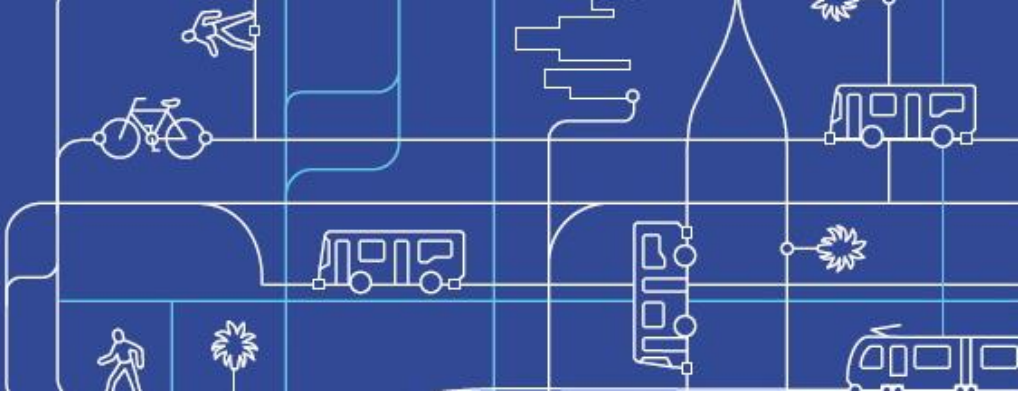


NEXTGEN Bus Study



COORDINATION WITH OTHER STUDIES/SERVICE PROVIDERS

6) How is the NextGen Bus Study integrating with Metro’s Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Vision and Principles Study?

The BRT Vision and Principles Study will establish and build consensus on a clear vision, goals and objectives for the BRT system and develop guidance on the design of the BRT network. It will also facilitate the identification and prioritization of future BRT candidate corridors. The NextGen Bus Study will coordinate and share data with the BRT study team in order to improve bus speeds and maximize Metro’s investment in future BRT corridors. Data to be shared includes travel demand data, identification of congested corridors, and auto vs. transit travel time ratios for major travel corridors, which will assist the BRT study with the identification and prioritization of the first decade Measure M BRT project, which has an expected opening date of FY 2022-2024. In addition, the NextGen Bus Study will develop short term recommendations for “hot spot” speed and reliability improvements on major transit corridors based on guidelines, which will further help guide BRT investment.

7) How is the NextGen Bus Study integrating with future Metro Rail/BRT capital projects?

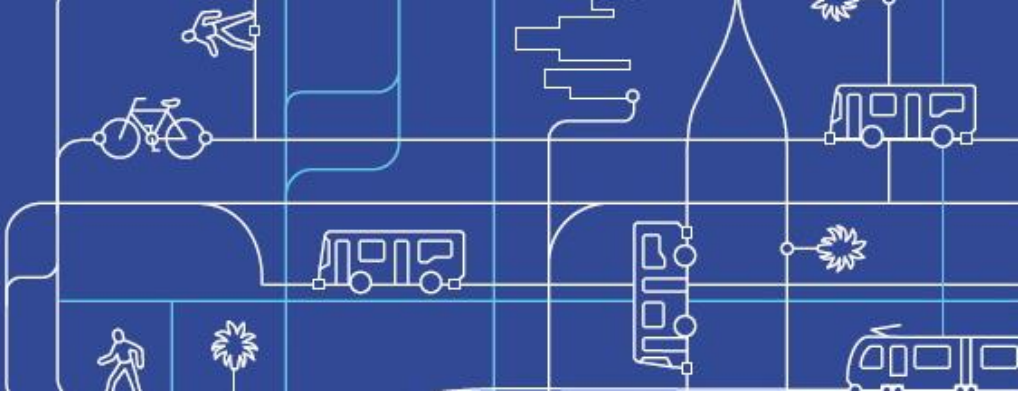
The NextGen Bus Study is focusing on a 10-year horizon (2030). Therefore, all rail lines under construction, including Crenshaw/LAX, Regional Connector, and Westside Purple Line Extension Phase 1, 2, 3, are assumed as part of the existing transit infrastructure. In addition, future projects currently in the planning stage and expected to be under construction within the next 10 years will be considered in route planning and scheduling decisions, including the East San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor, Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project, West Santa Ana Branch Transit Corridor, Gold Line Foothill Extension Phase 2B to Claremont, Green Line Torrance Extension, Vermont Corridor BRT, North Hollywood to Pasadena Transit Corridor BRT, and North San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor BRT.

8) How is the NextGen Bus Study integrating with the MicroTransit Pilot Project and Mobility on Demand Grant Program?

The Mobility on Demand Program and the MicroTransit Pilot Projects will be integrated into the network once they have been implemented. The NextGen Bus Study will account for these during the study process.

9) Will bus service provided by the LA County municipal transit operators also be included in the NextGen Bus Study?

Through the NextGen Bus Study, we are taking a holistic approach to the LA County bus system that does not look at Metro alone but instead leverages all resources, including municipal operators.



10) How is the Long Range Transportation Plan integrating the NextGen Bus Study in its update process?

The NextGen Bus Study and the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) are already integrating in terms of coordinated public outreach efforts and travel demand data sharing. The LRTP has many components, but the portion on future bus system operations will be structured around the findings and outcomes from the NextGen Bus Study, along with other Metro policies and programs. This includes a thorough examination of how the system can best function in future decades based on what NextGen tells us about Metro’s current system, combined with other forecasts about future regional growth, and how to ensure the bus infrastructure is funded and maintained in a constant state of good repair. This is a sequential coordination with each phase informing the next.

FUNDING/RESOURCES

11) Will the NextGen Bus Service Plan be constrained to the 7 million service hours currently available?

The initial assumption of the NextGen Bus Study is to develop a service plan within the range of 7 million service hours, plus or minus 10 percent (6.3 million to 7.7 million hours). However, this does not preclude Metro from developing a service plan that exceeds this range should the benefits justify any tradeoffs to other Metro projects and programs.

12) How will fares be affected?

The NextGen Bus Study is a study of the bus system; fares are not being considered as part of this effort.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT & COMMUNITY ISSUES

13) Will there be further opportunities for public input on the NextGen Bus Study?

Yes. Public engagement is critical to the success of the NextGen Bus Study and Metro is actively soliciting input. Here are some of the current and upcoming opportunities:

- Help Metro rank and prioritize bus service characteristics with our online engagement tool: <https://nextgen.metroquest.com>.
- Attend a public meeting in November 2018 - visit www.metro.net/nextgen for more details.
- Email your thoughts or request a presentation for your organization by contacting Robert Cálix at nextgen@metro.net.