Countywide Bus Rapid Transit & Street Design Improvement Study

October 3, 2012
Background

- August 2011 – Board adopted motion (Villaraigosa) to identify, analyze, and recommend at least 5 BRT corridors, including dedicated bus lanes, countywide
- October 2011 – Board approved strategy for identifying potential BRT corridors and bus speed/street design improvements
- June 2012 - Consultant (Parsons Brinkerhoff) hired for technical assistance and support
- Anticipate study to be completed by April 2013
Project Goals and Objectives

- Identify candidate corridors for peak period bus lanes countywide
- Identify other near term, low cost, highly effective bus speed improvements
- Improve bus passenger travel times & schedule reliability
- Identify feasible and cost effective street design improvements
Project Approach

- Will take a countywide system approach in developing recommendations
- Will assess the operating and capital costs and benefits of the proposed BRT corridors and other bus speed improvement strategies
- Study will be conducted in collaboration with advisory committee consisting of LADOT, LACDPW, BRU, some select transit agencies, and a number of other key stakeholders
Current Status

• Held first advisory committee meeting on June 26, 2012
• Conducted initial screening of corridors based on set of criteria and input from advisory committee
• Developed an initial list of 100+ corridors as a starting point
• Conducting second screening of potential candidate corridors to narrow list from 100+ to 36
Next Steps

• Present initial results of 36 candidate corridors to advisory committee early October 2012
• Conduct a third screening to further reduce the number of potential corridors from 36 to 12
• Conduct corridor field reviews and develop recommendations for bus lanes and/or other bus speed improvement strategies as well as street design improvements
• Meet with all affected jurisdictions/key stakeholders