

## Chapter 9 OVERVIEW OF RESPONSES TO COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT EIS/EIR AND THE SUPPLEMENTAL EA/RECIRCULATED DRAFT EIR SECTIONS

This chapter provides an overview of the comments received, a summary of major comment themes that emerged, thematic responses that address broad issue areas where there was extensive public comment, and project refinements that occurred as a result of comments received on the Regional Connector Transit Corridor Project Draft EIS/EIR and the Supplemental Environmental Assessment/Recirculated Sections of the Draft EIR (Supplemental EA/Recirculated Draft EIR Sections). In addition to the comment summary and thematic responses in this chapter, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) responded to each and every comment received. Volumes F-2 and F-3, Responses to Comments on the Draft EIS/EIR, and Volume F-4, Responses to Comments on the Supplemental EA/Recirculated Draft EIR Sections, contain copies of all written comments and public hearing transcripts, as well as Metro’s written responses to all comments received.

This chapter has been prepared in compliance with Section 1503.4 of the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for Implementing NEPA which states that:

“(a) An agency preparing a final environmental impact statement shall assess and consider comments both individually and collectively, and shall respond by one or more of the means listed below, stating its response in the final statement. Possible responses are to:

1. Modify alternatives including the proposed action.
2. Develop and evaluate alternatives not previously given serious consideration by the agency.
3. Supplement, improve, or modify its analyses.
4. Make factual corrections.
5. Explain why the comments do not warrant further agency response, citing the sources, authorities, or reasons which support the agency's position and, if appropriate, indicate those circumstances which would trigger agency reappraisal or further response.

(b) All substantive comments received on the draft statement (or summaries thereof where the response has been exceptionally voluminous), should be attached to the final statement whether or not the comment is thought to merit individual discussion by the agency in the text of the statement.”

In addition, Section 15132 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines states that the Final EIR shall consist of: “(a) The draft EIR or a revision of the draft; (b) Comments and recommendations received on the draft EIR either verbatim or in summary; (c) A list of persons, organizations and public agencies commenting on the draft EIR; (d) The responses of the Lead Agency to significant environmental points raised in the review and consultation process; and (e) Any other information added by the lead agency.”

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## 9.1 Overview of Comments

The Regional Connector Transit Corridor Project Draft EIS/EIR was made available to identified stakeholders, agencies, and the general public for review and comment for a 45-day review period from September 3, 2010 through October 18, 2010. Metro held two public hearings during the comment period on September 28, 2010 and October 4, 2010 to provide information about the Draft EIS/EIR, facilitate the submission of comments, and receive oral comments. Transcripts of all public testimony from the two public hearings were entered into the record.

A total of 195 comment letters were received during the public review period, including written materials submitted at the two public hearings. Comments were also submitted in the form of oral testimony at those hearings. A total of 44 public testimonies were recorded at the public hearings. Overall, a total of 1,030 individual comments were received on the Regional Connector Transit Corridor Project Draft EIS/EIR.

Refinements, including the approach in and out of the underground station at 1<sup>st</sup> Street and Central Avenue on the eastern end of the alignment, were made to the Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) in response to comments received on the Draft EIS/EIR, in an effort to minimize environmental impacts, and to improve project design. Pursuant to NEPA (23 CFR 771.130 (c)), Section 21029.1 of the Public Resources Code, and CEQA Guidelines Section 15088.5, a Supplemental EA/Recirculated Draft EIR Sections was prepared and recirculated for public comment. The public review and comment period for the Supplemental EA/Recirculated Draft EIR Sections began on July 22, 2011 and lasted for 45 days, ending on September 6, 2011. A total of 31 comment letters were received during the public review period. A total of 263 individual comments were received on the Supplemental EA/Recirculated Draft EIR Sections.

Volumes F-2 through F-4 can be reviewed in print at Metro's Library located at One Gateway Plaza, 15<sup>th</sup> Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90012 or electronically on Metro's website. Printed copies have also been provided to public libraries and other public facilities in the project area. Metro will also provide this Final EIS/EIR, including Volumes F-2 through F-4, in CD format by request.

## 9.2 Overview of Comment Themes, Responses, Project Refinements and Mitigation Measures

The most commonly received comments were related to: construction impacts along the alignment; incorporation of mitigation measures and assurance that mitigation measures will be implemented; continued coordination with agencies; continued public and community outreach; support for the deleted Flower/5<sup>th</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Street station; the location of the tunnel boring machine (TBM) insertion site; impacts to the Higgins Building and the Wilcox & Olender Buildings; and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Street alignment of the LPA. The general comment theme followed by comment response, project refinements as applicable, and notable mitigation measures are included in this section.

## 9.2.1 Construction Impacts

### 9.2.1.1 Comment Theme

Comments regarding construction impacts were received from the City of Los Angeles, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), businesses, and individuals. Commenters were concerned about business disruption during construction; pedestrians, motorists, bicycle riders and truck traffic access; loss of parking; and the location of the TBM insertion site. The Little Tokyo community commented extensively about the potential for adverse impacts to this historic Japanese American community as a result of construction.

### 9.2.1.2 Comment Response, Project Refinements, and Mitigation Measures Summary

Refinements have been made to the LPA since publication of the Draft EIS/EIR specifically to address concerns regarding potential impacts of construction. These refinements would reduce the extent of cut and cover activities and associated street lane and sidewalk closures. Cut and cover would not occur on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in Little Tokyo, and the tunnel under Flower Street between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Streets would be excavated using a TBM instead of cut and cover. The TBM would be inserted at the property northeast of 1<sup>st</sup> and Alameda Streets, the Mangrove property (formerly known as the Nikkei Center), and transported underground to Central Avenue, where it would begin excavating westward. Thus, the main site of construction has been moved away from the heart of Little Tokyo reducing impacts from construction including routing truck traffic away from the community core.

Under the refined LPA, access to businesses would be maintained during operating hours and access to residences would be maintained at all times.

Committed mitigation measures in the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) for the LPA (Chapter 8) to address construction impacts include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Accessible detours shall be provided whenever possible.
- A community outreach plan shall be developed and implemented to notify local communities and the general public of construction schedules and road and sidewalk detours.
- Metro shall provide two acres of land on the Mangrove property (northeast of 1<sup>st</sup> and Alameda Streets) for the purposes of providing alternative parking services during construction, which could include satellite parking served by shuttle buses, valet parking from vehicle pick-up/drop-off in the central business areas of Little Tokyo, and standard self-parking. The number of spaces provided would range from 200 standard spaces to approximately 300 spaces when supplemental parking services are operating.
- A construction office shall also be placed within the community to provide in-person assistance and services.

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- Metro shall provide services to support affected Little Tokyo businesses and organizations during construction such as targeted advertising and marketing campaigns, Metro-sponsored coupons, incentives for construction worker patronage, and Metro-sponsored community events.
- Other mitigation measures related to construction are included in the MMRP to address noise, vibration, air quality, and geotechnical considerations.

## 9.2.2 Mitigation Measures

### 9.2.2.1 Comment Theme

While many mitigation measures were identified through the Draft EIS/EIR, the recommendations from the Little Tokyo Working Group (LTWG) were segregated as a package of candidate measures to be considered by Metro and FTA. The Little Tokyo Community Council (LTCC) requested clarification of the process for approving mitigation measure recommendations.

### 9.2.2.2 Comment Response, Project Refinements, and Mitigation Measures Summary

The mitigation measure recommendations were segregated in the Draft EIS/EIR because they are a distinct part of the environmental justice outreach process. Like all other appropriate mitigation measures in the Draft EIS/EIR, feasible measures from LTWG recommendations have been incorporated into the MMRP for the LPA (Chapter 8). The MMRP for the LPA, Chapter 8, contains final mitigation measures for the LPA; the MMRP will be approved by the Metro Board of Directors upon certification of this Final EIS/EIR. These mitigation measures will also be included in a Record of Decision (ROD) subsequently issued by FTA. Metro will formally commit to implement all mitigation measures in the MMRP for the LPA upon certification of the Final EIS/EIR and the ROD.

## 9.2.3 Continued Agency Coordination

### 9.2.3.1 Comment Theme

Comments received by numerous agencies expressed desire for ongoing communication and coordination between Metro and the agency, interest in the MMRP, notice of further meetings, and applicable regulatory oversight for the phases of the project for which the agency has responsibility.

### 9.2.3.2 Comment Response, Project Refinements, and Mitigation Measures Summary

Metro and contracted consultants will continue coordinating with agencies during project design and construction of the LPA. Metro has reviewed suggested mitigation measures provided by agencies and incorporated guidance where applicable into the MMRP for the LPA, Chapter 8.

### 9.2.4 Continued Public and Community Outreach

#### 9.2.4.1 Comment Theme

Comments regarding community outreach were complimentary and supportive of Metro's community outreach efforts which culminated in the development of the Fully Underground LRT Alternative and subsequent refinements (the LPA). The need for ongoing community outreach and coordination throughout future phases of the project and construction in particular was noted.

#### 9.2.4.2 Comment Response, Project Refinements, and Mitigation Measures Summary

Metro will continue to involve the community throughout the project process. Committed mitigation measures in the MMRP for the LPA (Chapter 8) to address community input and concerns include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Metro shall establish and receive input from the Regional Connector Community Leadership Council (RCCLC) in developing the construction mitigation plan. The RCCLC shall consist of representatives from all parts of the alignment area. Metro shall work with the RCCLC in developing the outreach plan.
- Information shall be made available in Japanese and Korean, and flyers for project meetings shall indicate that there will be both Japanese and Korean translators present.
- Haul routes shall be confirmed with the input of the community.
- Issues identified during mitigation monitoring shall be discussed with the RCCLC monthly.

### 9.2.5 Flower/5<sup>th</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Street Station

#### 9.2.5.1 Comment Theme

Comments were generally in support of keeping the Flower/5<sup>th</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Street station in the LPA. Commenters were concerned about the impact to regional mobility, congestion at 7<sup>th</sup> Street/Metro Center Station, and access to the Financial District.

#### 9.2.5.2 Comment Response, Project Refinements, and Mitigation Measures Summary

The Metro Board of Directors voted on October 28, 2010 to designate the Fully Underground LRT Alternative without the Flower/5<sup>th</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Street station as the LPA. The deletion of the station was done in an effort to reduce the cost of the project while still meeting the project's purpose and need. Metro understands the importance of serving the Financial District and believes that the LPA still meets the purpose and need of the project despite the station deletion. Deletion of the Flower/5<sup>th</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Street station would result in minimal ridership losses because most riders would use the 2<sup>nd</sup>/Hope Street station or 7<sup>th</sup> Street/Metro Center Station, both of which would service the Financial District. After the October 28, 2010 meeting, the Metro Board of Directors directed staff to meet with the Financial District stakeholders to discuss options for privately funding the Flower/5<sup>th</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Street station, but no funding sources were identified. However, the

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design of the LPA would not preclude a station at 5<sup>th</sup> and Flower Streets from being built as a possible future, separate project.

In an effort to improve access to the Financial District, project refinements include the construction of an enhanced pedestrian walkway connecting the 4<sup>th</sup>/Flower Streets area to the existing 7<sup>th</sup> Street/Metro Center Station on Flower Street.

## 9.2.6 Tunnel Boring Method and Insertion Site

### 9.2.6.1 Comment Theme

Comments regarding TBM construction methods included whether one TBM would be used to bore both tunnels, or two TBMs would be used simultaneously. Commenters also noted interest in the TBM insertion site and direction. The Draft EIS/EIR analyzed inserting from the 2<sup>nd</sup>/Hope Street station site and boring east, or inserting on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street between Central Avenue and Alameda Street and boring west. The Little Tokyo community preferred TBM insertion from the 2<sup>nd</sup>/Hope Street station site to minimize construction impacts in Little Tokyo.

### 9.2.6.2 Comment Response, Project Refinements, and Mitigation Measures Summary

All feasible TBM options were discussed in the Draft EIS/EIR. The Draft EIS/EIR analyzed the most disruptive TBM scenario for each environmental resource area. Based on further study, it was determined that one larger TBM would not be used during construction. The tunnels could be constructed using one TBM inserted and then transported back to the original insertion site and re-inserted; or two TBMs could be used, with the second machine inserted slightly later than the first TBM and both pulled from the reception site, with no need for re-inserting.

The small size of the 2<sup>nd</sup>/Hope Street station site would require a substantial portion of construction staging activities to occur in the surrounding streets, necessitating longer downtown street lane closures and increased cut and cover activities. This would have the effect of reducing mobility downtown and could deter visitors from frequenting many downtown communities, including Little Tokyo. In addition, the 1<sup>st</sup>/Central Avenue station site in Little Tokyo would need to be used as the TBM receiving site if the TBMs are inserted at the 2<sup>nd</sup>/Hope Street station site.

Based on comments received on the Draft EIS/EIR and input received from community meetings held during preparation of this Final EIS/EIR, the TBM insertion site options on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street between Central Avenue and Alameda Street, and the 2<sup>nd</sup>/Hope Street station are no longer being considered. One of the project refinements under the LPA includes using the vacant property at the northeast corner of 1<sup>st</sup> and Alameda Streets, the Mangrove property, as the insertion site. The TBM would be inserted approximately 700 feet from the originally proposed 2<sup>nd</sup>/Central Avenue insertion area, which would reduce the intensity of construction on the block bounded by 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Central Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, and Alameda Street and result in fewer acquisitions. Tunnel boring activities from this site would proceed farther down Flower Street to 4<sup>th</sup> Street, instead of ending at the proposed 2<sup>nd</sup>/Hope Street station. Spoils (excavated soils) would be removed within the Mangrove property, and trucks would be routed to the east and/or north to reach the freeway, and would not pass through Little Tokyo.

## 9.2.7 Impacts to the Higgins, Wilcox, and Olender Buildings

### 9.2.7.1 Comment Theme

Commenters noted concern with respect to the Higgins Building regarding potential impacts of vibration or settlement during construction and operation of the project, and disturbance to the building and its occupants during construction and operation. Comments on the Wilcox and Olender Buildings were regarding the acquisition and removal of the buildings.

### 9.2.7.2 Comment Response, Project Refinements, and Mitigation Measures Summary

A comprehensive pre-construction survey of the Higgins Building would be performed prior to construction to document the building's condition and verify construction plans. This would be done after the Final EIS/EIR process has been completed; therefore, inclusion of this level of detail in the environmental document is not possible. Findings of the pre-construction survey would be shared with the homeowners association. Metro would request permission to place vibration monitors in the building to ensure that vibration from the TBMs does not exceed acceptable thresholds and cause damage to the building. Metro would verify any damage to the building that occurs as a result of Regional Connector construction and restore the building to its pre-construction survey condition. Metro would compensate homeowners should temporary displacement be necessary as part of such repairs.

Appropriate mitigation measures identified in Section 4.7, Noise and Vibration, of the Draft EIS/EIR and this Final EIS/EIR and committed to in the MMRP for the LPA (Chapter 8) will preserve the pre-construction condition of the Higgins Building. With implementation of mitigation, construction-related vibration impacts to historic and sensitive buildings will be reduced to less than significant. Metro has performed an additional vibration study (Appendix 2, Updated Locally Preferred Alternative Noise and Vibration Analysis), and concluded that no impacts to the Higgins Building will occur after mitigation.

The Metro Board of Directors voted on October 28, 2010 to remove the Wilcox and Olender Buildings (APNs 5149-007-006 and 5149-007-005) from consideration as acquisitions for the Regional Connector project. Only a subsurface easement beneath APN 5149-007-006 would be required for construction of the LPA.

## 9.2.8 Alignment

### 9.2.8.1 Comment Theme

Commenters noted concerns with the proposed 2<sup>nd</sup> Street alignment of the LPA and requested that other alignments be analyzed and pursued. Some members of the Little Tokyo community requested a 3<sup>rd</sup> Street alignment, which would move construction impacts away from the key community business centers along 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Streets. The Community Connector Coalition requested repositioning the 2<sup>nd</sup>/Hope Street station to have an entrance at the top of Bunker Hill, relocating the 2<sup>nd</sup>/Broadway station to the proposed Federal Courthouse site, relocating the 1<sup>st</sup>/Central Avenue station to the Mangrove property, and moving the portion of the alignment east of Hill Street from 2<sup>nd</sup> Street to 1<sup>st</sup> Street.

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## 9.2.8.2 Comment Response, Project Refinements, and Mitigation Measures Summary

Comments were received relating to potential new impacts associated with the refinements. Potential new impacts related to noise, vibration, right of way, and historic resources were analyzed and relevant new information was disclosed in the Supplemental EA/Recirculated Draft EIR Sections. An additional, potential adverse ground-borne noise (GBN) impact was identified associated with construction and operation of the LPA. With implementation of mitigation, the impacts will be reduced to less than significant. No other potential adverse impacts would occur with the refined LPA although some impacts are reduced by the refinements.

## 9.3 List of Commenters

The comment letters/hearing transcripts and responses on the Draft EIS/EIR and the Supplemental EA/Recirculated Draft EIR Sections, contained in Volumes F-2 through F-4 of this Final EIS/EIR, are organized and grouped into the following categories based on the affiliation of the commenter as indicated in Table 9-1. Comment letters identified with comment letter/speaker identification prefix preceded by "R-" were received on the Supplemental EA/Recirculated Draft EIR Sections.

**Table 9-1. Comment Letter and Hearing Transcripts Identification**

Letter/Speaker ID Prefix <sup>1</sup>	Description
AF	Federal Agency
AL	Local Agency
AR	Regional Agency
AS	State Agency
BU	Businesses and Business Groups
CN	Community Groups and Non-Profit Organizations
PC	Public Comment
PHA	The first public hearing held on September 28, 2010
PHB	The second public hearing held on October 4, 2010

Note:

<sup>1</sup> Letter/Speaker ID prefixes preceded by "R-" indicate that comment letter was received on the Supplemental EA/Recirculated Draft EIR Sections.



## 9.3.1 Comments Received on the Draft EIS/EIR

To assist the reader's review and use of the responses to comments received on the Draft EIS/EIR, two indices that provide the commenter name, affiliation, and comment letter/speaker identification designator (e.g., PC1) for each comment letter are provided below. Table 9-2 lists all the comment letters by comment letter/speaker identification designator and Table 9-3 lists all of the comment letters alphabetically by commenter's last name.

**Table 9-2. Draft EIS/EIR Index by Comment Letter/Speaker Identification Designator**

Comment Letter/ Speaker	Affiliation	Last Name	First Name	Date
<b>Federal Agencies</b>				
AF1	U.S. Department of Homeland Security - FEMA	Blackburn	Gregor	9/29/2010
AF2	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region IX	Dunning	Connell	10/8/2010
<b>Local Agencies</b>				
AL1	County of Los Angeles - Fire Department	Todd	John R.	10/5/2010
AL2	City of Los Angeles City Council	Perry	Jan	10/5/2010
AL3	City of Los Angeles, DCP, BOE, BSL, DOT, CRA/LA	Moore et. al.	Gary Lee	10/18/2010
AL4	County of Los Angeles - Department of Public Works	Duong	Toan	10/18/2010
AL5	County of Los Angeles - Department of Public Works	Farber	Gail	10/20/2010
AL6	City of Los Angeles - Department of Public Works, Bureau of Sanitation	Poosti	Ali	10/14/2010
AL7	City of Los Angeles, BSL	Batikian	Silva	10/15/2010
AL8	Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority	Hanks	Keith	10/18/2010
<b>Regional Agencies</b>				
AR1	South Coast Air Quality Management District	MacMillan	Ian	10/15/2010
AR2	Southern California Association of Governments	Liu	Huasha	10/20/2010

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<b>State Agencies</b>				
AS1	State of California - Department of Transportation, District 7	Watson	Dianna	10/6/2010
AS2	State of California - Department of Transportation, District 7	Kosinski	Ronald	10/18/2010
AS3	State of California - Public Utilities Commission	Pereyra	Jose	10/20/2010
<b>Businesses and Business Groups</b>				
BU1	Metropolitan News Enterprise	Grace	Roger M.	9/13/2010
BU2	Japanese Chamber of Commerce of Southern California	Handa	Toshio "Terry"	10/1/2010
BU3	Bunkado, Inc.	Simonian	Irene Tsukada	10/4/2010
BU4	Yamato Travel Bureau	Mikuni	Peggy T.	10/14/2010
BU5	Koraku Group, Inc.	Yamauchi	Hiroshi	10/12/2010
BU6	Cherry Land Company	Liu	Wilson	9/28/2010
BU7	Ho-Narumi-Taira Investment Company	Liu	Wilson	9/28/2010
BU8	Sho Tokyo Parking LLC	Liu	Wilson	9/28/2010
BU9	Taira Investment Company	Liu	Wilson	9/28/2010
BU10	Taira Services Corporation	Liu	Wilson	9/28/2010
BU11	Rafu Bussan, Inc.	Kawaratani	Kiyoshi	9/29/2010
BU12	Little Tokyo Arts & Gifts	Taiyoshi	Elaine	10/10/2010
BU13	Joy Mart Restaurant	Masuda	Sotaro	9/30/2010
BU14	Los Angeles Eye Care Optometry Group	Kame	Gregory	10/3/2010
BU15	Teishokuya of Tokyo	Masuda	Etsuko	9/30/2010
BU16	Favorite Snack	Park	Jong Hyung	9/29/2010

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Comment Letter/ Speaker	Affiliation	Last Name	First Name	Date
BU17	Ken Nakamura, D.D.S.	Nakamura	Ken	9/28/2010
BU18	Little Tokyo Business Association and Little Tokyo Business Improvement District			9/28/2010
BU19	Little Tokyo Business Association and Little Tokyo Business Improvement District			10/4/2010
BU20	Little Tokyo Business Association and Little Tokyo Business Improvement District	Liu	Wilson	10/15/2010
BU21	Advanced Parking Systems	Garibay	Darryl	10/4/2010
BU22	The Spice Table	Ng	Bryant and Kim Luu	10/17/2010
BU23	Suehiro Café, Inc.	Suzuki	Kenji	10/14/2010
BU24	Metropolitan News Enterprise	Grace	Roger M. and Jo-Ann W.	9/13/2010
BU25	LARABA, LaDADspace	Keating	Tim	10/9/2010
BU26	Fugetsu-do Confectionery	Kito	Brian	10/18/2010
BU27	Japanese Village Plaza	Smith	Jim	10/15/2010
BU28	Related/Companies, L.P./Grand Avenue L.A., LLC/The Broad Collection	Witte; Broad	William A.; Eli	10/15/2010
BU29	Central City Association of Los Angeles	Schatz	Carol E.	10/18/2010
BU30	Thomas Properties Group Inc.	Berryhill	Glen	10/20/2010
BU31	J-WAVE Video	Ishida	Hiroshi Brian	10/18/2010
BU32	Allen Matkins Leck Gamble Mallory & Natsis LLP on behalf of the Tribune Company	Perry	Patrick A.	10/18/2010
BU33	Mikaway	Hashimoto	Frances	10/17/2010
BU34	Levy Affiliated Holdings, LLC	Balkin	Arlene Akemi	10/18/2010
BU35	Hair Craft Salon	Okamoto	Yuji	10/18/2010

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BU36	Thomas Properties Group Inc.	Ricci	Thomas S.	10/15/2010
BU37	Rothenberg Sandy Architects	Takayama	George	9/28/2010
BU38	Shabu-Shabu House Restaurant	Maruyama	Yoshinobu	10/18/2010
BU39	Nishi Center	Mukai	Susan	10/4/2010
BU40	Teishokuya of Tokyo	Masuda	Etsuko	10/7/2010
BU41	Joy Mart Restaurant	Masuda	Sotaro	10/7/2010
<b>Community Groups and Non-Profit Organizations</b>				
CN1	Little Tokyo Community Council	Watanabe	Bill	10/1/2010
CN2	Japanese American Citizens League - Pacific Southwest District	Ishii	Craig	10/6/2010
CN3	Japanese American Citizens League - Pacific Southwest District	Mayeda	Kelly	10/10/2010
CN4	Japanese American Citizens League - Pacific Southwest District	Fukushima	Kristin	10/18/2010
CN5	Japanese American Citizens League - Pacific Southwest District	Potter	Meghan	10/10/2010
CN6	Japanese American Cultural and Community Center	Aihara	Chris	10/6/2010
CN7	Little Tokyo Service Center	Clark	Yasue	10/15/2010
CN8	Little Tokyo Service Center	Watanabe	Bill	10/13/2010
CN9	Asian Pacific Islander Small Business Program	Fong	Ronald M.	10/15/2010
CN10	Savoy Homeowners Association			10/13/2010
CN11	Japanese American National Museum	Yano	Akemi Kikumura	10/15/2010
CN12	Go For Broke National Education Center	Ozawa	Michael	10/15/2010
CN13	East West Players	Dang	Tim	10/18/2010

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CN14	Los Angeles Conservancy	Chou	Flora	10/18/2010
CN15	The Transit Coalition	Reed	Bart	10/18/2010
CN16	Fixing Angelenos Stuck in Traffic	Norton	Hilary	10/18/2010
CN17	Bus Riders Union	Martinez	Esperanza V.	10/18/2010
CN18	Sierra Club	Clarke	Darrell	10/18/2010
CN19	Higgins Building HOA	Agnew	Jonno	10/18/2010
CN20	Little Tokyo Community Council	Watanabe	Bill	10/1/2010
CN21	Zenshuji Temple	Rumme	Daigaku	9/28/2010
CN22	Los Angeles Streetcar, Inc.	Allen	Dennis	10/15/2010
<b>Public Comments</b>				
PC1		Fujita	James	9/3/2010
PC2		Wright	Jerard	9/3/2010
PC3		Covarrubias	Joel	9/3/2010
PC4		Popov	Yuri O.	9/3/2010
PC5		Tower	Carlos	9/4/2010
PC6		Mason	Matt	9/6/2010
PC7		Kassimir	Spencer V.	9/6/2010
PC8		Tooley	Eric	9/10/2010
PC9		Helfand	Morley	9/10/2010
PC10		Furlong	Aaron	9/14/2010
PC11		Bilski	Jonathan	9/14/2010
PC12		Herrasti	Jose	9/14/2010
PC13		Tong	Kam	9/14/2010

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PC14		Gonzalez	Rachel	9/14/2010
PC15		Roderick	Trina	9/14/2010
PC16		Magdaleno	George	9/15/2010
PC17		Mandel	John	9/16/2010
PC18		Alossi	Rich	9/16/2010
PC19		Egdal	David	9/18/2010
PC20		Kassimir	Spencer V.	9/26/2010
PC21		Yen	Brigham	9/27/2010
PC22		Donato	Carol	9/28/2010
PC23		Hymel	Chad	9/28/2010
PC24		Federis	Frank	9/28/2010
PC25		Ho	Jean	9/28/2010
PC26		Covarrubias	Joel	9/28/2010
PC27		Aldava	Lawrence	9/28/2010
PC28		Howard	Les	9/28/2010
PC29		Hogge	Richard	9/28/2010
PC30		Kawaratani	Yukio	9/28/2010
PC31		Baisez	Christine	9/29/2010
PC32		Montijo	Jorge	9/29/2010
PC33		Lee	Nelson	9/29/2010
PC34		Axelrod	Steve	9/29/2010
PC35		Avitabile	Travis	9/29/2010
PC36		Zhao	Yuqiao	9/29/2010

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Comment Letter/ Speaker	Affiliation	Last Name	First Name	Date
PC37	NARP-TRAC-PRS	Johnston	Mark R.	10//2010
PC38		Salumbides	Romeo	10/1/2010
PC39		Lim	Teressa	10/1/2010
PC40		Yoon	Young S.	10/1/2010
PC41		Grewal	AnnMarie	10/4/2010
PC42		Garcia	Dan	10/4/2010
PC43		Gove	John	10/4/2010
PC44		Aima	Matthew	10/4/2010
PC45		Mendiores	Rupert	10/4/2010
PC46		Walker	Daniel	10/5/2010
PC47		Chen	Jay	10/5/2010
PC48		Percus	Allon	10/6/2010
PC49		Myers	Joseph	10/6/2010
PC50		Sitty	Rani	10/6/2010
PC51		Gross	Spencer	10/6/2010
PC52		Adelman	Charles	10/8/2010
PC53		Yick	Andrew	10/9/2010
PC54		Moore	David G.	10/9/2010
PC55		Axelrod	Rise B.	10/9/2010
PC56		Axelrod	Steven	10/9/2010
PC57		Hom	Japhet	10/10/2010
PC58		Centeno	Adriana	10/12/2010
PC59		Santana	Elana	10/12/2010

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Comment Letter/ Speaker	Affiliation	Last Name	First Name	Date
PC60		Berk	Fred	10/12/2010
PC61		Barnes	Jason	10/12/2010
PC62		Kahn	Aaron	10/13/2010
PC63		Lo	Derrick	10/13/2010
PC64		Cheung	Domino	10/13/2010
PC65		Lu	Grace	10/13/2010
PC66		Oh	Jannie	10/13/2010
PC67		Ortiz	Lupe	10/13/2010
PC68		Marks	Wally	10/13/2010
PC69		Takashima	Wilbur	10/13/2010
PC70		Havens	Alan D.	10/14/2010
PC71		Sein	Christina	10/14/2010
PC72		Frevele	Dave	10/14/2010
PC73		Orona	Phil	10/14/2010
PC74		Schumacher	Richard	10/14/2010
PC75		Lin	Susan	10/14/2010
PC76		Kawaratani	Yukio	10/14/2010
PC77		Davidson	Christopher	10/15/2010
PC78		Yasuda	Hiroko	10/15/2010
PC79		Hur	Jenny	10/15/2010
PC80		Mochizuki	John	10/15/2010
PC81		Hirase	Kikue	10/15/2010
PC82		Kim	Kun Ja	10/15/2010



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Comment Letter/ Speaker	Affiliation	Last Name	First Name	Date
PC83		Shinchi	Masumi	10/15/2010
PC84	Metcalf Associates	Metcalf	Michael	10/15/2010
PC85		Koh	Mija	10/15/2010
PC86		Iki	Nobuko	10/15/2010
PC87		Mochizuki	Noriko	10/15/2010
PC88		Volk	Robert D.	10/15/2010
PC89		Nishimura	Sakiko	10/15/2010
PC90		Chang	San Ok	10/15/2010
PC91		Koh	Sang Soo	10/15/2010
PC92		Yoon	Simon S.	10/15/2010
PC93		Kim	Suk Hee	10/15/2010
PC94		Sakamoto	Tadao	10/15/2010
PC95		Wakayama	Tsutae	10/15/2010
PC96		Obana	Yaeko	10/15/2010
PC97		Sakamoto	Yoshiko	10/15/2010
PC98		Altamirano	Jaime	10/16/2010
PC99	Higgins Lofts	Agnew	Jonno	9/14/2010
PC100		Chaiken	Stacie	10/17/2010
PC101		Garza	Bobby	10/18/2010
PC102		Westwater	Brady	10/18/2010
PC103		Fung	Hank	10/18/2010
PC104		Springhetti	Joan	10/18/2010
PC105		Montijo	Jorge	10/18/2010

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Comment Letter/ Speaker	Affiliation	Last Name	First Name	Date
PC106		Walker	Justin	10/18/2010
PC107	Savoy MTA Committee	Yeh	Paul	10/18/2010
PC108		Wang	Sidney	10/18/2010
PC109	Savoy MTA Committee	Tae	Susan	10/18/2010
PC110		Levey	Sam	10/18/2010
PC111		Fishel	Alan	10/19/2010
PC112	Westwood South of Santa Monica Blvd. HOA	Broide	Barbara	10/9/2010
PC113	Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council	Brown	J. Russell	9/8/2010
PC114	The Transit Coalition	Alpern	Ken	10/8/2010
PC115	Japanese American Cultural and Community Center	Handa	Toshio "Terry"	10/4/2010
PC116	Little Tokyo Community Council & Tokyo Villa HOA	Nishimura	Howard	9/28/2010
PC117		Byun	Myunghee	10/13/2010
<b>Public Hearings<sup>1</sup></b>				
PHA1		Fishel	Alan	9/28/2010
PHA2	Japanese Chamber of Commerce	Okamoto	Mike	9/28/2010
PHA3	Little Tokyo Business Association and Little Tokyo Business Improvement District	Liu	Wilson	9/28/2010
PHA4		Kay	Greg	9/28/2010
PHA5		Adelman	Charles	9/28/2010
PHA6		Havens	Alan	9/28/2010
PHA7		Zablen	Nathan	9/28/2010
PHA8	Los Angeles Homba Hongwanji Temple	Briones	William	9/28/2010

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Comment Letter/ Speaker	Affiliation	Last Name	First Name	Date
PHA9	Little Tokyo Community Council	Watanabe	Bill	9/28/2010
PHA10		Kawaratani	Yukio	9/28/2010
PHA11	Historic Downtown Business Improvement District of the L.A. City Chapter	Brown	Russ	9/28/2010
PHA12		Covarrubias	Joel	9/28/2010
PHA13	Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council	Berman	Patti	9/28/2010
PHA14	Electric Railway Historical Association	Frevele	Dave	9/28/2010
PHA15		Westwater	Brady	9/28/2010
PHA16		Springer	Jay	9/28/2010
PHA17	Nikkei Center, LLC Project	Kaji	Jon	9/28/2010
PHA18	The Spice Table	Luu-Ng	Kim	9/28/2010
PHA19	GetFit Little Tokyo	Yamaguchi	Jayson	9/28/2010
PHA20	California Japanese American Community Leadership Council	Nishio	Alan	9/28/2010
PHA21	Koraku Group, Inc.	Yamauchi	Hiroshi	9/28/2010
PHA22	Fugetsu-Do Confectionery	Kito	Brian	9/28/2010
PHA23		Kerr	John	9/28/2010
PHA24	Gold Line Washington Alignment Advocacy Group	Howard	Les	9/28/2010
PHB1	Fixing Angelenos Stuck in Traffic	Norton	Hilary	10/4/2010
PHB2		Grace	Roger	10/4/2010
PHB3	Metropolitan News Enterprise	Bobigian	Vahn	10/4/2010
PHB4		Grace	Jo-Ann	10/4/2010
PHB5	Metropolitan News Enterprise	Philibosian	Robert	10/4/2010

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Comment Letter/ Speaker	Affiliation	Last Name	First Name	Date
PHB6	Suehiro Café, Inc.	Suzuki	Kenji	10/4/2010
PHB7		Havens	Alan	10/4/2010
PHB8		Berg	Martin	10/4/2010
PHB9	The Transit Coalition	Reed	Bart	10/4/2010
PHB10		Springhetti	Joan	10/4/2010
PHB11		Miyoshi	Ellen	10/4/2010
PHB12	Koraku Group, Inc.	Yamauchi	Hiroshi	10/4/2010
PHB13		Sachs	Arnold	10/4/2010
PHB14	Little Tokyo Business Association and Little Tokyo Business Improvement District	Liu	Wilson	10/4/2010
PHB15		Wright	Jerard	10/4/2010
PHB16	Central City Association	Chavira	Tracey	10/4/2010
PHB17	Historic Downtown Theater	Brown	Russell	10/4/2010
PHB18		Garza	Don	10/4/2010
PHB19	Shabu Shabu House Restaurant	Maruyama	Yoshi	10/4/2010
PHB20		Baisez	Christine	10/4/2010

*Note:*

<sup>1</sup> *These public comments are speakers who commented on the project during the hearing.*

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Last Name	First Name	Comment Letter/ Speaker	Affiliation
		CN10	Savoy Homeowners Association
Adelman	Charles	PC52	
Adelman	Charles	PHA5	
Agnew	Jonno	CN19	Higgins Building HOA
Agnew	Jonno	PC99	Higgins Lofts
Aihara	Chris	CN6	Japanese American Cultural and Community Center
Aima	Matthew	PC44	
Aldava	Lawrence	PC27	
Allen	Dennis	CN22	Los Angeles Streetcar, Inc.
Alossi	Rich	PC18	
Alpern	Ken	PC114	The Transit Coalition
Altamirano	Jaime	PC98	
Avitabile	Travis	PC35	
Axelrod	Steve	PC34	
Axelrod	Rise B.	PC55	
Axelrod	Steven	PC56	
Baisez	Christine	PC31	
Baisez	Christine	PHB20	
Balkin	Arlene Akemi	BU34	Levy Affiliated Holdings, LLC
Barnes	Jason	PC61	
Batikian	Silva	AL7	City of Los Angeles, BSL
Berg	Martin	PHB8	
Berk	Fred	PC60	

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Last Name	First Name	Comment Letter/ Speaker	Affiliation
Berman	Patti	PHA13	Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council
Berryhill	Glen	BU30	Thomas Properties Group Inc.
Bilski	Jonathan	PC11	
Blackburn	Gregor	AF1	U.S. Department of Homeland Security - FEMA
Bobigian	Vahn	PHB3	Metropolitan News Enterprise
Briones	William	PHA8	Los Angeles Homba Hongwanji Temple
Broide	Barbara	PC112	Westwood South of Santa Monica Blvd. HOA
Brown	J. Russell	PC113	Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council
Brown	Russ	PHA11	Historic Downtown Business Improvement District of the L.A. City Chapter
Brown	Russell	PHB17	Historic Downtown Theater
Byun	Myunghee	PC117	
Centeno	Adriana	PC58	
Chaiken	Stacie	PC100	
Chang	San Ok	PC90	
Chavira	Tracey	PHB16	Central City Association
Chen	Jay	PC47	
Cheung	Domino	PC64	
Chou	Flora	CN14	Los Angeles Conservancy
Clark	Yasue	CN7	Little Tokyo Service Center

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Last Name	First Name	Comment Letter/ Speaker	Affiliation
Clarke	Darrell	CN18	Sierra Club
Covarrubias	Joel	PC3	
Covarrubias	Joel	PC26	
Covarrubias	Joel	PHA12	
Dang	Tim	CN13	East West Players
Davidson	Christopher	PC77	
Donato	Carol	PC22	
Dunning	Connell	AF2	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region IX
Duong	Toan	AL4	County of Los Angeles - Department of Public Works
Egdal	David	PC19	
Farber	Gail	AL5	County of Los Angeles - Department of Public Works
Federis	Frank	PC24	
Fishel	Alan	PC111	
Fishel	Alan	PHA1	
Fong	Ronald M.	CN9	Asian Pacific Islander Small Business Program
Frevele	Dave	PC72	
Frevele	Dave	PHA14	Electric Railway Historical Association
Fujita	James	PC1	
Fukushima	Kristin	CN4	Japanese American Citizens League - Pacific Southwest District
Fung	Hank	PC103	
Furlong	Aaron	PC10	

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Last Name	First Name	Comment Letter/ Speaker	Affiliation
Garcia	Dan	PC42	
Garibay	Darryl	BU21	Advanced Parking Systems
Garza	Bobby	PC101	
Garza	Don	PHB18	
Gonzalez	Rachel	PC14	
Gove	John	PC43	
Grace	Roger M.	BU1	Metropolitan News Enterprise
Grace	Roger M. and Jo-Ann W.	BU24	Metropolitan News Enterprise
Grace	Roger	PHB2	
Grace	Jo-Ann	PHB4	
Grewal	AnnMarie	PC41	
Gross	Spencer	PC51	
Handa	Toshio "Terry"	BU2	Japanese Chamber of Commerce of Southern California
Handa	Toshio "Terry"	PC115	Japanese American Cultural and Community Center
Hanks	Keith	AL8	Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority
Hashimoto	Frances	BU33	Mikawaya
Havens	Alan D.	PC70	
Havens	Alan	PHA6	
Havens	Alan	PHB7	
Helfand	Morley	PC9	
Herrasti	Jose	PC12	



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Last Name	First Name	Comment Letter/ Speaker	Affiliation
Hirase	Kikue	PC81	
Ho	Jean	PC25	
Hogge	Richard	PC29	
Hom	Japhet	PC57	
Howard	Les	PC28	
Howard	Les	PHA24	Gold Line Washington Alignment Advocacy Group
Hur	Jenny	PC79	
Hymel	Chad	PC23	
Iki	Nobuko	PC86	
Ishida	Hiroshi Brian	BU31	J-WAVE Video
Ishii	Craig	CN2	Japanese American Citizens League - Pacific Southwest District
Johnston	Mark R.	PC37	NARP-TRAC-PRS
Kahn	Aaron	PC62	
Kaji	Jon	PHA17	Nikkei Center, LLC Project
Kame	Gregory	BU14	Los Angeles Eye Care Optometry Group
Kassimir	Spencer V.	PC7	
Kassimir	Spencer V.	PC20	
Kawaratani	Kiyoshi	BU11	Rafu Bussan, Inc.
Kawaratani	Yukio	PC30	
Kawaratani	Yukio	PC76	
Kawaratani	Yukio	PHA10	

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Last Name	First Name	Comment Letter/ Speaker	Affiliation
Kay	Greg	PHA4	
Keating	Tim	BU25	LARABA, LaDADspace
Kerr	John	PHA23	
Kim	Kun Ja	PC82	
Kim	Suk Hee	PC93	
Kito	Brian	BU26	Fugetsu-do Confectionery
Kito	Brian	PHA22	Fugetsu-Do Confectionery
Koh	Mija	PC85	
Koh	Sang Soo	PC91	
Kosinski	Ronald	AS2	State of California - Department of Transportation, District 7
Lee	Nelson	PC33	
Levey	Sam	PC110	
Lim	Teressa	PC39	
Lin	Susan	PC75	
Liu	Huasha	AR2	Southern California Association of Governments
Liu	Wilson	BU6	Cherry Land Company
Liu	Wilson	BU7	Ho-Narumi-Taira Investment Company
Liu	Wilson	BU8	Sho Tokyo Parking LLC
Liu	Wilson	BU9	Taira Investment Company
Liu	Wilson	BU10	Taira Services Corporation
Liu	Wilson	BU20	Little Tokyo Business Association and Little Tokyo Business Improvement District

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Last Name	First Name	Comment Letter/ Speaker	Affiliation
Liu	Wilson	PHA3	Little Tokyo Business Association and Little Tokyo Business Improvement District
Liu	Wilson	PHB14	Little Tokyo Business Association and Little Tokyo Business Improvement District
Lo	Derrick	PC63	
Lu	Grace	PC65	
Luu-Ng	Kim	PHA18	The Spice Table
MacMillan	Ian	AR1	South Coast Air Quality Management District
Magdaleno	George	PC16	
Mandel	John	PC17	
Marks	Wally	PC68	
Martinez	Esperanza V.	CN17	Bus Riders Union
Maruyama	Yoshinobu	BU38	Shabu-Shabu House Restaurant
Maruyama	Yoshi	PHB19	Shabu Shabu House Restaurant
Mason	Matt	PC6	
Masuda	Sotaro	BU13	Joy Mart Restaurant
Masuda	Etsuko	BU15	Teishokuya of Tokyo
Masuda	Etsuko	BU40	Teishokuya of Tokyo
Masuda	Sotaro	BU41	Joy Mart Restaurant
Mayeda	Kelly	CN3	Japanese American Citizens League - Pacific Southwest District
Mendoires	Rupert	PC45	
Metcalfe	Michael	PC84	Metcalf Associates
Mikuni	Peggy T.	BU4	Yamato Travel Bureau
Miyoshi	Ellen	PHB11	

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Last Name	First Name	Comment Letter/ Speaker	Affiliation
Mochizuki	John	PC80	
Mochizuki	Noriko	PC87	
Montijo	Jorge	PC32	
Montijo	Jorge	PC105	
Moore	David G.	PC54	
Moore et. al.	Gary Lee	AL3	City of Los Angeles, DCP, BOE, BSL, DOT, CRA/LA
Mukai	Susan	BU39	Nishi Center
Myers	Joseph	PC49	
Nakamura	Ken	BU17	Ken Nakamura, D.D.S.
Ng	Bryant and Kim Luu	BU22	The Spice Table
Nishimura	Sakiko	PC89	
Nishimura	Howard	PC116	Little Tokyo Community Council & Tokyo Villa HOA
Nishio	Alan	PHA20	California Japanese American Community Leadership Council
Norton	Hilary	CN16	Fixing Angelenos Stuck in Traffic
Norton	Hilary	PHB1	Fixing Angelenos Stuck in Traffic
Obana	Yaeko	PC96	
Oh	Jannie	PC66	
Okamoto	Yuji	BU35	Hair Craft Salon
Okamoto	Mike	PHA2	Japanese Chamber of Commerce
Orona	Phil	PC73	
Ortiz	Lupe	PC67	
Ozawa	Michael	CN12	Go For Broke National Education Center

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Last Name	First Name	Comment Letter/ Speaker	Affiliation
Park	Jong Hyung	BU16	Favorite Snack
Percus	Allon	PC48	
Pereyra	Jose	AS3	State of California - Public Utilities Commission
Perry	Jan	AL2	City of Los Angeles City Council
Perry	Patrick A.	BU32	Allen Matkins Leck Gamble Mallory & Natsis LLP on behalf of the Tribune Company
Philibosian	Robert	PHB5	Metropolitan News Enterprise
Poosti	Ali	AL6	City of Los Angeles - Department of Public Works, Bureau of Sanitation
Popov	Yuri O.	PC4	
Potter	Meghan	CN5	Japanese American Citizens League - Pacific Southwest District
Reed	Bart	CN15	The Transit Coalition
Reed	Bart	PHB9	The Transit Coalition
Ricci	Thomas S.	BU36	Thomas Properties Group Inc.
Roderick	Trina	PC15	
Rumme	Daigaku	CN21	Zenshuji Temple
Sachs	Arnold	PHB13	
Sakamoto	Tadao	PC94	
Sakamto	Yoshiko	PC97	
Salumbides	Romeo	PC38	
Santana	Elana	PC59	
Schatz	Carol E.	BU29	Central City Association of Los Angeles
Schumacher	Richard	PC74	

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Last Name	First Name	Comment Letter/ Speaker	Affiliation
Sein	Christina	PC71	
Shinchi	Masumi	PC83	
Simonian	Irene Tsukada	BU3	Bunkado, Inc.
Sitty	Rani	PC50	
Smith	Jim	BU27	Japanese Village Plaza
Springer	Jay	PHA16	
Springhetti	Joan	PC104	
Springhetti	Joan	PHB10	
Suzuki	Kenji	BU23	Suehiro Café, Inc.
Suzuki	Kenji	PHB6	Suehiro Café, Inc.
Tae	Susan	PC109	Savoy MTA Committee
Taiyoshi	Elaine	BU12	Little Tokyo Arts & Gifts
Takashima	Wilbur	PC69	
Takayama	George	BU37	Rothenberg Sandy Architects
Todd	John R.	AL1	County of Los Angeles - Fire Department
Tong	Kam	PC13	
Tooley	Eric	PC8	
Tower	Carlos	PC5	
Volk	Robert D.	PC88	
Wakayama	Tsutae	PC95	
Walker	Daniel	PC46	
Walker	Justin	PC106	
Wang	Sidney	PC108	

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Last Name	First Name	Comment Letter/ Speaker	Affiliation
Watanabe	Bill	CN1	Little Tokyo Community Council
Watanabe	Bill	CN8	Little Tokyo Service Center
Watanabe	Bill	CN20	Little Tokyo Community Council
Watanabe	Bill	PHA9	Little Tokyo Community Council
Watson	Dianna	AS1	State of California - Department of Transportation, District 7
Westwater	Brady	PC102	
Westwater	Brady	PHA15	
Witte; Broad	William A.; Eli	BU28	Related/Companies, L.P./Grand Avenue L.A., LLC/The Broad Collection
Wright	Jerard	PC2	
Wright	Jerard	PHB15	
Yamaguchi	Jayson	PHA19	GetFit Little Tokyo
Yamauchi	Hiroshi	BU5	Koraku Group, Inc.
Yamauchi	Hiroshi	PHA21	Koraku Group, Inc.
Yamauchi	Hiroshi	PHB12	Koraku Group, Inc.
Yano	Akemi Kikumura	CN11	Japanese American National Museum
Yasuda	Hiroko	PC78	
Yeh	Paul	PC107	Savoy MTA Committee
Yen	Brigham	PC21	
Yick	Andrew	PC53	
Yoon	Young S.	PC40	
Yoon	Simon S.	PC92	
Zablen	Nathan	PHA7	

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Last Name	First Name	Comment Letter/ Speaker	Affiliation
Zhao	Yuqiao	PC36	
		BU18	Little Tokyo Business Association and Little Tokyo Business Improvement District
		BU19	Little Tokyo Business Association and Little Tokyo Business Improvement District

### 9.3.2 Comments Received on the Supplemental EA/Recirculated Draft EIR Sections

To assist the reader's review and use of the responses to comments received on the Supplemental EA/Recirculated Draft EIR Sections, two indices that provide the commenter name, affiliation, and comment letter identification designator (e.g., R-PC1) for each comment letter are provided below. Table 9-4 lists all the comment letters by comment letter identification designator and Table 9-5 lists all of the comment letters alphabetically by commenter's last name.



**Table 9-4. Supplemental EA/Recirculated Draft EIR Sections  
Index by Comment Letter Identification Designator**

Comment Letter	Affiliation	Last Name	First Name	Date
<b>Federal Agencies</b>				
R-AF1	U.S. Department of Homeland Security - FEMA	Blackburn	Gregor	8/30/2011
R-AF2	U.S. Department of the Interior	Port	Patricia Sanderson	9/1/2011
<b>Local Agencies</b>				
R-AL1	City of Los Angeles - Bureau of Engineering	Tran	Curtis	9/6/2011
R-AL2	City of Los Angeles - Department of Transportation	Bok	Susan	9/6/2011
R-AL3	City of Los Angeles - Department of Public Works, Bureau of Sanitation	Poosti	Ali	8/23/2011
R-AL4	County of Los Angeles - Community and Senior Services	Donnelly	Roseann	9/2/2011
<b>State Agencies</b>				
R-AS1	State of California Native American Heritage Commission	Singleton	Dave	8/29/2011
R-AS2	State of California - Department of Transportation, District 7	Watson	Dianna	6/9/2011
R-AS3	State of California - Public Utilities Commission	Gilbert	Daren	6/7/2011
<b>Businesses and Business Groups</b>				
R-BU1	Green Bamboo	Hong	William	8/4/2011
R-BU2	Hines	Shepherd	Colin	8/17/2011
R-BU3	Allen Matkins Leck Gamble Mallory & Natsis LLP on behalf of the Los Angeles Times	Friess	K. Erik	8/31/2011
R-BU4	Thomas Properties Group, Inc.	Ricci	Thomas S.	9/1/2011
R-BU5	Little Tokyo Business Association and Little Tokyo Business Improvement District; Little Tokyo Community Council	Liu; Okamoto	Wilson; Mike	8/29/2011

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Comment Letter	Affiliation	Last Name	First Name	Date
R-BU6	DLA Piper LLP on behalf of Hines Interest Limited Partnership	Leaderman	Ryan M.	9/2/2011
R-BU7	Latham & Watkins LLP on behalf of Japanese Village, LLC	Crockett	Robert D.	9/6/2011
R-BU8	Downtown LA Arts District Business Improvement District	Lopez	Estela	9/6/2011
R-BU9	Weisenhaus Architecture	Weisenhaus	Duane	9/6/2011
R-BU10	Westin Hotels & Resorts	Czarcinski	Michael	9/2/2011
<b>Community Groups and Non-Profit Organizations</b>				
R-CN1	Fixing Angelenos Stuck in Traffic (FAST)	Norton	Hilary	7/22/2011
R-CN2	The Colburn School	Kardan	Sel	9/6/2011
R-CN3	Community Connector Coalition	Broad; Kardan	Eli; Sel	8/30/2011
R-CN4	Los Angeles Conservancy	Fine	Adrian Scott	9/6/2011
<b>Public Comments</b>				
R-PC1		Kasperavicius	Alexis	7/18/2011
R-PC2		Tooley	Eric	8/13/2011
R-PC3		Norton	Jim	8/14/2011
R-PC4		Dillard	Joyce	9/6/2011
R-PC5		Kay	Gregory	9/1/2011
R-PC6		Braunstein	Alex	9/2/2011
R-PC7		Johnston	Mark R.	9/7/2011
R-PC8		Frevele	Dave	9/2/2011

**Table 9-5. Supplemental EA/Recirculated Draft EIR Sections  
Index by Commenter's Last Name**

Last Name	First Name	Comment Letter	Affiliation
Blackburn	Gregor	R-AF1	U.S. Department of Homeland Security - FEMA
Bok	Susan	R-AL2	City of Los Angeles - Department of Transportation
Braunstein	Alex	R-PC6	
Broad; Kardan	Eli; Sel	R-CN3	Community Connector Coalition
Crockett	Robert D.	R-BU7	Latham & Watkins LLP on behalf of Japanese Village, LLC
Czarcinski	Michael	R-BU10	Westin Hotels & Resorts
Dillard	Joyce	R-PC4	
Donnelly	Roseann	R-AL4	County of Los Angeles - Community and Senior Services
Fine	Adrian Scott	R-CN4	Los Angeles Conservancy
Frevele	Dave	R-PC8	
Friess	K. Erik	R-BU3	Allen Matkins Leck Gamble Mallory & Natsis LLP on behalf of the Los Angeles Times
Gilbert	Daren	R-AS3	State of California - Public Utilities Commission
Hong	William	R-BU1	Green Bamboo
Johnston	Mark R.	R-PC7	
Kardan	Sel	R-CN2	The Colburn School
Kasperavicius	Alexis	R-PC1	
Kay	Gregory	R-PC5	
Leaderman	Ryan M.	R-BU6	DLA Piper LLP on behalf of Hines Interest Limited Partnership
Liu; Okamoto	Wilson; Mike	R-BU5	Little Tokyo Business Association and Little Tokyo Business Improvement District; Little Tokyo Community Council

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Norton	Hilary	R-CN1	Fixing Angelenos Stuck in Traffic (FAST)
Norton	Jim	R-PC3	
Poosti	Ali	R-AL3	City of Los Angeles - Department of Public Works, Bureau of Sanitation
Port	Patricia Sanderson	R-AF2	U.S. Department of the Interior
Ricci	Thomas S.	R-BU4	Thomas Properties Group, Inc.
Shepherd	Colin	R-BU2	Hines
Singleton	Dave	R-AS1	State of California Native American Heritage Commission
Tooley	Eric	R-PC2	
Tran	Curtis	R-AL1	City of Los Angeles - Bureau of Engineering
Watson	Dianna	R-AS2	State of California - Department of Transportation, District 7
Weisenhaus	Duane	R-BU9	Weisenhaus Architecture