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**PADILLA SEEKS ESTABLISHMENT OF EQUESTRIAN TRAIL MASTER PLAN**

*Blueprint sought for growth and expansion of trail network*

**LOS ANGELES** – City Council President Alex Padilla announced today that he would seek to establish a Citywide equestrian trail master plan to outline the need for growth and expansion of horse trails for public use. Much of the scope of work would focus on the “Rim of the Valley” communities of Sylmar, Sun Valley, and Lake View Terrace.

“Los Angeles – and the San Fernando Valley in particular – have a long and historic affinity with horses and equestrian life,” said Padilla, who has ridden horseback with area community members on numerous occasions. “What the area needs is a regional equestrian trail plan so that we not only know exactly where existing trails exist – but that we can identify and meet the need for new horse trails in the future.”

Padilla’s motion to establish a regional plan, introduced at today’s City Council meeting, asks the City’s Department of Recreation and Parks to begin developing the plan’s framework. The item will return to Council for discussion next week.

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*The 7<sup>th</sup> Council District serves the communities of Lake View Terrace, Mission Hills, North Hills, Pacoima, Panorama City, and Sylmar.*