

Millennium Timeline

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change from prior plan

city / legal

2006: Property Purchase Millennium (MP) & Argent Ventures LLC buy Capitol Records building, lots from EMI Group Plc for ~\$50M

4/28/11: EIR-Notice of Preparation

11/9/12: DEIR published

2/8/13: FEIR published

4/27/13: LA Planning approves

6/18/13: Towers shortened to 39, 35 stories
LA City PLUM meeting

7/23/13: MP submits **NEW 311 PAGE** report
the day before LA City Council vote

7/24/13: City Council approves MP (13-0)

8/28/13: "Stop the Millennium" sues MP

12/13: Judge Goodman Rules Against 2012 Hollywood Plan. City officials cited phony population projections and ignored realistic census data (La Mirada v. LA)

2/11/14: 2012 Hollywood Community Plan rescinded, reverts to 1988 Community Plan

City directs MP to conduct a full trench study.
Trench dug on an eastern section of the Millennium site

4/30/15: RULING HALTS PROJECT
LA Cty Sup. Court Judge James C. Chalfant:
EIR failed to fully assess the project's impact on surrounding neighborhoods

7/6/15: LA Dept of Bldg & Safety signs off on geology reports (granting building permits)
Stated faults probably located beneath the property but too old to be considered active

As a precaution, two corners of site are restricted from construction, as MP seismic studies did not extend beyond the property boundary

2018 Proposal
(vs. 2011 "Millennium Hollywood")

- \$1B project
- 35-, 46- + (2) 11-story bldgs (35-, 39- post-June 2013)
- 1,005 res. units (2x more units than 2011)
- 30k sq ft commercial space (3x less)

4/18/18: MP files new plans w/ City

5/2/18: MP files for ELDLP w/ State
26 write letters opposed, 10 in favor

8/17/18: State grants MP ELDLP status

ELDLP allows MP to bypass many CEQA requirements affecting prior plan, including some traffic issues

8/28/18: Notice of Prep
(awaiting draft EIR from City Planning Department)

- Originally 44 and 52 stories; Shortened to 35 & 39 stories on 6/18/13
- 492 res. units + 200 hotel rooms
- 2,000 parking spaces (above ground)
- 4.5 acre site; 90k sq feet offices and retail
- \$664 million estimated to complete

"Millennium Hollywood" (2011-2015)

earthquake

California Geological Survey – CA state agency
MP Millennium Partners' hired consultants

Prior EQ map of record:
2010 CGS (state) map
shows active fault going right through Millennium's site

MP Langan Engineering (LE)

11/22/11
"Preliminary geo-technical engineering study" map by LE shows **Hollywood Fault Rupture Study Area** runs right through MP's twin towers.
Not included in EIR by City

5/10/12
Same 11/22/11 LE map, but now showing MP's site nudged just outside Rupture Study Area
Compare these 2 maps

11/30/12
LE's Fault Report: "Hollywood fault is active and has the potential for rupture;" Active faulting is not present within the limits of our investigation within the Site..."

California Geological Survey
7/20/13 CGS to Herb Wesson: **WAIT** for new study underway, likely to conclude early 2014

California Geological Survey
1/8/14 **New CGS draft map of Hollywood fault (FER 253)**
Delineates the best estimate surface trace, defines a "special study zone" of ~quarter-mile width that most likely contains the fault itself and subsidiary strands

California Geological Survey
11/5/14 **Updated CGS map (FER 253 – Sup.1)**
"active earthquake fault" under the project

MP Group Delta
State's conclusion is "in our opinion, incorrect."

Ultimately up to the LA Dept of Building and Safety whether permits can be issued to allow construction

EARTHQUAKE Judge:
New FER 253 maps "corroborate petitioners position" re: dangers of the active fault running through site. Inadmissible in prior writ of mandamus case because "they did not exist at the time of [City's] approval." (they exist now)

California Geological Survey
Reply: "The definition of what is an active fault is a man-made call. There have been a number of cases where faults that hadn't moved in 20,000 or 30,000 years have now ruptured in historic time."

traffic

CA state agency
CalTrans (CT) concerns:
101 Freeway + ramps

5/18/11 CalTrans (CT) letter 1
Underscores need for freeway traffic study, 2 pgs of specifics

9/15/11 CT Meets with MP's consultant who claims they will follow the specifics (standard statewide traffic procedures) in DEIR
Read CalTrans letters

DEIR claims freeway impacts "Less than significant... no mitigation required"

12/10/12 CT DEIR response
Will actually "cause significant impacts to state hwy system," "may result in unsafe conditions." EIR d/n follow standard state procedures, nor study freeway and ramps.

2/19/13 CT FEIR response
Did not meet standards nor fulfill CEQA. May cause "unsafe conditions." Cumulative development not factored.

5/7/13 CT letter 4
Reiterates d/n meet CEQA; d/n analyze nor disclose "significant impacts" to US-101 and on/off ramps. Notes city has not responded to prior letter.
Read all 4 CT letters

101 TRAFFIC Judge: Top LA elected and appointed officials ignored Caltrans' warnings about the dual towers' effects on traffic heading on and off the often backed-up ramps on the nearby 101 freeway. City is not allowed to conduct studies on freeway traffic using its own definitions and methods.

Millennium's "Hollywood Center" (2018 -)

note: Millennium d/n appeal CGS map; CGS maintains an active fault exists under proposed site.

6/25/18: U.S. National Conference on Earthquake Engineering
New research upends previous ground motion calculation models — can now use local conditions rather than global averages.
In some areas nearly doubles previous estimates for ... ground shaking most threatening to a tall building. Ibbi Almufti calls the significance of the new projections "huge."

Glossary
EIR = Environmental Impact Report (**DEIR** = Draft, **FEIR** = Final)
CEQA = Californian Environmental Quality Act requires study + mitigation of impacts
ELDLP = Environmental Leadership Development Program affects CEQA, speeds processing