

Next stop: New rail to southeast LA County.

WEST SANTA ANA BRANCH TRANSIT CORRIDOR



Community Update Meetings
January/February 2019

Agenda

- > Project Overview
- > How We Got Here
- > Environmental Approach & Methodology
- > Updated Project Definition
- > Next Steps



Project Goals

- > Provide **mobility** improvements
- > Support local and regional **land use** plans and policies
- > Minimize **environmental** impacts
- > Ensure **cost** effectiveness and financial feasibility
- > Promote **equity**



Project Overview

- > 19 miles
- > 12 new stations
- > 5 new park & ride facilities
- > Study area: 98 square miles

Study Area	Current	Projected (2042)
Pop.	1.4 M	1.6 M
Emp.	619,000	747,000

- > Populations and employment densities are **five times higher** than LA County



Project History

Feb.
2013

- SCAG approved Alternatives Analysis (AA)

Sept.
2015

- Metro Board received the Technical Refinement Study (TRS)

April
2017

- Metro Board of Directors approved the Northern Alignments Options Screening Report

June
2017

- Original Scoping Meetings

May
2018

- Updated Northern Alignments Screening Report
- Metro Board selected New Northern Alignments for further study

July
2018

- WSAB Updated Scoping Meetings

Dec.
2018

- Metro Board approved updated Project Definition for Environmental Study

Purpose of Environmental Analysis

- > Study potential effects of construction and operation
- > Evaluate measures to avoid, minimize and mitigate adverse effects



Environmental Analysis Topics*

- > Traffic & Parking
- > Noise & Vibration
- > Safety & Security
- > Displacement & Property Acquisitions
- > Environmental Justice
- > Visual & Aesthetics
- > Growth Impacts
- > Cumulative Impacts

*Partial listing



Updated Environmental Planning Process



*Timeline Subject to Change

Opportunities for Public Involvement Prior to Release of Draft EIS/EIR

- > Community Update Meetings – Winter 2019
- > Metro Rail Tours – Spring 2019
- > Next Round of Community Update Meetings – Fall 2019
- > First/Last Mile Planning Process – Spring/Fall 2019

Draft EIS/EIR = Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Report
FTA = Federal Transit Administration
LPA = Locally Preferred Alternative
ROD = Record of Decision

Updated Project Definition: Northern Alignment

- **Removed from further study:**
 - Alternative G (Pershing Square design option)
 - Washington Station
 - Vernon Station
- **Other Refinements:**
 - Union Station Forecourt Station (shifted east)
 - Little Tokyo Station (optional)
 - Aerial structure over the I-10 freeway



Updated Project Definition: Southern Alignment

- > **Removed from further study:**
 - 183rd/Gridley Station
 - Optional Bloomfield extension & station
- > **Five aerial grade-separations added:**
 - Firestone Bl (South Gate)
 - Imperial Hwy/Garfield Av (South Gate)
 - Downey Av (Paramount)
 - Flower St/Woodruff (Bellflower)
 - 183rd/Gridley (Cerritos)
- > **Other Refinements**
 - Firestone Station (shifted south)
 - I-105/Green Line Station (shifted north)
 - Paramount Station (shifted closer to Paramount Bl)
 - Paramount High School pedestrian bridge (reconstruct below grade)
 - Pioneer Station parking site located within City of Artesia



Funding

- > **Measure M Expenditure Plan identifies \$4 B (in two decades)**
 - FY 2028: \$1 billion
 - FY 2041: \$3 billion
- > **Updated Project Cost Estimate: \$6.5 to \$6.6 B (in 2018\$)**
- > **Identified in Metro's Twenty-Eight by '28 Initiative**

Community Update Meetings

DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES (LITTLE TOKYO)

Wed., January 30, 2019, 5-7pm

Nishi Hongwanji Buddhist Temple
815 E 1st St, Los Angeles, CA 90012

> *Intérprete en español*

> 日本語通訳

ARTESIA

Thurs., February 7, 2019, 6-8pm

Albert O. Little Community Center
18750 Clarkdale Av, Artesia, CA 90701

> *Intérprete en español*

SOUTH GATE

Sat., February 2, 2019, 10am-12pm

South Gate Girls Club House
4940 Southern Av, South Gate, CA 90280

> A Kids Corner will be available

> *Intérprete en español*

For those unable to attend the meetings, a **video recording of the formal presentation** will be made available on the project website at the conclusion of the meeting series.

Use the Metro trip planner, available at metro.net, to find the most convenient way to access these meetings.

Next Steps

> Environmental Planning

- Continued coordination
- Continued technical analysis
- Advance design
- First/Last Mile (FLM) Planning

> Future

- Release of Draft EIS/EIR & Public Hearings – Summer 2020
- Board Selects Locally Preferred Alternative – Summer 2020
- Certify Final EIR & Issue ROD for Final EIS – Winter 2021



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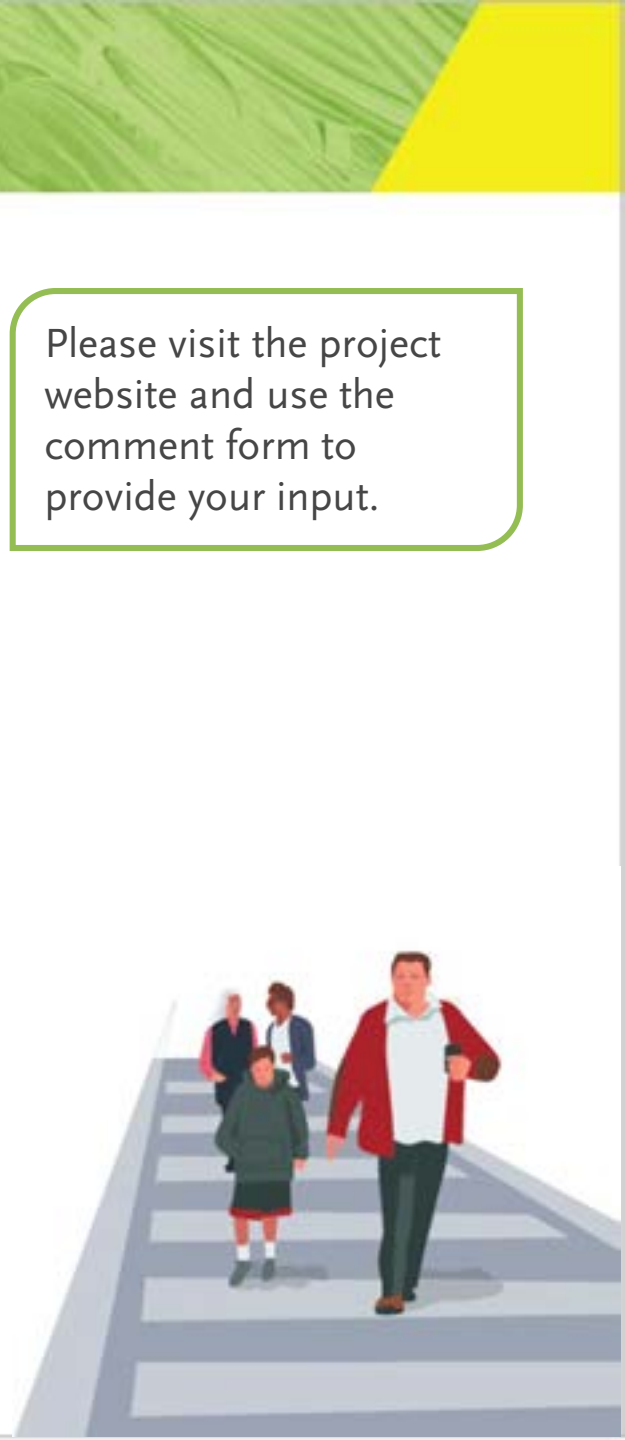


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We Want to Hear From You!

- > We're here to listen – all comments will be considered
- > Please be respectful of all speakers
- > Submit a speaker card
- > Two (2) minutes per speaker
- > Three names called at a time; please line up and be prepared
- > State your name and speak clearly
- > Interpreters are available



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Thank You!

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