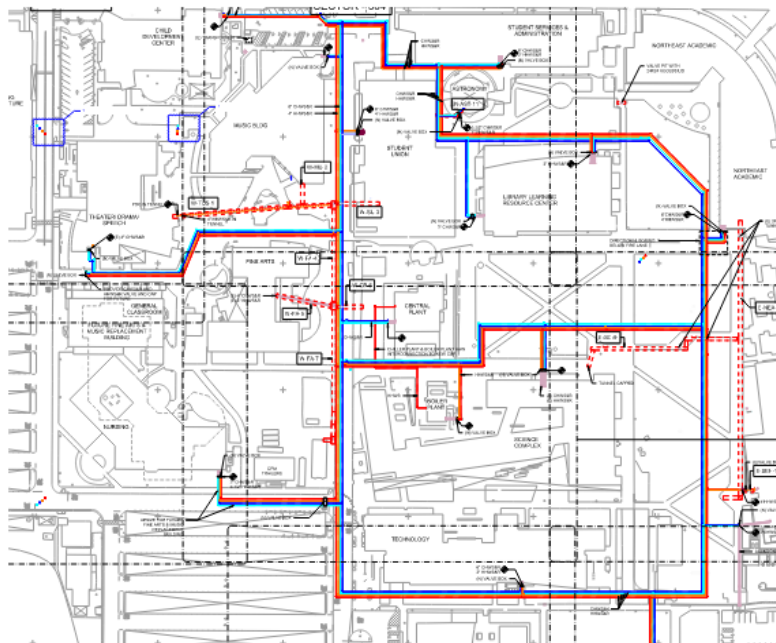


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Sea-side Colleges

Los Angeles Harbor College Hydronic Line Replacement Project Submitted to DSA



The **LAHC Hydronic Line Replacement Project** has reached an important milestone with the submission of design documents to the **California Division of the State Architect (DSA)** for plan review and approval. The primary project package was submitted on **July 27, 2026**, followed by a separate package for the Theater/Drama/Speech building connection on **September 11, 2026**.

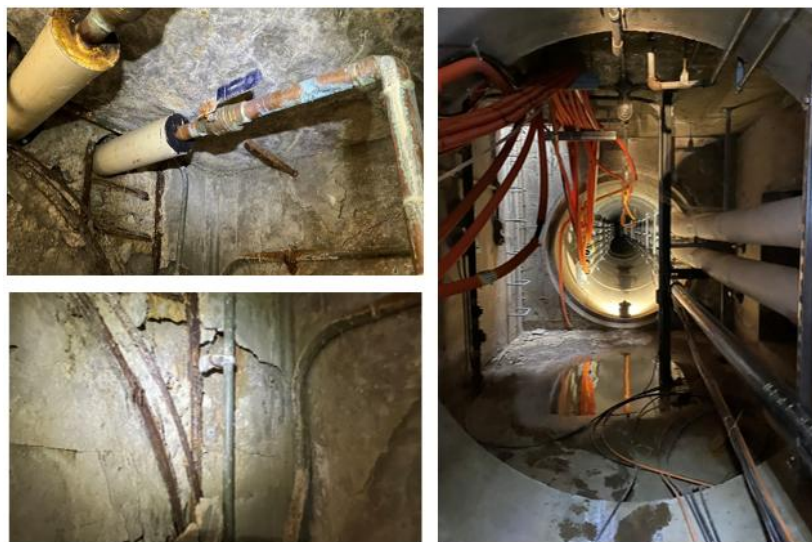
When completed in 2029, the project will provide a new and **modern underground hydronic piping infrastructure to support the heating and cooling system at Los Angeles Harbor College**. The existing approximately **12,000 linear feet of hydronic piping** has reached the end of its useful life, resulting in frequent leaks, costly repairs,

and ongoing operational challenges. In addition of replacing the system, the project includes **revised utility routing, new building connections, temporary heating and cooling systems to maintain campus operations during construction, and associated site restoration work.**

The improvements will **enhance system reliability, reduce maintenance disruptions, improve operational efficiency, and support the long-term performance of critical campus infrastructure.** The project will also provide greater flexibility for future campus improvements while minimizing the risk of operational interruptions.

Submission to DSA represents a critical milestone in the project delivery process, initiating the regulatory review necessary for future construction activities. The project team is currently coordinating DSA review and backcheck comments while reconciling College Project Team, Building User Group, and peer review feedback in preparation for the next submittal.

The project is funded by Measure LA. Reaching this significant milestone was made possible through the dedication and coordination of the entire project team, including **College Project Director Mark Al-Soufi, Design Manager Jennifer Dow, Project Manager Julio Barrios, and Regional Program Director Natalie Mason.**



Existing Conditions

New Power Distribution System at Los Angeles Southwest College Adds Resilience to Sustainability Initiative



Overcoming numerous delays and hurdles, Los Angeles Southwest College (LASC) is advancing the District's goal of a carbon-free campus by installing a **pad-mounted power distribution switchgear system**. This will safely and sustainably regulate energy loads across LASC's facilities to isolate failures and prevent campus wide power outages. This latest addition is a symbol of **perseverance and commitment to decarbonize the college** by turning to renewable energy responsibly.

This multi-phase project began in 2022 with the installation of **1,180 solar panels** on the roof of Parking Structure 8. Subsequent phases include the replaced the inverters, a specialized telemetry device, built an electrical vault, and ran **150 feet of cabling** to a new utility pole on Imperial Highway. When the power distribution switchgear flips on later this year, **LASC's campus will benefit from half a megawatt of clean energy**.

Persistence has been key to propelling the project forward. The College Project Team (CPT) diligently worked with **Southern California Edison (SCE)** to meet stringent regulatory standards to finally gain the necessary permits and approvals. . In addition to

the months of coordination between **SCE and LASC**, the **CPT** also coordinated with **Stella High Charter Academy** and **Dr. George J. McKenna III Middle College High School**, which are housed at LASC's campus. During the interconnection of the new utility pole to the grid, **all power was shut down for eight hours across the campus**, impacting elevators, safety systems, and IT systems.

The investment in this new power distribution switchgear system will help to **safely restore power to the campus in the event of an outage**.

The power system is scheduled to be **fully functioning by the end of the fall semester**. This project uses **Measure J funds**. **Yang Construction Management** is the College Project Leadership team, led by **College Project Director Eloy Retamal**, **Project Design Manager Gang Chen**, **Project Engineer Thomas Obed**, and **Regional Program Director Natalie Mason**.



Valley-side Colleges

Los Angeles Pierce College is setting a Standard for Accessibility on Campus



At Los Angeles Pierce College, **accessibility and safety are front and center** at the new Academic East Building. The College Project Team is working closely with general contractor McCarthy Building Companies to ensure that functionality and accommodations are not only high considerations inside the building, but **top priorities for the exterior as well. Wide ADA-compliant paths of travel**, along with a **dedicated fire lane**.

Completed by subcontractor, Marne Construction, the accessible routes, sidewalks, crosswalks, curb ramps, and truncated domes throughout the project

site all maintain **across slope under 2%** required under ADA.

Additionally, an **unobstructed road reserved solely for emergency vehicles** will now serve as a **dedicated fire lane** at the south entry for fire responders. Over four days, subcontractor **Western Paving** prepared the lane by using a mix of approximately four centimeters of asphalt on top of 9.5 centimeters of crushed concrete and recycled asphalt. After two weeks of curing, the lane was sealed with a coating, and pavement striping can be applied.

As the project nears **substantial completion at the end of October**, cross-disciplinary departments from computer science, information technology, mathematics, and

psychology will occupy the building and offer more than just lectures in their fields. Students will receive hands-on experience with high-performance computer labs and classrooms specializing in the composition and maintenance of multiple racks of servers. Training in cutting-edge learning facilities signals to students that they belong in cutting-edge careers.

This **\$54 million design-build project** is funded by **Measure CC**. **SafeworkCM** is the College Project Leadership team, led by **College Project Director Soufiane Boudiaf**, **Project Design Manager Pavan Bhatia**, **Project Manager Mavis Webster**, **Project Engineer Janet Mullens**, and **Regional Program Director Dora Lorente**.



For more information on all **BuildLACCD active projects**, please see the following:

- [Active Design Projects Status Report \(as of July 31, 2026\)](#)
- [Active Construction Projects Status report \(as of July 31, 2026\)](#)