

Airport Metro Connector Project

Executive Management Committee

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Metro

Background

- **2009 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)**
 - \$200 million (2008 \$) in Measure R funds
 - 2028 opening, dependent upon airport contribution
- **Specific Plan Amendment Study (SPAS)**
 - Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) evaluating alternatives for certain airfield, terminal, and ground transportation improvements
 - Draft EIR released in July, adoption scheduled Summer 2013
- **Airport Metro Connector**
 - April 2012: Alternatives Analysis (AA) completed;
Four alternatives recommended for further environmental review
 - July 2012: Federal environmental review process delayed until after LAWA completes SPAS

Schedule Issues

- Revenue Service not achievable by 2018
- Measure J: 2023 opening
- Long Range Transportation Plan: 2028 opening
- All schedules dependent upon:
 - FAA approval to start environmental clearance
 - LAWA contribution

Strategic Implementation Framework

- Implementation dependent upon the following:
 - Achieving consensus with LAWA (Locally Preferred Alternative)
 - Obtaining FAA's approval to initiate the federal environmental clearance process
 - Securing funding commitments by LAWA and other entities
- We are working to advance all three elements

Recommended Advocacy Efforts

- Coordinate with LAWA to identify Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) and funding options such as:
 - Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Grants
 - Surface Transportation Programs (FTA/FHWA)
 - Airport Programs (Passenger Facility Charges or Customer Facility Charges)
- Pursue Participation in the “We Can’t Wait Initiative”
- Work with LAWA, FAA and FTA to:
 - establish Memorandum of Understanding
 - define roles and responsibilities

Comments to Draft EIR for SPAS

- Suggested complementary traffic analyses
- Support connection to Crenshaw/LAX and Metro Green Lines
- Consider impacts to Metro facilities and property
- Coordinate local bus service
- Jointly develop the airport connection
- List requirements of Congestion Management Program