

Councils involved with Public Works

Four neighborhood councils in the San Fernando Valley have reached an agreement with the Los Angeles Department of Public Works to involve them in planning projects such as street repairs and tree trimming, officials said Monday.

The advisory panels in Studio City, Valley Village, central North Hollywood and Toluca Lake will be consulted when the department develops its periodic work plans for the areas, said University of Southern California professor Terry Cooper, who helped broker the agreement as part of the university's Neighborhood Participation Project.

Cooper said the pact between the neighborhood councils and Public Works is intended as a model for other advisory councils and other city departments.

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