

# East San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor

Planning and Programming Committee – January 16, 2013



Metro



# Overview

- Long Range Transportation Plan
  - Commits \$170.1 M (2008\$)
  - Opening Year: 2018
- Working with cities of Los Angeles (co-lead) and San Fernando

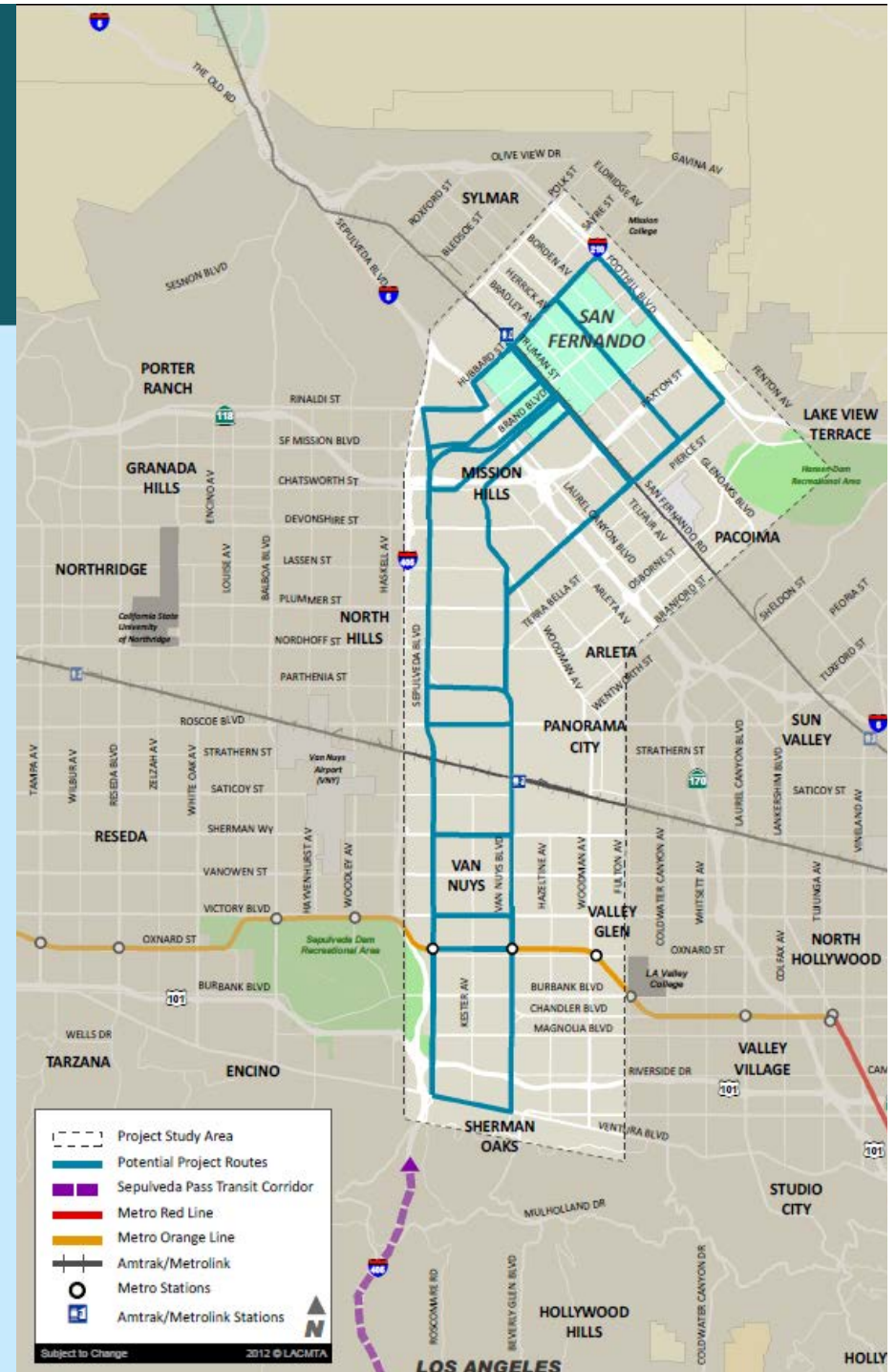


# Alternatives Analysis (AA)

- **PURPOSE & NEED**
  - Improve north-south mobility in the eastern San Fernando Valley
  - Provide improved and more reliable operations and connections between key transit hubs/routes
  - Enhance transit accessibility/connectivity for residents within the study area to local and regional destinations
  - Provide additional transit options in a largely transit dependent area
  - Encourage mode shift to transit

# AA (continued)

- Screened Over 30 Alternatives
  - Van Nuys Blvd
  - Sepulveda Blvd
  - Multiple east/west streets
  - Additional northern options
- AA Report
  - Narrowed to six build alternatives
  - Recommended two alternatives for further study



# LRT Alternative

- Van Nuys Blvd
  - Ventura Blvd to San Fernando Rd
  - San Fernando Rd – Sylmar/San Fernando Metrolink Station
- End to end:
  - 11.2 miles
  - +/- 36 min travel time
  - 13 potential stations
  - +/- 37,500 weekday boardings
- Cost: \$1.8 - 2.3 billion (2018\$)
- **L RTP commits \$170.1 million**



# BRT Alternative

- Van Nuys Blvd
  - MOL to San Fernando Rd (Dedicated lane)
  - San Fernando Rd – Sylmar/San Fernando Metrolink Station (Mixed-flow lane)
  - Option 1 - terminates at MOL in mixed-flow traffic south
  - Option 2 - terminates at Sepulveda MOL Station
  - Option 3 - dedicated lane via Sepulveda Blvd. to Ventura Boulevard.
- End to end:
  - 12 miles
  - +/- 36 min travel time
  - 13 Potential Stations
  - +/- 33,600 weekday boardings
- Cost: \$250 - \$520 million (2018\$)
- **L RTP commits \$170.1 million**



# Community Outreach - Summary

- **Public Outreach**
  - 10 Metro-hosted Community Meetings
    - Held 2011 thru 2012
    - Approximately 460 attendees
    - Received 1,537 comments
  - 38 Stakeholder Meetings
  - 2 San Fernando Valley Service Council Meetings
  - Social Media and other promotions
- **General preferences**
  - LRT preferred; support for BRT
  - Van Nuys Alignment
  - Connections to:
    - Sylmar/San Fernando Metrolink Station
    - Future Sepulveda Pass Project
  - Accommodate bicyclists
  - Median running configuration



# Options Eliminated

- **Sepulveda Blvd Alignment**
  - Fewer boardings
  - Less community support
- **Side and Curb-running**
  - Operational inefficiencies
  - Numerous driveways and turn-lanes
  - Creates confusion
- **Street Car**
  - No operational benefits
  - Little community support





# Next Steps

- **Initiate Environmental Process**
  - **Spring 2013: Public Scoping Meetings**