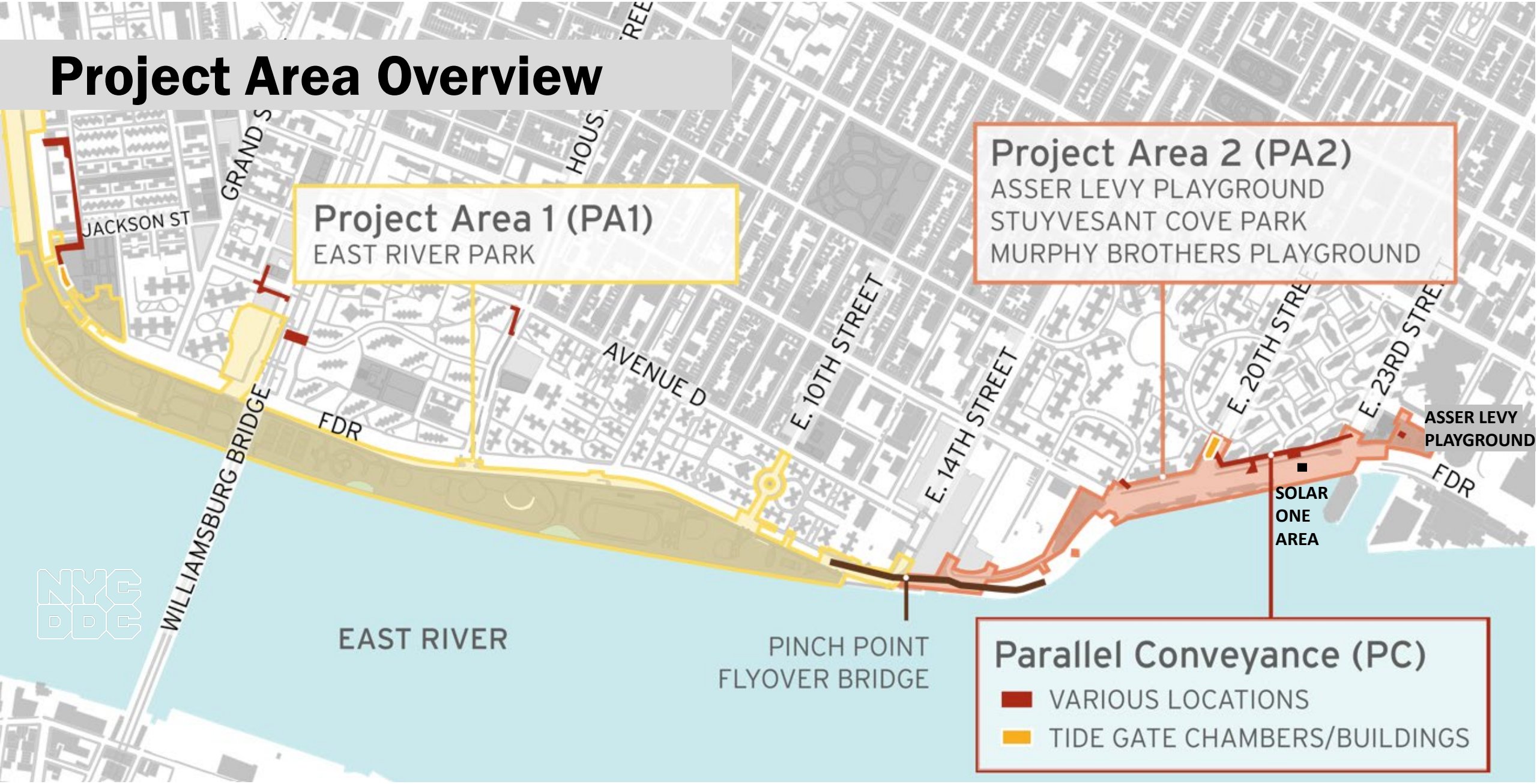
COMMUNITY ADVISORY GROUP (CAG)

Meeting #22

East Side Coastal Resiliency (ESCR) Project

Zoom Conference Call
Thursday June 23, 2022 | 4:00 pm

Project Area Overview



ESCR FOCUS AREA TOPICS

COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING & COORDINATION

Community Call for Art

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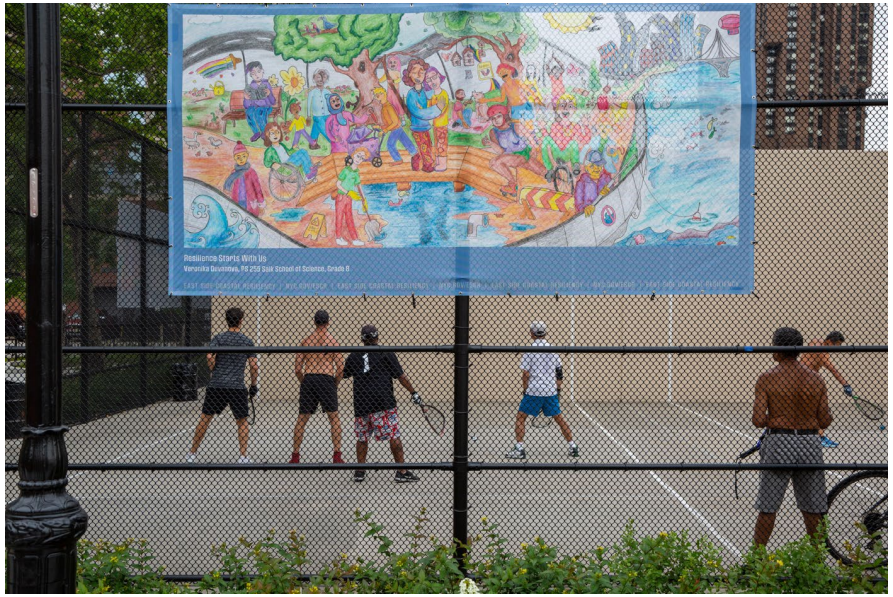

- **203 submissions city-wide including 110 from local zip codes** (10002, 10003, 10009, 10010).
- Art was collected at in-person drop boxes in Tompkins Square and Seward Park Libraries, as well as online portal for submission
- **The Selection Committee** included representatives from: Abrons Art Center, Good Old Lower East Side (GOLES), FABnyc, Lower Manhattan Cultural Council (LMCC), and LEAP NYC, as well as a member of CB6 Arts Subcommittee.
- **Final Selected Art: 40 pieces total**
  - **33 from student artists (K-12)**
  - **7 local artists (over 18)**
- Art is displayed in East River Park, Asser Levy Playground & Murphy Brothers Playground

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In Your Community

East Side Coastal Resiliency
www.nyc.gov/escr

Call for Art Panel Locations

Project Area 1 - East River Park

K-4

1. Amelia Cotler, "Community Unites", NEST+M, Grade 4
2. Atharva Gupta, "Untitled", NEST+M, Grade 4
3. Augustus Jensen, "The Williamsburg Bridge", Children's Workshop School, Grade 4
4. Keanu, "Untitled", NEST+M, Grade 4
5. Keira Zoey Isakov, "Untitled", NEST+M, Grade 4
6. Kyle Shih, "Untitled", NEST+M, Grade 4
7. Lucas H., "Friendship", NEST+M, Grade 4
8. Max Fajardo, "The LES", NEST+M, Grade 4
9. Maya Ramocki, "The Great Lower East Side", NEST+M, Grade 4
10. Olivia Florence Wald, "One Community", NEST+M, Grade 4
11. Quiana H., "Untitled", NEST+M, Grade 4
12. Raymond Li, "Untitled", NEST+M, Grade 4
13. Sarina Gregoire, "Take in the View", NEST+M, Grade 4
14. Sonia Ratushny, "Untitled", NEST+M, Grade 4
15. Summer Shih, "LES", NEST+M, Grade 4

Grade 5-8

16. Dante Levy, "Recycleaners", Learning Spring School, Grade 8
17. Idris S., "NYC", NEST+M, Grade 5
18. Julia Tang, "One Person Can Make a Difference", NEST+M, Grade 5
19. Leiland Olson, "Galactic Cooperation", NEST+M, Grade 5
20. Matthew A. Nunez, "Spread the Message", Learning Spring School, Grade 7
21. Natalka Roscishewska, "Resilience", NEST+M, Grade 5
22. Orson Huggett, "Help Stop the Flood", Learning Spring School, Grade 7
23. Romo Lee, "Rising Up Again", NEST+M, Grade 5
24. Sophia Anand, "Together", Saint Stephen of Hungary School, Grade 5
25. Veronika Duvanova, "Resilience Starts With Us", PS 255, Salk School of Science, Grade 8
26. Zoelle Catherine Luk, "All Hands In", NEST+M, Grade

Grade 9-12

27. Abby Lehmann, "The New York Fishbowl", Winston Preparatory School, Grade 12
28. Angelie, "Organically Artful", East Side Community School, Grade 11
29. Daone Choi, "A New York Street Full of Hearts", Idyllwild Arts, Grade 10
30. Iggy Roque, "Flowers of NYC - Mountain Witch Alder", East Side Community School, Grade 11
31. Jacob Flores, "Resilient City", New Utrecht High School, Grade 10
32. Kimberly Wu, "NYC vs COVID-19", New Utrecht High School, Grade 12
33. Kunyu Liang, "Mask", New Utrecht High School, Grade 12

Local Artists

34. Andrea Aimi & Third Grade Artists from Friends Seminary, "Quilt Bridges"
35. Billy the Artist, "New York Celebration"
36. Carlos Wilfredo Encarnación, "Nest"
37. Keryn Huang, "Underwater Seagrass As Coastal Protection"
38. Roberto Torres, "Farmin Gardens"
39. Silvio DelaCruz Molina, "UNIDAD"
40. Willie Jimenez, "Kids of NYC"

East River Park

Visit the Call for Art webpage for more information:
www.nyc.gov/escr/art

Department of Design and Construction

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Community Call for Art | Certificate Event

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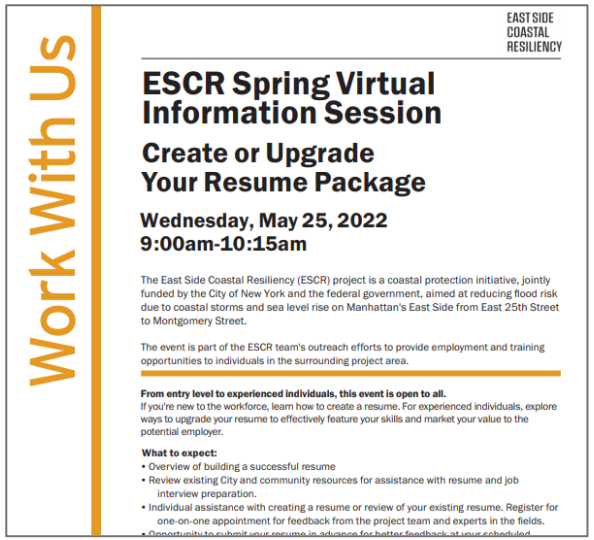
HIRING COMPLIANCE

- 5/25 Spring Virtual Information Session – Resumes: recording & presentation are available on website under Past Event Recordings
- Many thanks to Bui Studio & LESEN for organizing the event!



INFORMATION DELIVERY

- Tabling in the community
  - 6/30/2022 Gouverneur Gardens 1pm – 3pm
- Informational Mesh Panels have been reinstalled at Stanton Street gates

CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS/ APPROACH

Project Area Overview

Project Area 1 (PA1)

- NTP issued August 16, 2021
- East River Park partial closure south of Stanton Street & partial Greenway closure
- partial closure of Corlears Hook Park & Passive Lawn
- Delancey Ped Bridge removed with Corlears Hook scheduled next
- Corlears Hook Temp Ped Bridge installed
- ongoing ConEd Work
- waterfront work in progress

Project Area 2 (PA2)

- Asser Levy Playground Open
- Stuyvesant Cove Park at E 20th Street north including Solar One Area under construction
- first flood gate and over 1,000 ft of floodwall installed

Parallel Conveyance (PC)

- contract awarded in May
- potentially fall 2022 construction start
- contract duration is approximately 4 years

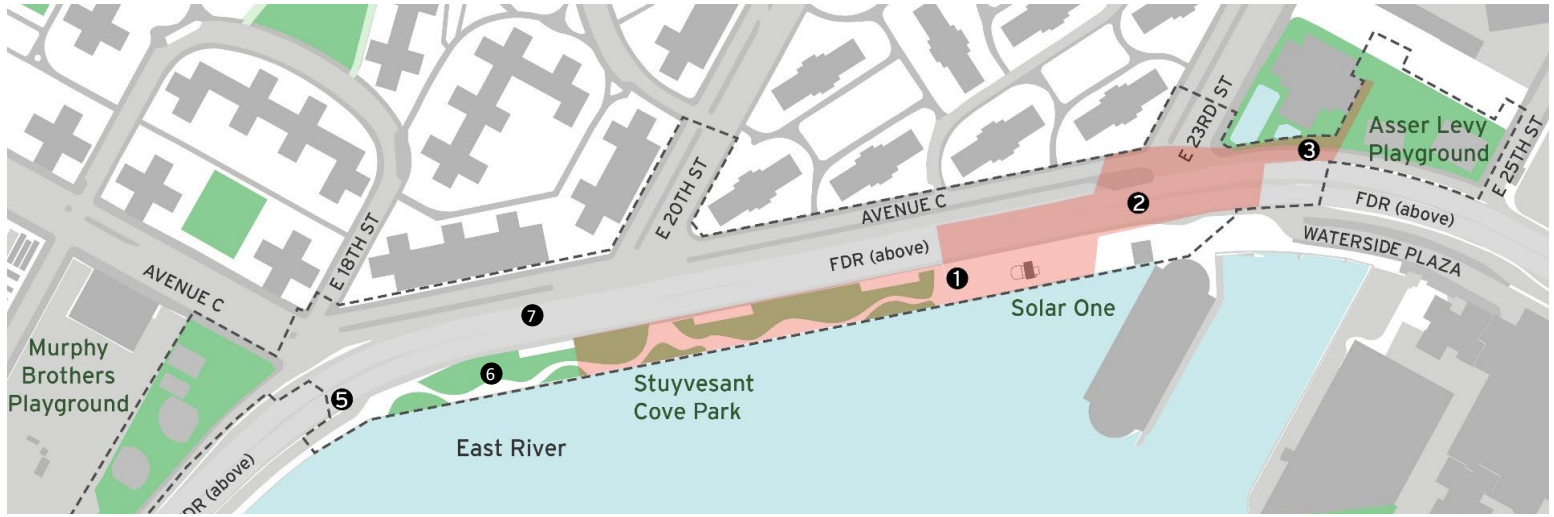
CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS/ APPROACH

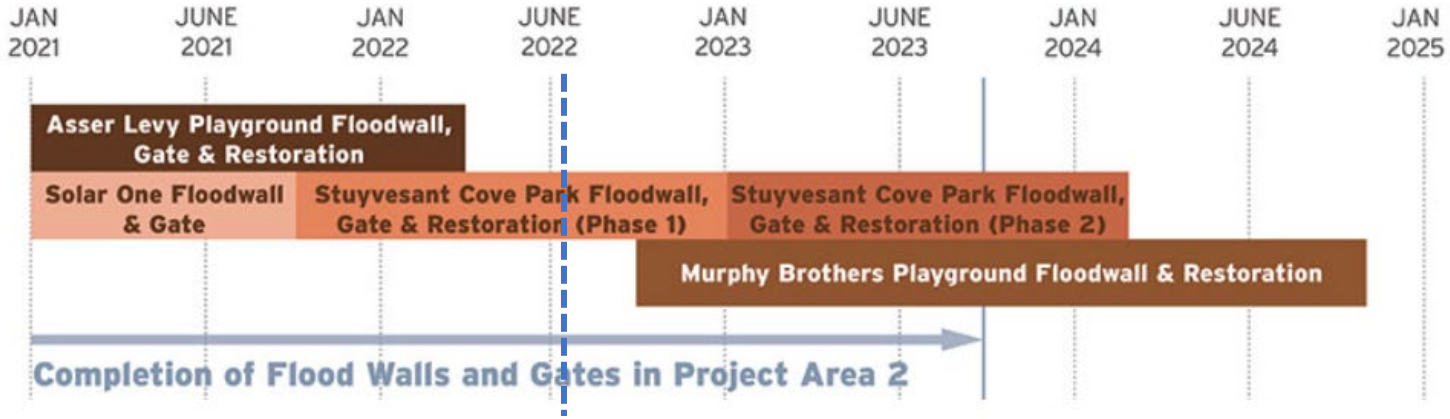
Project Area 2

PA2 | Construction Progress

ALL WORK IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

1. Stuyvesant Cove Park north of E 20th St.:
   - Seat wall construction
2. E 23rd St. Intersection:
   - utility work & floodwall construction
3. West Service Road:
   - floodwall construction
4. E 15th Street between Ave C and FDR Dr. within Con Edison Facility
   - sewer reconstruction
5. FDR Dr. NB exit 7 ramp:
   - pile installation and ECS work under FDR within fenced area
6. Stuyvesant Cove Park south of E 20 St:
   - scheduled to begin work week of July 5
   - Ferry access will remain
7. Avenue C between E 20 St and E 18 St
   - ConEd utility work

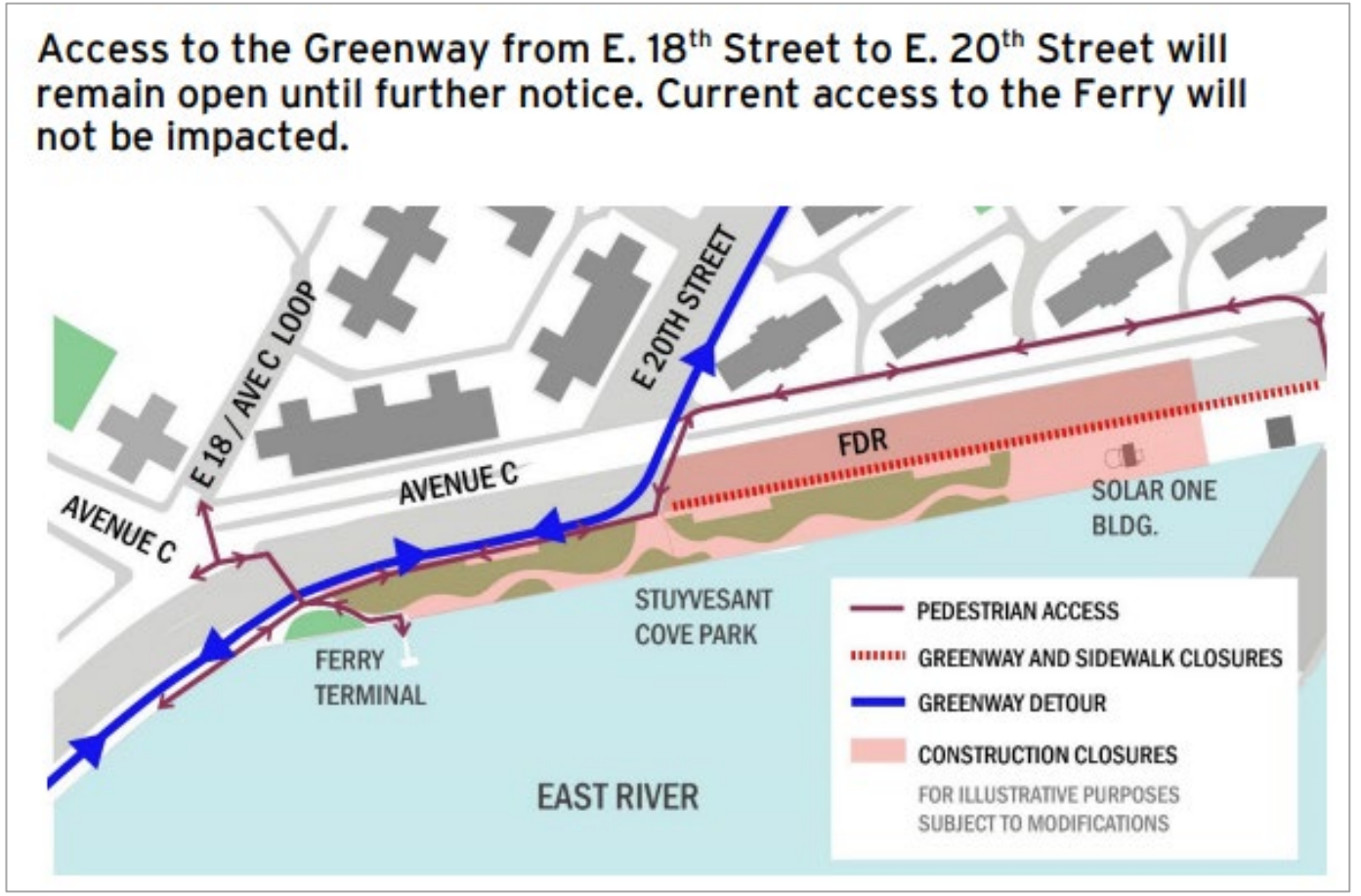




PA2 | Access in Stuyvesant Cove Park

ACCESS/ SIGNAGE/ SAFETY

- See Advisory:
- https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/escr/downloads/pdf/escr-stuyvesant-cove-park-closure-advisory.pdf



PA2 | Greenway Access Look-ahead - Update

ACCESS/ SIGNAGE/ SAFETY

July 2022

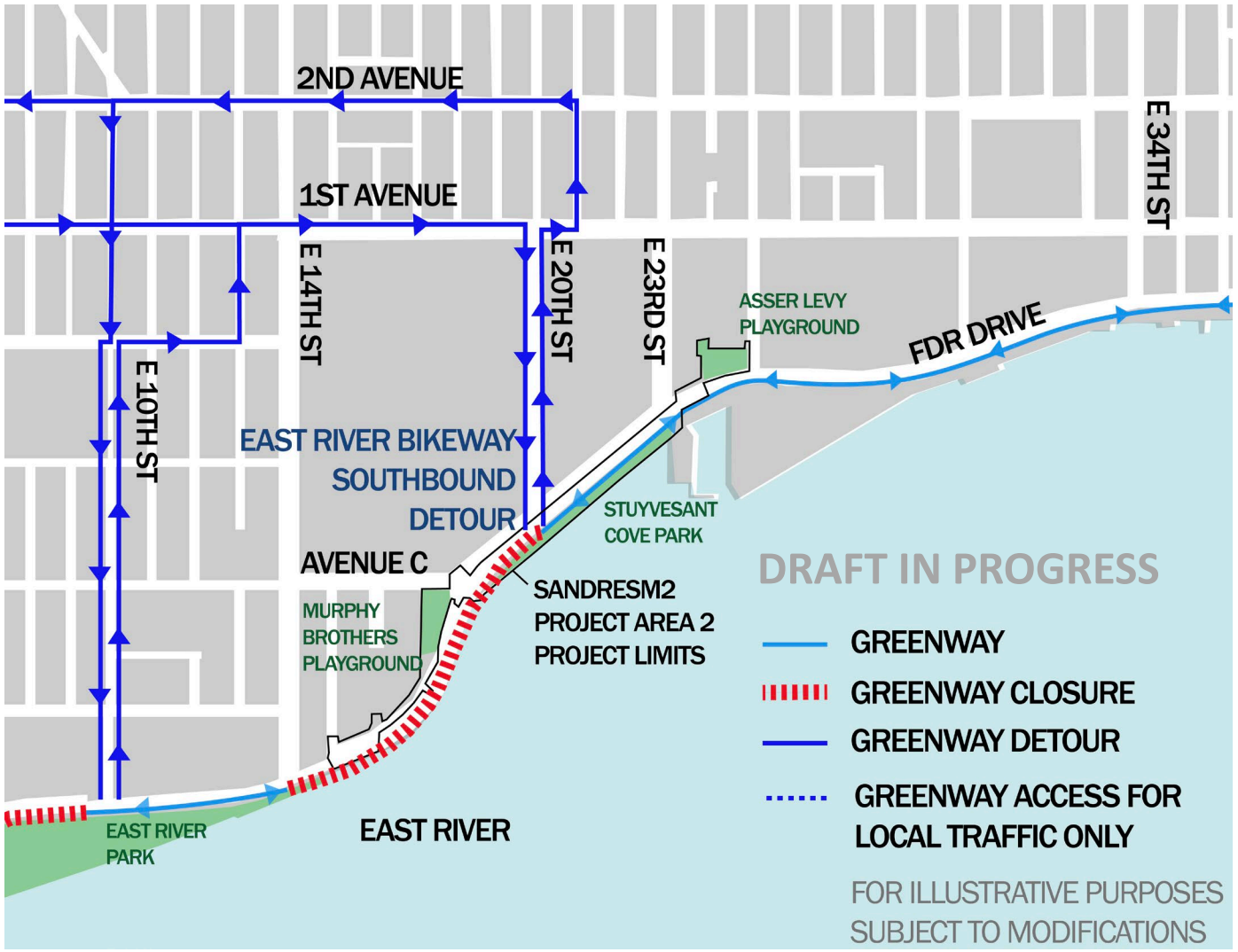
- Stuyvesant Cove Park Phase 2 (south of E20th St) will begin week of July 5
- the Greenway from E20th St south will remain open until the Greenway from E20th St north opens
- Ferry access will remain open
- https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/escr/downloads/pdf/escr-stuyvesant-cove-park-closure-advisory.pdf

PA2 | Greenway Access Look-ahead - Update

ACCESS/ SIGNAGE/ SAFETY

Fall 2022

- Greenway from E 20th St heading north will reopen
- Greenway from E20th St south will close for Stuy Cove Park Ph. 2 (advisory will be issued)
- Ferry access will remain open
- More details and dates to follow



CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS/ APPROACH

Project Area 1

PA 1 | June/July 2022 Construction Activities

ALL WORK IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

1. Coned utility work.
   Soil stabilization process along the waterfront.
   Barge work ongoing.
2. ConEd utility work near Montgomery Street & South Street.
3. Corlears Hook Park <u>partial closure</u>.
   Temporary bridge installed Sunday 6/5.
   Closing flagpole area week of 6/27.
   Corlears Hook bridge removal 7/10.
4. Passive lawn partial closure for temporary bridge and utility work.
5. Delancey Street utility, pile and abutment work.
6. ConEd work in Shared Use Path around E. Houston Street will be followed by ESCR retaining wall work. **SUP work to E. 10th Street will continue for 6-8 months.**
7. ConEd utility upgrades at E. 10th Street.
8. Ongoing partial FDR lane closures continue at various locations.
   Slip ramp construction.

Weekly Bulletins & Advisories are issued with construction activities.

PA 1 | Construction Work Sequencing

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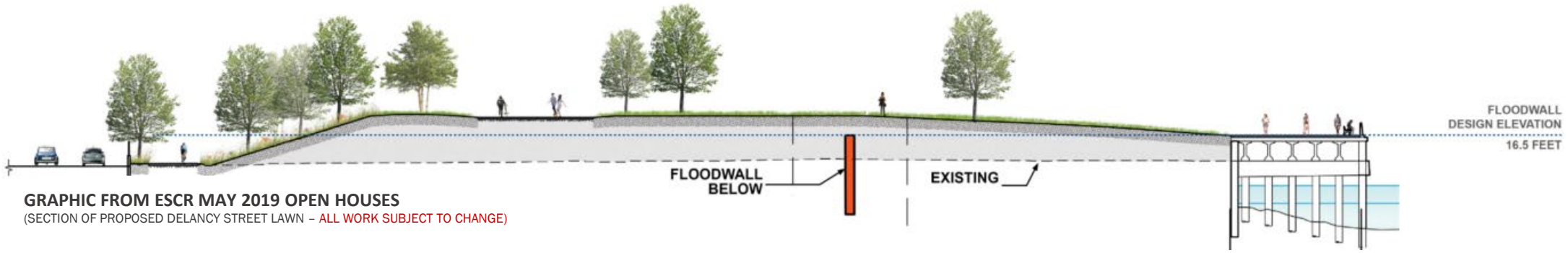

GRAPHIC FROM ESCR MAY 2019 OPEN HOUSES
(SECTION OF PROPOSED DELANCY STREET LAWN – ALL WORK SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

INLAND

A. Mobilization & Removals (in progress)

B. Sewer Replacement & Upgrade

C. Pile Installation & Concrete Foundation

D. Concrete Floodwall

E. Fill & Compaction

F. Site Elements & Materials (roadway, sidewalks, parks elements)

WATERFRONT / ESPLANADE

A. Soil Stabilization

B. Remove Esplanade

C. Install new combi-wall & cap wall

D. Install New Esplanade

E. Fill (as needed by location)

F. Site Elements & Materials (esplanade & parks elements)

PA1 | Construction Photos

Esplanade removal

Corlears Hook Temporary Bridge Ramp Structure

ACCESS/ SIGNAGE/ SAFETY

PA 1 | Houston Street Pedestrian Access

ALL WORK IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

1. Universal access and improved waterfront access been a top goal of the ESCR project from the start.
2. Though the chain link fence and barriers have been removed, the existing retaining walls channel park users to the signalized crosswalks.
3. Sight lines are improved with pedestrians approaching the intersection from the park being more visible now.
4. Images below from PDC Final Presentation: https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/escr/downloads/pdf/DDC-f-ESCR-pres-rev-final-given-to-PDC-2020-01-30.pdf

PA 1 | Houston Street Pedestrian Access

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- slide 54

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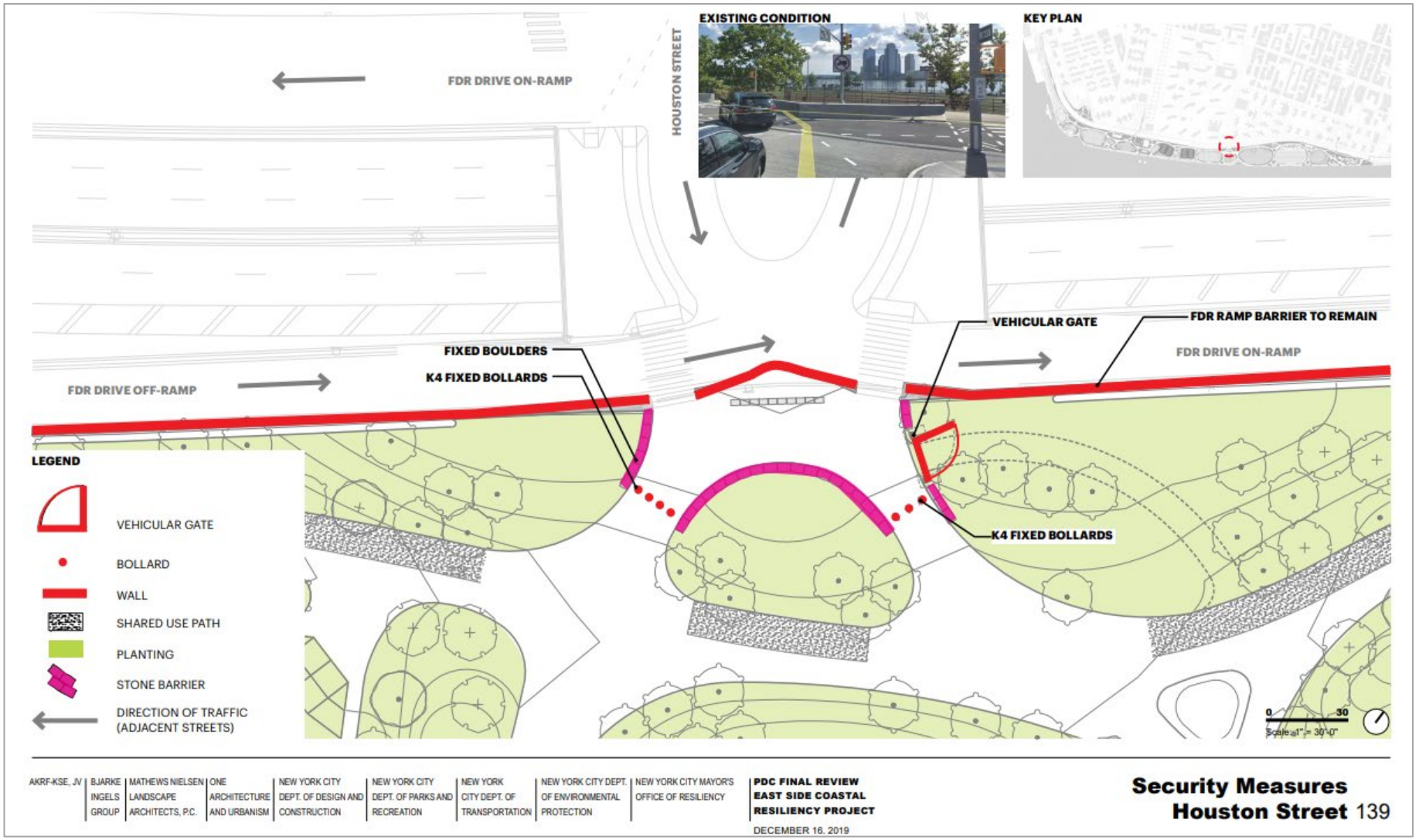
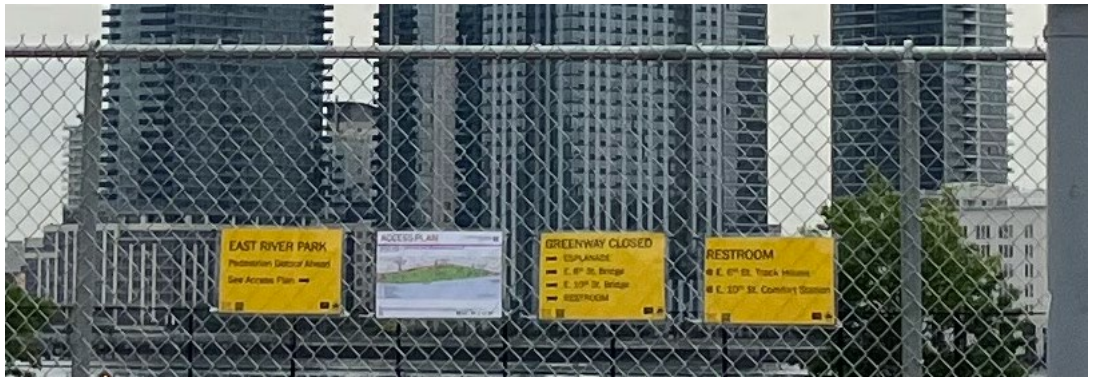


ACCESS/ SIGNAGE/ SAFETY

- **East River Park (in coordination with Parks and DOT) from 5/23/22 site visit with CAG members**
  - improve conditions of existing paths used for detours including drainage – partial path work completed
  - add entrances to open amenities – track entrances completed
  - add wayfinding signage – partial wayfinding signage installed
  - update access map & post in park – several installed onsite (thank you for comments)
  - water fountains – fully operating
- **Additional Signage**
  - in advance of Delancey Street Bridge closure
  - for upcoming PA2 Greenway closures



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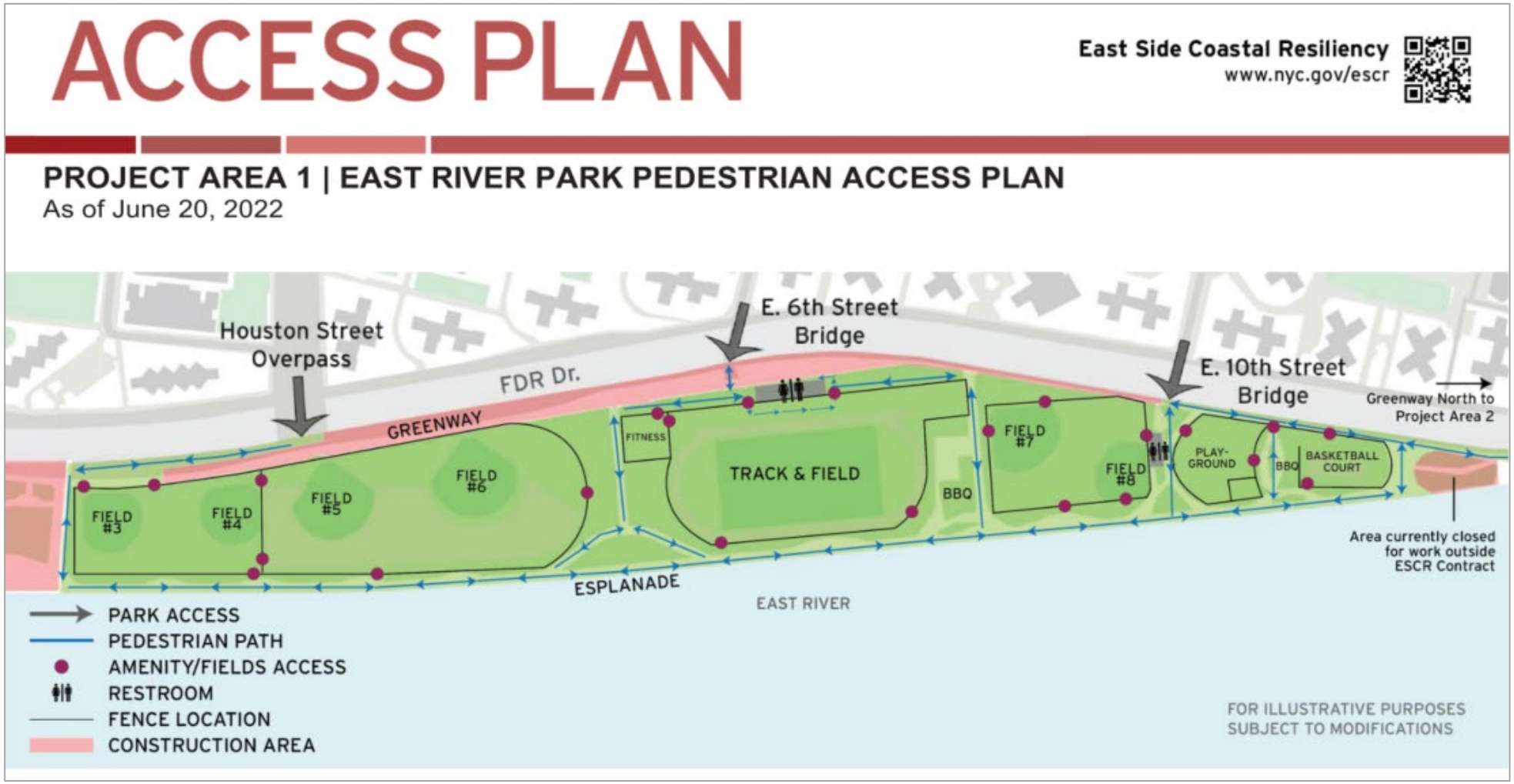

ENVIRONMENT

PA1 AQM | May 2022 Update

Work activities at East River Park focused on site preparation, utility work, temporary bridge construction, slip ramp construction and soil stabilization test work.

The PM daily value (24-hour TWA) did not surpass the PEL for the month of May.

Levels of Particulate Matter surpassed the PEL for 15-min TWA on 4 unique occasions:

- PM 2.5 levels surpassed the PEL at AQM-5 on 5/12 and at AQM-1 on 5/20 and 5/21, each for durations of 20 minutes or less.
- PM 10 levels surpassed the PEL at AQM-5 on 5/12 for 20 minutes.

- on 5/22, an outlier reading occurred at AQM-3. The reading was extremely high and was recorded for 2 minutes. It was determined to be an anomaly as the readings before and after were extremely low and it occurred at 9pm on a Sunday, when no construction was taking place.
- Construction activity was closely monitored, and dust mitigation techniques were continuously implemented to contain airborne particles due to construction activities.

ENVIRONMENT

PA1 AQM | May Monitoring Locations

ENVIRONMENT

PA2 AQM | May 2022 Update

Work activities at E23rd Street and Stuyvesant Cove Park focused on floodwall construction. On May 13, the ALP monitors were relocated south to 18th Street to reflect current construction.

The PM daily value (24-hour TWA) did not surpass the PEL for the month of May.

Levels of Particulate Matter surpassed the PEL for 15-min TWA on 8 occasions:

- **ALP Monitors:** on May 1, 9, 12, 14, 15, 16, 20, and 21 high PM 2.5 readings were recorded, however none of these readings were determined to be caused by construction, with most occurring outside of construction hours.
- **SO Monitors:** PM levels were below the PEL at Solar One for the month of May.

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QUESTIONS?