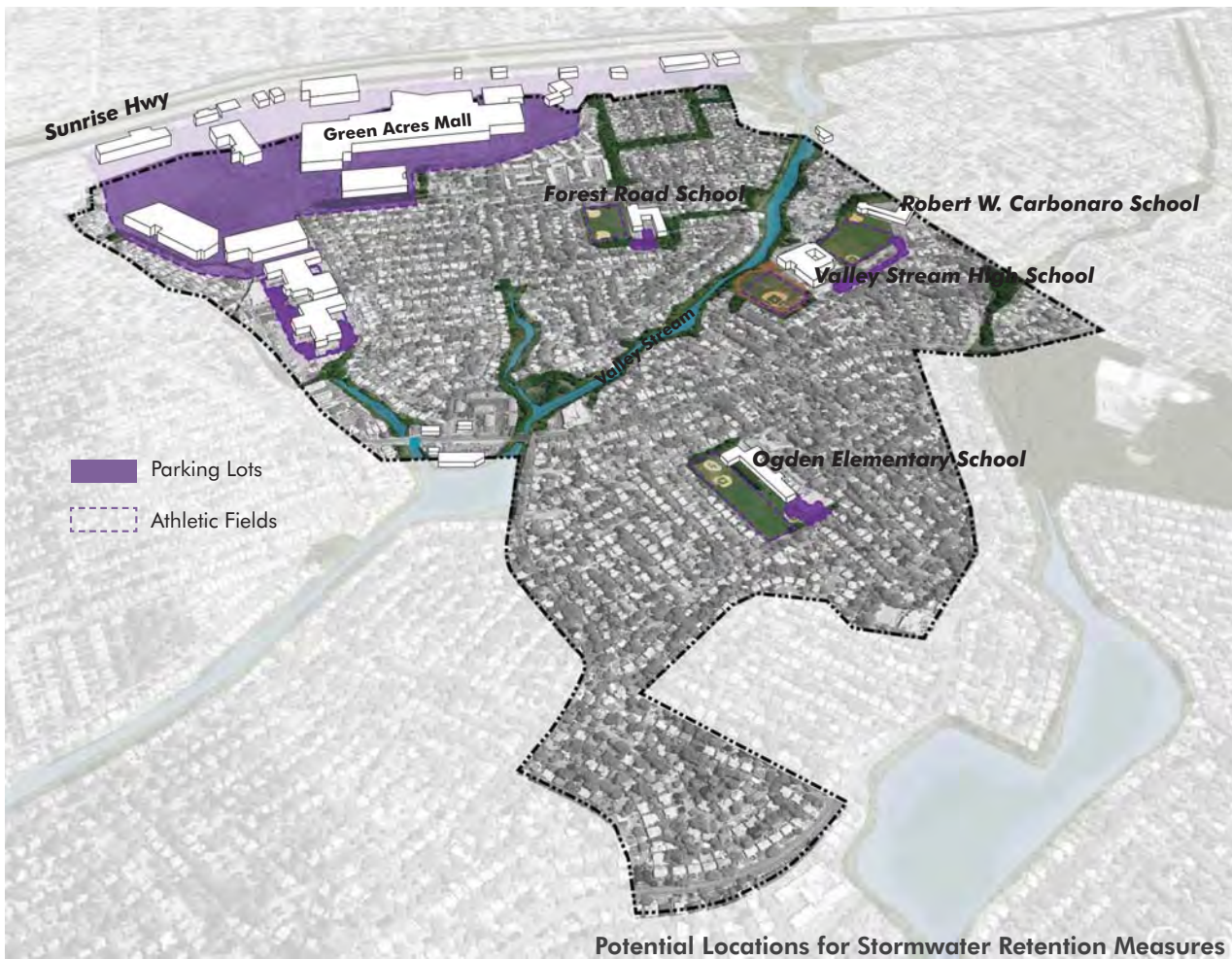
Local Projects

vote here	Incentivize contiguous shoreline restoration and protection along private property
vote here	Restore Shoreline at Brook Road Park
vote here	Restore natural shoreline along 'The Path'
vote here	Corridor restoration and riverbank stabilization along Valley Stream and Hook Creek



THEME 2 **RETAIN STORMWATER**

- Community Planning and Capacity Building
- Economic Resilience
- Health and Social Services
- Housing
- Infrastructural Systems
- Natural and Cultural Resources



Local Projects

<small>vote here</small>	Encourage implementation of Green Infrastructure and subsurface stormwater retention at Sunrise Multiplex site
<small>vote here</small>	Develop a strategic approach to green infrastructure
<small>vote here</small>	Develop Community Information campaign regarding Green Infrastructure
<small>vote here</small>	Convert impervious pavements to semi-pervious surfaces in school parking lots

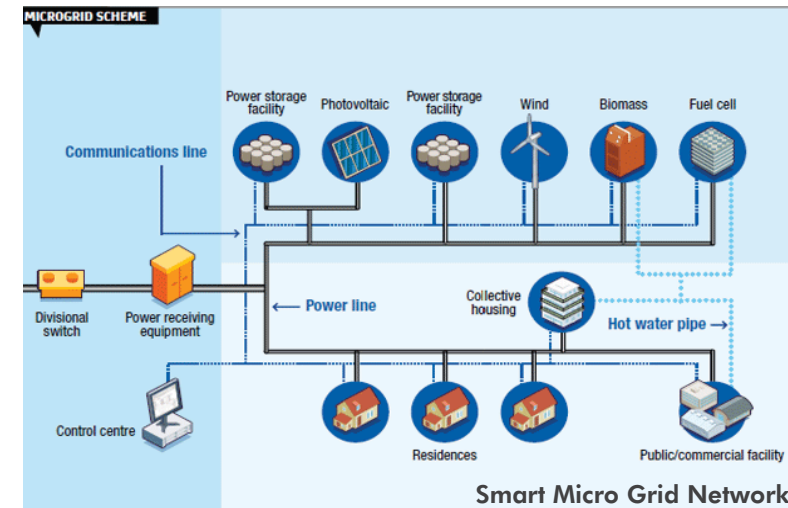


THEME 3 REINFORCE POWER GRID

- Community Planning and Capacity Building
- Economic Resilience
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- Locations with minimal to no Sandy inundation to the North and South of Valley Stream.
- Sandy Inundation



Local Projects

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vote here	Identify renewable energy sources
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THEME 4 **STRENGTHEN COMMUNICATION AND COORDINATION**

Community Planning and Capacity Building

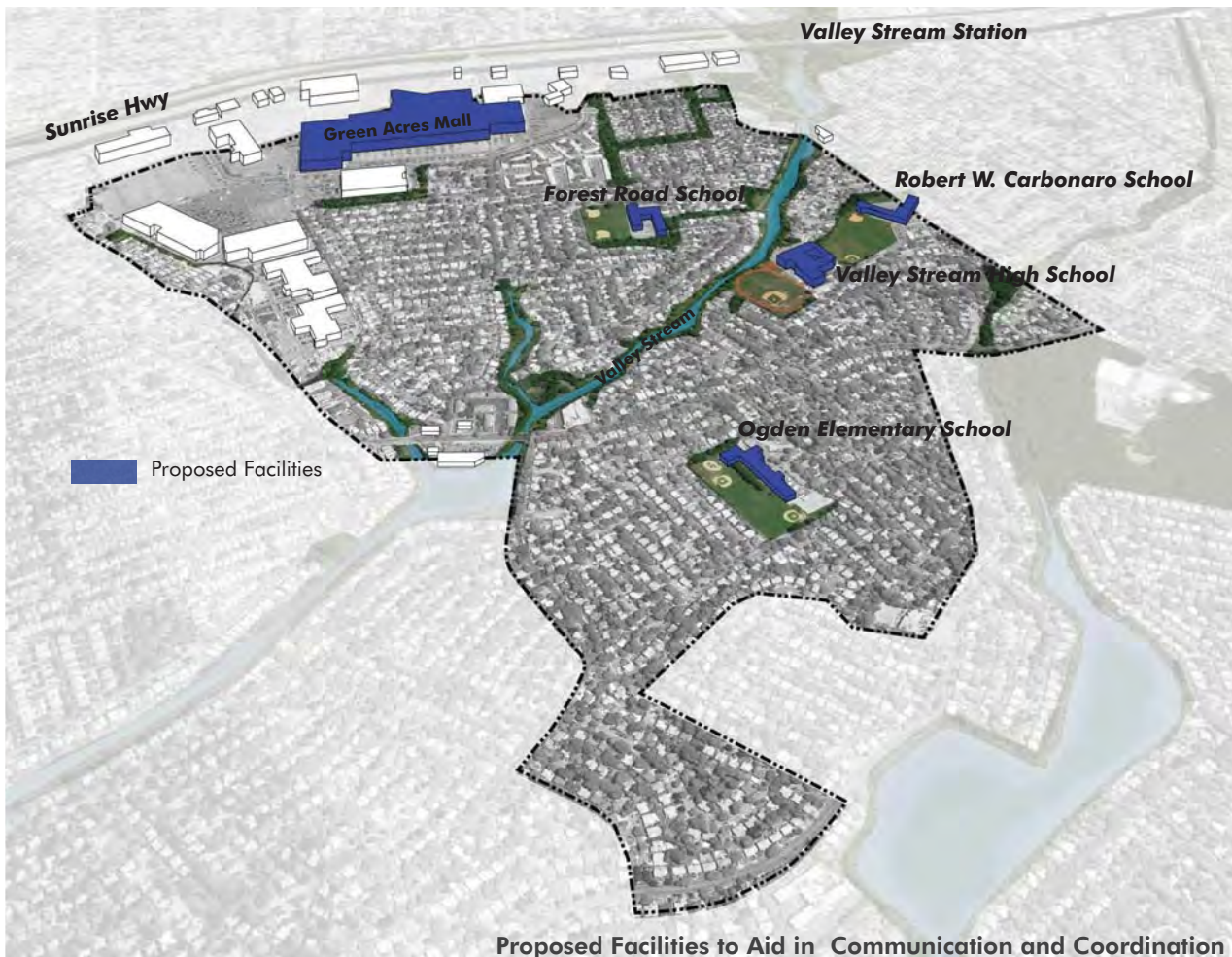
Economic Resilience

Health and Social Services

Housing

Infrastructural Systems

Natural and Cultural Resources



Proposed Facilities to Aid in Communication and Coordination

HOW AMERICANS USE SOCIAL TOOLS IN EMERGENCIES



Emergency Social Users
will take action based on social information



76% will contact friends to see if they are safe



37% will purchase supplies or seek safe shelter.



25% will download an emergency app



Mobile apps and social media are tied as the **4th** most popular source for emergency information during a disaster.



1 in 5 Americans have used an app for emergency info.



It's **BEST** to call **9-1-1**



American Red Cross



More than **76%** expect help to arrive within 3 hours of posting need to social site.

Source: Red Cross

Local Projects

vote here	Identify vulnerable populations for emergency response
vote here	Establish a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)
vote here	Establish a warming and cooling center at Green Acres Mall
vote here	Provide for community monitoring and oversight of project implementation



Special Needs Services



CERT Team Meeting

THEME 5 MAINTAIN AND ENHANCE ECONOMIC VIABILITY

- Community Planning and Capacity Building
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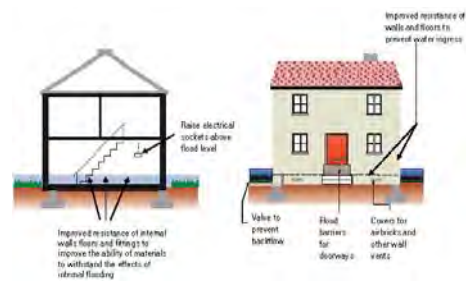
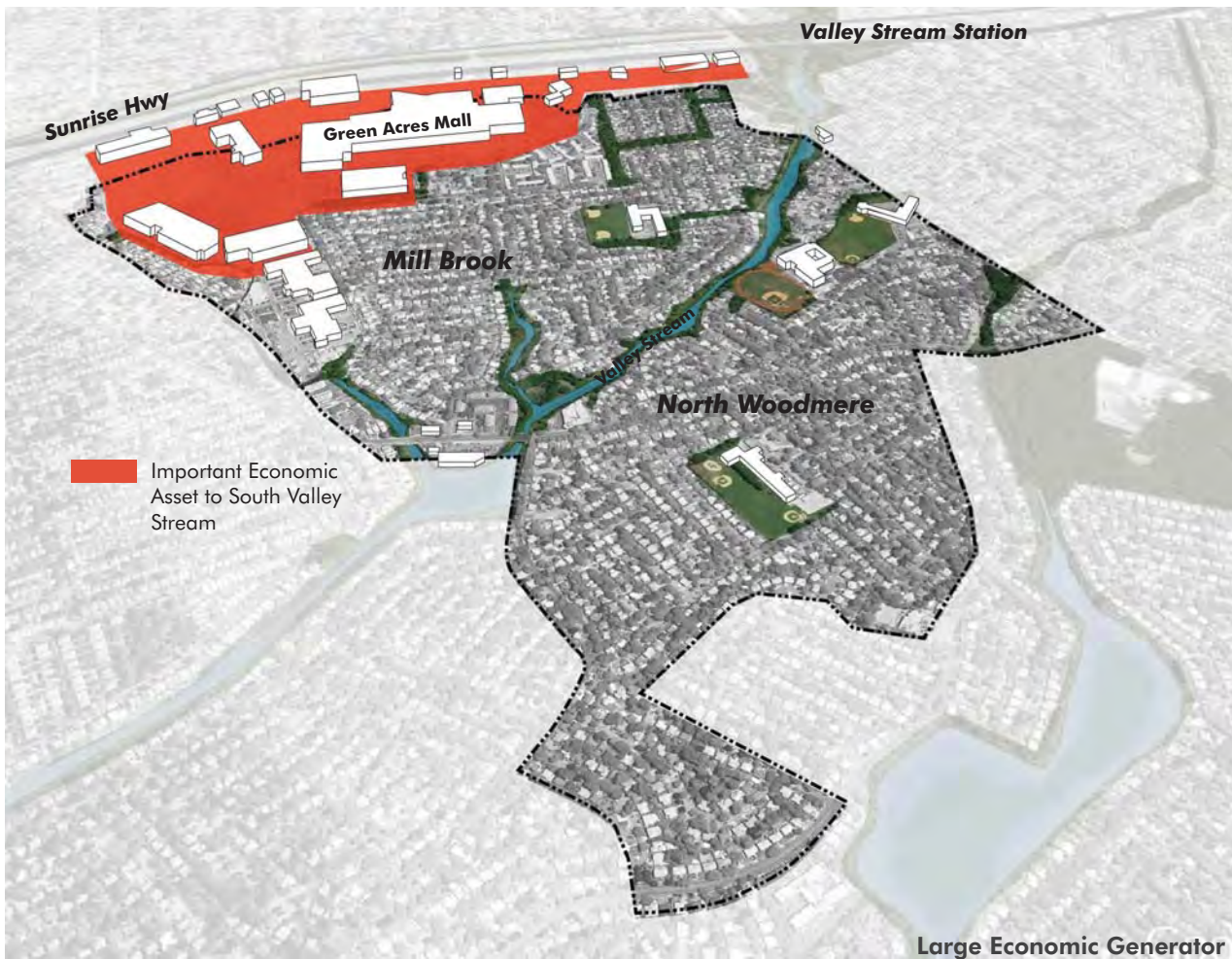
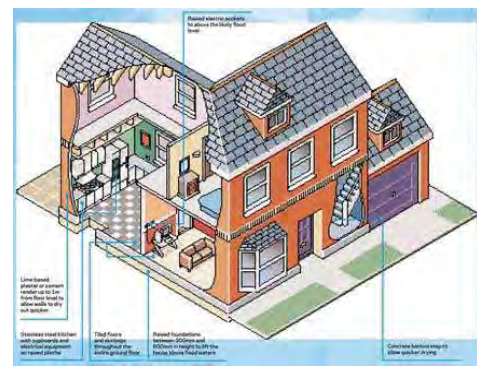


Figure 1

Figure 2

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Resilient Home Construction

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Large Parking Lots / Plazas with Multi-use Activities



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Sign In Sheet

Committee Member Sign-In

Committee Member	Signature	Contact Information
1. Mark Tenzer MARC		
2. Tricia Vanderbeck		
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Guest Sign-In

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1. JAKKI SILKISS	Jakki Silkiss	FEMA
2. Nicole Ackerman	Nicole Ackerman	Catholic Charities
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Nassau County Lead, Planners and Consultant Sign-In

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Comment Sheet

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