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With the recent establishment of the Paddle the LA River non-motorized boating pilot program, the Los Angeles River presents the City with an array of future recreational, tourist, and educational opportunities. The public is beginning to recognize the River's value and is demanding and taking advantage of the River for various purposes.

In order to explore and manage these opportunities, the City should investigate the feasibility of creating seasonal recreational zones along the River that allow safe, ecologically sensitive uses of the River at appropriate times of the year.

These uses can include boating, tours, clean ups, birding, horseback riding, pools, non-motorized boating, fishing, sports, biking, performance art, and cultural/social activities.

Many of these uses could be implemented with relative speed and minimal costs while recognizing that safety, wildlife habitat, seasonal weather variations, and flood management are primary concerns to be addressed.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Administrative Officer in consultation with the Chief Legislative Analyst, Bureau of Sanitation, Bureau of Engineering, Bureau of Street Services, Department of Water and Power, be directed to report with near term recommendations for establishing recreational zones along the Los Angeles River in coordination with County agencies and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

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