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SALLIE REEVES inspects damage to her Rancho Palos Verdes home. She and her husband plan to stay there. Homeowners selected for buyouts can expect to get 75% of their property's pre-disaster fair market value.

Buyout plan for homes hit hardest by landslide

BY KAREN GARCIA AND GRACE TOOHEY

The federal government plans to give Rancho Palos Verdes \$42 million to finance buyouts for the homeowners hardest hit by the ongoing landslides in the Portuguese Bend area, with the properties eventually converted into lower-risk open space.

The program, part of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's hazard mitigation assistance grants, provides one of the first long-term solutions for residents in the landslide-ravaged region, which has for decades gone through periods of increased land movement — though the scale and speed of the movement in recent months has been unprecedented.

Officials project that they'll have enough money to buy out 20 property owners in the Portuguese Bend area, the majority of whom face increasing property damage and indefinite utility shutoffs due to land movement. Applying for a buyout is voluntary; no one will be forced to sell their home to the city.

Homeowners can expect to receive offers equal to 75% of their property's pre-disaster fair market value. [See **Buyouts**, A8]

FEMA will give \$42 million for Rancho Palos Verdes to acquire properties. Those sites will then be turned into open spaces.



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Anxiety rises around globe as election nears

Some parts of the world are particularly worried over the prospect of a Trump victory next week.

BY LAURA KING, SABRA AYRES, STEPHANIE YANG AND KATE LINTHICUM

A Ukrainian graduate student, a Taiwanese travel agency manager, an industrial engineer in Mexico: None is a U.S. voter, but all believe that they and their respective countries have a big stake in the outcome of next week's presidential election.

With the knife's-edge electoral contest a week away, anxiety over whether Donald Trump could emerge the winner over Kamala Harris is running high in some parts of the world — places where a reprise of the former president's old policies, or the new ones he has

promised in his campaign, could land particularly hard.

Perhaps nowhere confronts a bleaker election-related dichotomy than Ukraine, soon to enter a third year of trying to fight off a full-scale invasion by Russian President Vladimir Putin's military. Many believe Trump, if victorious, would swiftly end crucial U.S. military aid and force an end to the war on the Russian leader's terms.

"My circle of friends ... we are afraid of Trump winning," said 21-year-old Vladyslav Chyryk, a master's degree student who is too young to be drafted, but is considering joining the Ukrainian army as it struggles to hold its own on the battlefield.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky has tried to keep open a channel of communication with Trump, meeting with him in New York in September. But at raucous rallies and in flurries of interviews, the Republican nominee routinely [See **Anxiety**, A4]

Californians head to swing states to canvass for Harris

BY SEEMA MEHTA AND LAURA J. NELSON

PHOENIX — Laura Banuet, a former cashier at LAX, was incensed by the Supreme Court's decision to end federal protection of abortion access.

Recalling women, including a cousin, who risked back-alley abortions in her native Mexico, Banuet moved from Compton to Arizona this year to try to make a difference in a battleground state where the last presidential campaign was decided by 0.3% of the vote.

"I didn't want to keep on being angry at home," she said. "I decided to do some-

thing about it."

Clutching a smooth rock in her fist so she doesn't bruise her knuckles, Banuet, 62, spends several hours every day, five days a week, knocking on doors in Phoenix and surrounding suburbs.

Some days, the temperature has climbed past 110 degrees as she urges voters to support Democratic presidential nominee Kamala Harris, U.S. Senate candidate Ruben Gallego, and local candidates — as well as a state constitutional amendment to allow abortion up to the point of fetal viability.

Californians such as Banuet hoping to buoy Harris. [See **Canvassing**, A6]

'Car-free' Olympics? That promise so far is running on fumes

\$3.3 billion worth of Metro projects are only 5% funded, and time is short to finish them by 2028.

BY RACHEL URANGA

With Los Angeles' Olympics four years away and no detailed transportation plans yet, officials are concerned about a lack of money and time to create the "car-free" Games that Mayor Karen Bass has promised.

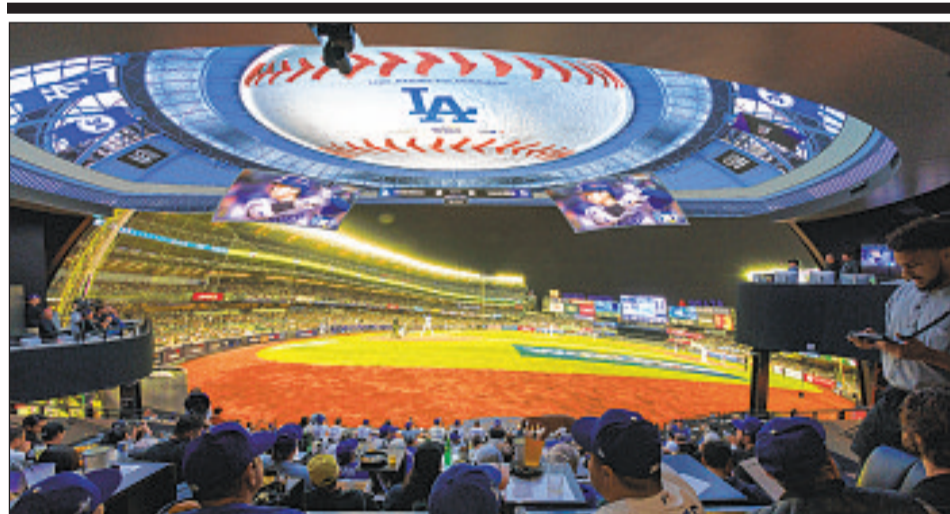
Local officials have a litany of projects they want to complete ahead of 2028, including adding charging infrastructure and improving Metro stations close to venues, but attempts to secure federal funds have been hit-and-miss.

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transporta-

tion Authority's \$3.3-billion list of projects needed to make the Games run smoothly is 5.2% funded. If the money doesn't come through soon, transit planners predict some crucial projects may be scuttled — making it tougher for visitors and commuters to get around town.

The Games are expected to bring an onslaught of tourists — a crowd equivalent to seven Super Bowls every day of the Olympics. And policymakers are starting to get nervous as the clock ticks.

Metro board chair and L.A. County Supervisor Janice Hahn — who attended the 2024 Summer Olympics closing ceremony in Paris and spent days observing the Games' operations, is calling for a fresh Olympic transportation plan that includes staffing levels, total estimated cost and a coordination strategy across the [See **Olympics**, A8]



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FANS at Cosm in Inglewood watch Game 3 of the World Series on a big screen that offers angles not available to TV viewers. Tickets run as high as \$434.50.

Immersive sports bar gives fans feeling of being there without leaving L.A. County

BY SAM FARMER

They cheered, chanted, hugged and high-fived. Hundreds of devoted Dodgers fans watched Monday night's World Series game from ground-level seats just

behind the Yankees' dugout. Well, almost.

Their premier perch wasn't in the Bronx but roughly 3,000 miles away, at Cosm in Inglewood where the immersive experience was remarkably similar to being at the game.

Cosm, situated between SoFi Stadium and the Intuit Dome, features plush stadium seating and a wrap-around screen that's 87 feet in diameter with 12K resolution that gives the just-opened venue the feel of a [See **Venue**, A11]

'PRIDE OF OSHU CITY': Residents of Ohtani's hometown see him as more than just a celebrity or rare baseball talent: He's truly one of their own. **WORLD**, A3

World Series Game 4 results

Read about Tuesday night's Dodgers-Yankees result at latimes.com/sports and in our World Series Extra at latimes.com/ewspaper.

The high price of fighting graft

Running an L.A. County ethics panel could cost \$22 million a year. Is it worth it? **CALIFORNIA**, B1

CSU poised for a new endgame

The university system plans to boost efforts to help students get four-year degree and a good job. **CALIFORNIA**, B1

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