

# Coordination Plan

## GOLD LINE EASTSIDE TRANSIT CORRIDOR PHASE 2



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## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) has re-initiated the Conceptual Engineering (CE), Advanced Conceptual Engineering (ACE), and the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)/Environmental Impact Report (EIR) process for the proposed transit improvements in the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2. Metro is serving as the lead agency for purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) environmental review. The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) is serving as the federal lead agency with Metro serving as a joint lead agency for purposes of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) environmental review.

The project Alternatives Analysis (AA) Study was initiated in 2007. The completion of the AA Study resulted in the screening of various potential routes, modes, and configurations down to four light rail (LRT) Alternatives, a Transportation System Management (TSM) Alternative, and a No Build Alternative. The AA Study was subsequently adopted by the Metro Board in January 2009. A Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare a Draft EIS/EIR was issued in 2010. The Draft EIS/EIR analyzed the two Build Alternatives--State Route 60 (SR 60) and Washington Boulevard--in addition to the No Build and TSM Alternatives. To address technical issues regarding proximity to the Operating Industries, Inc. (OII) Superfund site and in close coordination with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), the SR 60 North Side Design Variation (SR 60 NSDV) was added as a design variation. The Draft EIS/EIR was released on August 22, 2014 for a public comment period of 60 days. In November 2014, the Metro Board approved carrying forward two Build Alternatives for further study: the SR 60 NSDV, referred to herein as the SR 60 Alternative, and the Washington Boulevard Alternative, referred to herein as the Washington Alternative. The Metro Board also eliminated the Garfield Avenue aerial segment of the Washington Alternative and directed staff to carry out additional technical work, including identifying a new north-south alignment to connect to the Washington Alternative.

In May 2017, the Metro Board received the findings of the Post Draft EIS/EIR Technical Study and decided to advance the No Build Alternative and the following Build Alternatives for environmental review:

- SR 60 Alternative (previously referred to as the SR 60 NSDV Alternative);
- Washington Alternative with the Atlantic Boulevard below-grade option (referred to as the Washington Alternative); and
- Combined Alternative, defined as full build out of the SR 60 and Washington Alternatives.

Given changes to the alternatives that have occurred and additional studies that have been conducted, a Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR is being prepared to reanalyze impacts

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associated with the refined alternatives and the Combined Alternative, leading to the selection of a Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA). The Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR will examine the potential impacts and mitigation measures associated with the refined alternatives. The next phase consists of the Preliminary Engineering of the LPA, including preparation of the Final EIS/EIR. Final Design of the LPA would follow Preliminary Engineering and the Final EIS/EIR. The project will be conducted in accordance with the most recent FTA standard guidelines for project development and Section 1304 of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, and all environmental documentation prepared will satisfy the requirements of NEPA and CEQA.

## 1.1 Project Purpose and Need

The draft project purpose and need will be further refined based on public and agency comments received during the scoping process. The 2014 Draft EIS/EIR indicated that the purpose of the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 Project is to improve transit access and mobility by connecting communities of eastern Los Angeles County to Metro's regional transit system. The 2014 Draft EIS/EIR indicated that the project would serve the large number of transit-dependent and low-income populations in the project area and increase access to major employment centers, activity centers, and destinations in the project area and Los Angeles County. The 2014 Draft EIS/EIR included that the project also aims to reduce travel times on local and regional transportation networks and offer a convenient and reliable transportation alternative to address increased travel demand and projected employment and population growth in eastern Los Angeles County.

As part of the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR, the updated project purpose is to provide residents, employees, visitors, businesses, and the historically underserved with a high-quality and efficient transit alternative. The project will be integrated within local communities, improve regional connectivity, provide equitable access, enhance quality of life, and support a sustainable environment.

The needs for the proposed transit improvements include the following:

- Accommodate areas of increased population and employment growth;
- Address the demand for transit service and meet the needs of transit dependent populations;
- Effectively get people to the concentrations of activity centers that exists within, and adjacent to, the project area;
- Provide travel alternatives to address high peak-hour congestion on the roadway network to meet increased demand;



- Encourage transit supportive land use and economic development opportunities;
- Improve quality of life by increasing environmental benefits and enhancing access to public services; and
- Provide additional travel options, given the high travel demand and connectivity constraints in the study area and throughout the region.

## 1.2 Purpose of the Coordination Plan

Under the provisions of 23 U.S. Code (USC) §139, this Coordination Plan provides a structure for coordination and communication between the FTA, Metro, participating agencies, and the public and is intended to guide Metro through the agency participation process. More specifically, the plan outlines the activities that will take place during the EIS/EIR process, including advanced conceptual engineering, and subsequent phases of this project.

The plan satisfies the requirements of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient, Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) of 2005, including Section 6002 for Efficient Environmental Reviews for Project Decision-making (23 USC §139(d)(3)). The Coordination Plan requirements have been modified by subsequent transportation reauthorizations, specifically by the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) (2012) and the FAST Act (2015). The FAST Act builds on the authorities and requirements in SAFETEA-LU and MAP-21 in an effort to enhance the consideration of environmental issues and impacts for Federal surface transportation projects.

The environmental planning and review process for the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 project began with early scoping during the AA process and will conclude with a NEPA determination and Record of Decision (ROD) from the FTA and CEQA Notice of Determination (NOD) from the Metro Board. Following the issuance of the ROD and NOD, the permits will be obtained. Metro will follow this Coordination Plan to solicit agency input on the project and to ensure that the received input is considered in the decision-making process. In addition to the agency coordination addressed in this plan, the project will include ongoing public involvement, outlined in Chapter 4 of this document, and further detailed in the project's Public Participation Plan (PPP).

The Coordination Plan is considered a "living document" and is designed to provide flexibility, as needed, to address changes in the project and therefore, may be adjusted from time to time in response to the evolving communication needs of the project.

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## 1.3 Project Participants

The project participants consist of the FTA, Metro, and federal, state, and local agencies who have accepted the invitation to be participating agencies pursuant to Section 1304 of the FAST Act.

## 1.4 Project Summary

The Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 Project is located in eastern Los Angeles County and is generally bounded by Pomona Boulevard and SR 60 Freeway to the north, Peck Road and Painter Avenue to the east, Olympic and Washington Boulevards to the south, and Atlantic Boulevard to the west. The project area consists of portions of eight jurisdictions, including the cities of Commerce, Montebello, Monterey Park, Pico Rivera, Rosemead, Santa Fe Springs, South El Monte, Whittier and portions of unincorporated areas in Los Angeles County which include East Los Angeles and West Whittier-Los Nietos.

The Project would extend the existing Metro Gold Line from 6.9 to approximately 16 miles, depending on the alternative, from its current terminus at Atlantic Station in the unincorporated area of East Los Angeles to eastern Los Angeles County. It would traverse densely populated, low-income, and heavily transit-dependent communities with major activity centers within the Gateway Cities and San Gabriel Valley subregions of Los Angeles County.

As indicated above, in May 2017, the Metro Board received the findings of the Post Draft EIS/EIR Technical Study and decided to advance the No Build Alternative and the following Build Alternatives for environmental review.

### 1.4.1 No Build Alternative

The No Build Alternative would maintain existing transit service through the year 2042. No new transportation infrastructure would be built within the project area aside from projects currently under construction or funded for construction and operation by 2042 via the 2008 Measure R or 2016 Measure M sales taxes. This alternative will include the highway and transit projects in the current Metro Long Range Transportation Plan and the 2035 SCAG Regional Transportation Plan. Potential modifications to the Metro bus network resulting from the Metro NextGen Bus Study and other transit planning efforts would be included.

### 1.4.2 Build Alternatives

**SR 60 Alternative:** This build alternative would extend the existing Metro Gold Line from the Atlantic Station to the city of South El Monte. Primarily, it is an aerial alignment that includes four aerial stations (Garfield, the Shops at Montebello, Santa Anita, and Peck) as described in the 2014 Draft EIS/EIR and shown on Figure 1 below. Refinements to station locations or new stations may be considered. The SR 60 Alternative alignment would be located primarily along the southern side of SR 60 Freeway right-of-way (ROW), except for a segment that passes near

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the OII Superfund Site in Monterey Park. To avoid potential impacts to the OII Site, the SR 60 Alternative alignment would transition to the north side of the SR 60 Freeway, approximately west of Greenwood Avenue, continue east within the Caltrans ROW, and then return to the south side of SR 60 Freeway, near Paramount Boulevard, where it would continue for the remainder of the alignment until its terminus in the City of South El Monte.

**Washington Alternative:** This build alternative would extend the Metro Gold Line from the existing Atlantic Station in East Los Angeles to the City of Whittier. This Alternative includes six stations (Atlantic/Whittier, the Citadel, Greenwood, Rosemead, Norwalk, and Lambert), as shown on Figure 2 below. Refinements to station locations or new stations may be considered. The configuration of the Alternative would vary, as it is proposed to transition from underground to aerial to at-grade along various portions of the alignment. From the existing Atlantic Station, the alignment would transition from at-grade west of Woods Avenue to below-grade. A design option may include changing the existing Atlantic Station to a below-grade station. The alignment would continue below-grade roughly following Atlantic Boulevard to Washington Boulevard. The alignment would remain at-grade along Washington Boulevard until just west of Lambert Road. Design options for potential aerial configurations along Washington Boulevard are also under consideration.

**Combined Alternative:** The Combined Alternative (Figure 3 below) involves construction and operation of both the SR 60 and Washington Alternatives and would require infrastructure and operational elements (such as a wye junction) that would otherwise not be required if only one of the alternatives was operated as a “stand alone” line.

Stations, parking, minimal operating segments, ancillary facilities such as a maintenance and storage facility/job training center, traction power substations, and grade separation structures, tail tracks and storage tracks, track sidings and crossovers, track signalization, and communication facilities along the proposed Project alignment would be part of each LRT alternative.

Figure 1. SR 60 Alternative

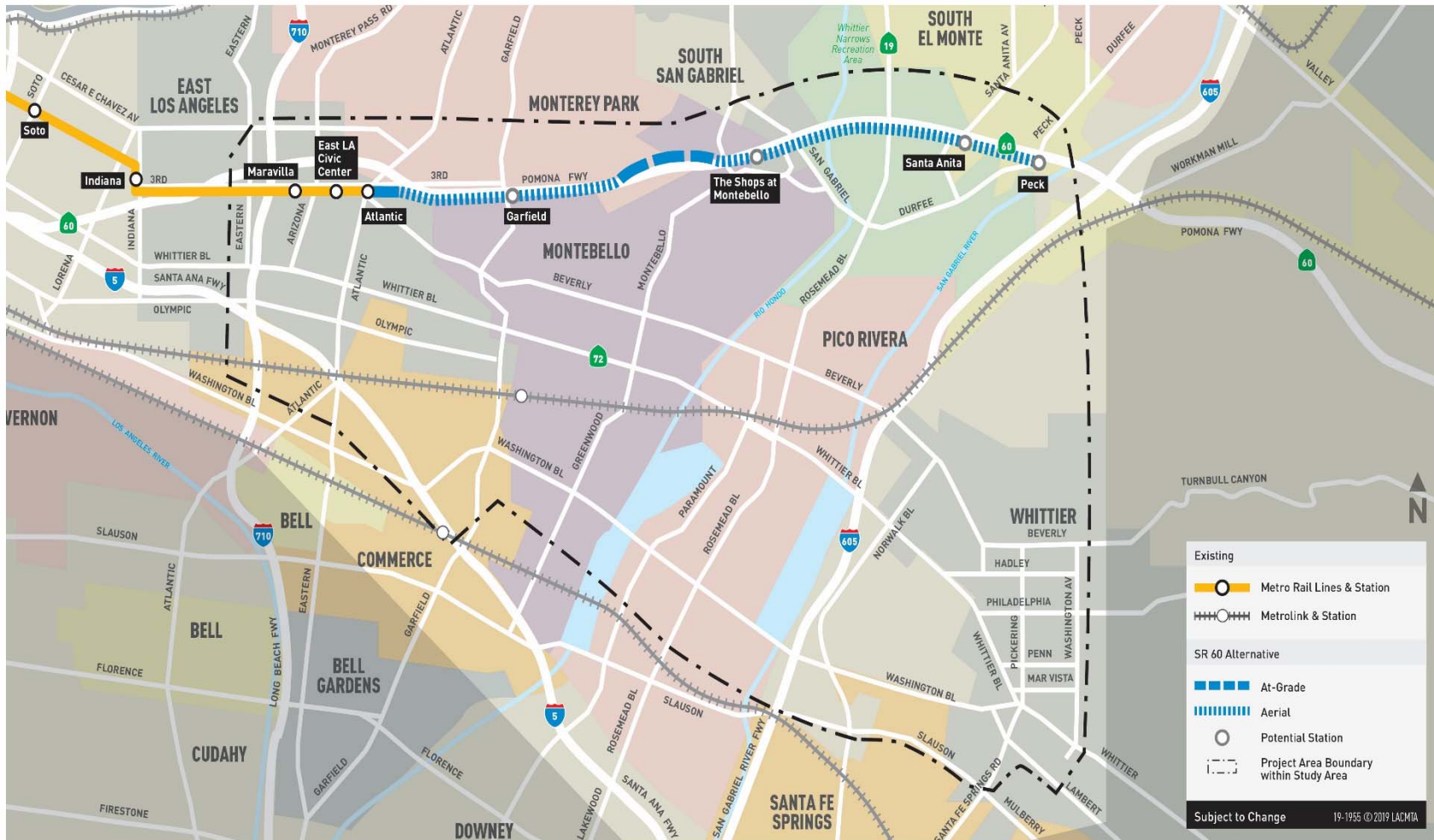


Figure 2. Washington Alternative

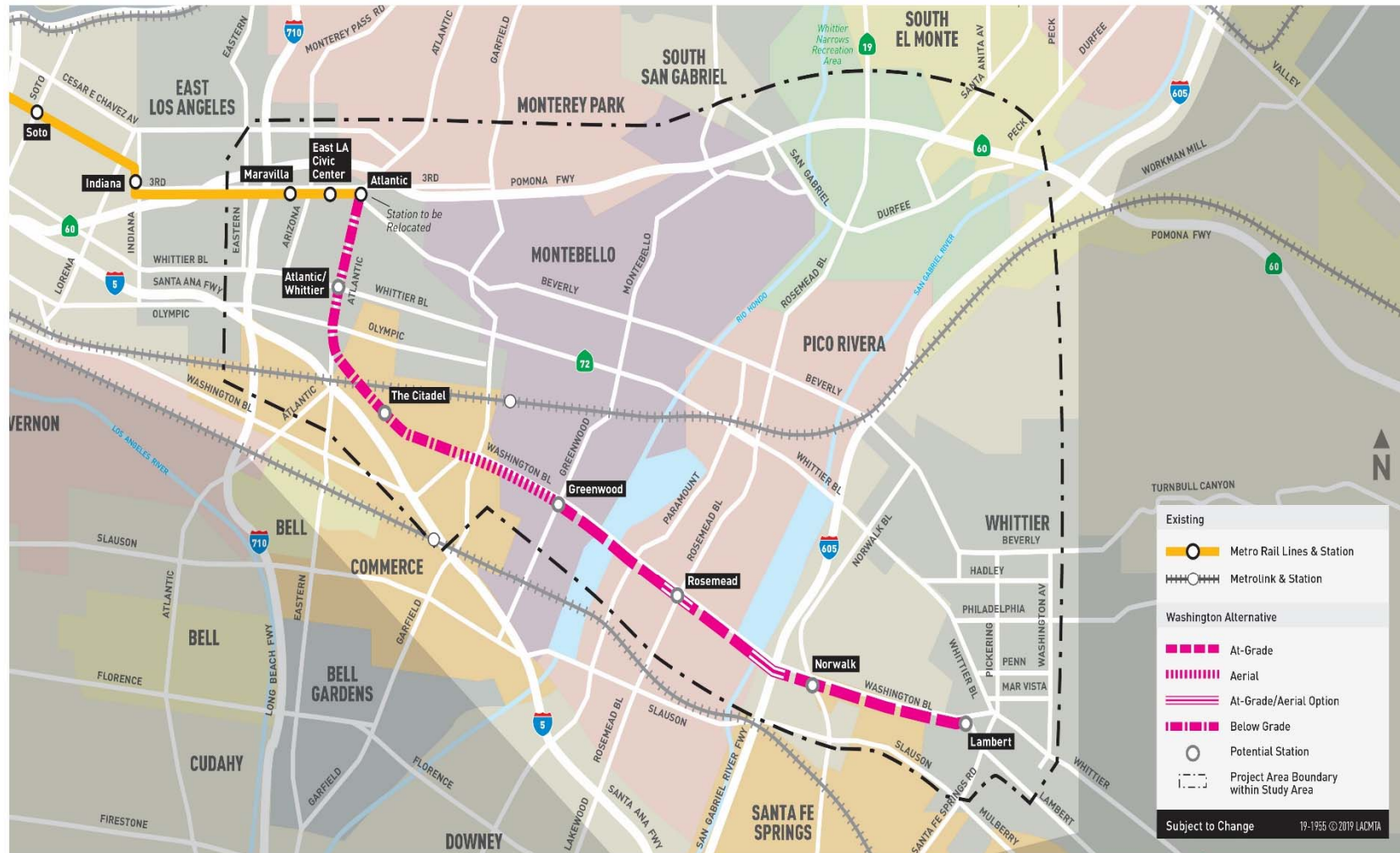
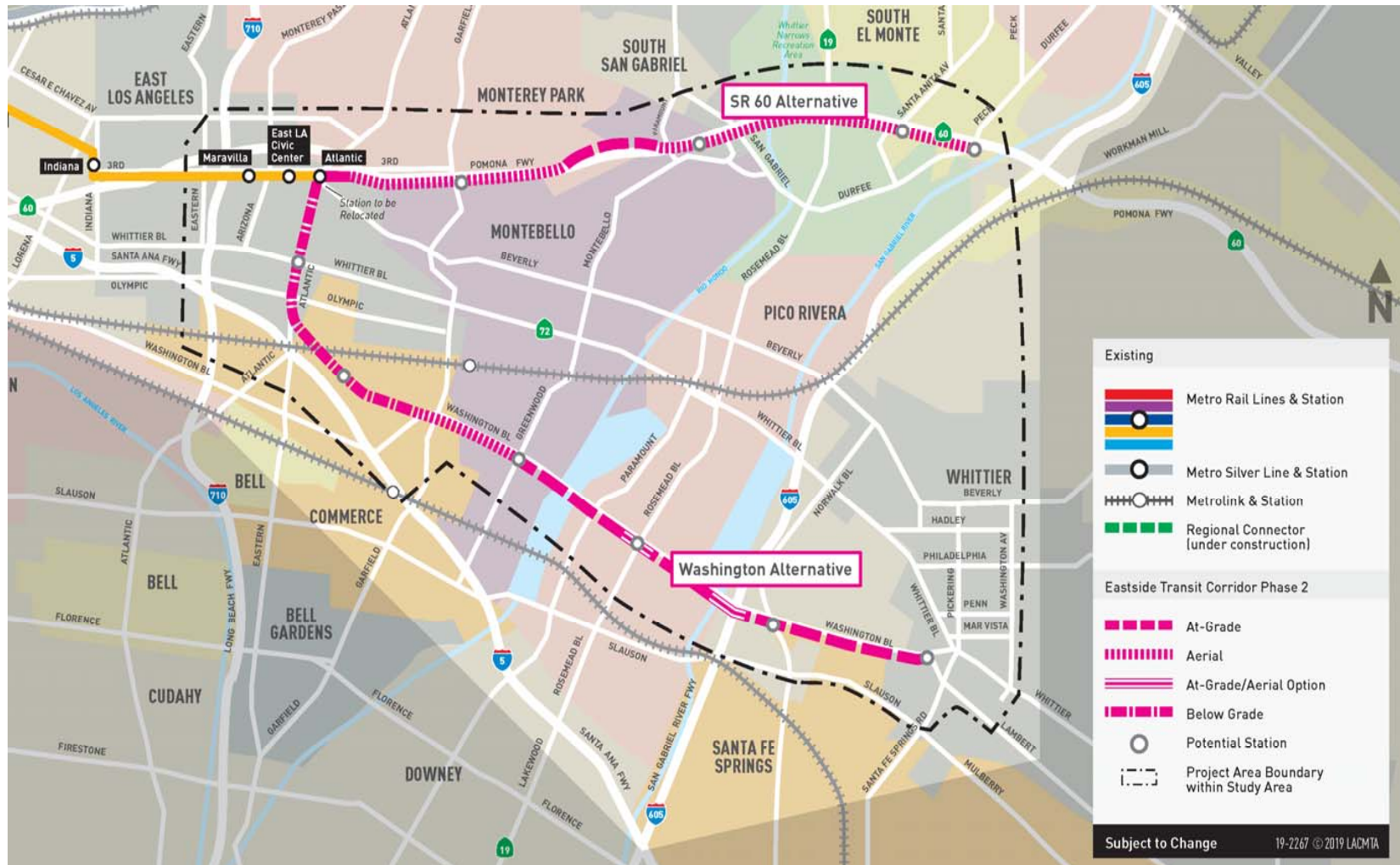


Figure 3. Combined Alternative



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## 2.0 PROJECT PROCESS

As part of the Draft EIS/EIR process, the NOI was previously published in the Federal Register on January 25, 2010 and the Notice of Preparation (NOP) was filed with the State Clearinghouse on January 28, 2010. The 2014 Draft EIS/EIR was subsequently completed and released for public review in 2014; however, an LPA was not selected. Instead, the Metro Board directed staff to undertake a Post Draft EIS/EIR Technical Study. As a result, the project was refined with three build alternatives, and the Metro Board authorized reinitiating the environmental review process to assess the benefits and impacts of these alternatives. The Supplement/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR will update the 2014 Draft EIS/EIR.

In accordance with federal and state regulations, Metro, in cooperation with FTA, will take the following steps to complete the updated joint NEPA/CEQA environmental document for the project:

- Publish the Supplemental NOI in the Federal Register
- Complete the Recirculated NOP as required by CEQA and forward the NOP to the California State Clearinghouse for distribution
- Complete project scoping to ascertain the scope of the EIS/EIR, project purpose and need, and range of alternatives considered, and identify potential impacts and potential mitigation measures to be addressed in the environmental document
- Prepare a Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR
- Complete a public review and comment period for the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR
- Adopt an LPA
- Obtain approval from FTA to enter Preliminary Engineering
- Prepare a Final EIS/EIR
- Obtain Metro Board certification of the Final EIS/EIR, the approval of the project, and NOD
- Obtain a ROD from the FTA

Table 2.1 shows the schedule for these project milestones. Accordingly, the NOI was republished in the Federal Register on May 29, 2019. An agency scoping meeting was held on June 10, 2019 and six public scoping meetings were held between June 13 and 26, 2019.

Agency and public coordination will proceed on an as needed basis until the release of the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR anticipated to occur in the Summer 2021. Upon the release of the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR, a public and agency comment period will begin, and one or more public hearings will be held.

Final environmental clearance is anticipated to occur between Fall 2021 and Fall 2023. This will consist of responding to comments received on the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR; preparing and circulating the Final EIS/EIR; Metro certifying the Final EIR; and FTA issuing a ROD.

<b>Table 2.1. Project Milestone Schedule</b>	
<b>Milestones</b>	<b>Dates</b>
• Supplemental NOI/Recirculated NOP	May 29, 2019
• Scoping Period <sup>(1)</sup>	Summer 2019 (May 29 to Jul. 15)
• Circulate Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR for Public Comments	Summer 2021
• Public Hearings	Summer 2021
• Metro Board Selection of LPA	Fall 2021
• Final EIS/EIR Circulation	Summer 2023
• Metro Board Certifies Final EIR	Fall 2023
• FTA Issues ROD	Fall 2023

Note:

(1) Metro Board approval for “Updated Project Definition” may be requested, pending the public comments received during the scoping period and results of special



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## 3.0 AGENCY PARTICIPATION

As the project co-leads, the FTA and Metro are responsible for preparing the EIS/EIR. In accordance with FAST Act, Section 1304, Metro is required to identify and involve Federal, State, regional, and local agencies in the development of the project. Agency coordination will occur on an on-going basis throughout the project development process, with opportunities for public and agency participation occurring at several different stages of the EIS/EIR process, including the following major coordination points:

- Developing the scope of the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR, including the purpose and need, issues to be addressed, range of alternatives, methodologies to be used to evaluate potential effects, and the significance criteria
- Reviewing and commenting on the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR during the public review period, which includes public hearing(s) that will be held to receive comments
- Commenting on the selection of the LPA
- Notification of the completion of the Final EIS/EIR
- Completion of permits, licenses, and approvals following the NOD and ROD

### 3.1 Lead Agencies

Lead agencies must perform the functions that they have traditionally performed in preparing an EIS in accordance with 23 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 771 and 40 CFR parts 1500-1508. In addition, the lead agencies now must identify and involve participating agencies; develop coordination plans; provide opportunities for public and participating agency involvement in defining the purpose and need and determining the range of alternatives; and collaborate with participating agencies in determining methodologies and the level of detail for the analysis of the alternatives. The lead agencies are essentially responsible for preparing the environmental review documentation. In addition, the lead agencies must provide increased oversight and involvement in managing the environmental review process and resolving issues. For this project, there are two lead agencies: FTA and Metro.

#### 3.1.1 Federal Transit Administration

FTA is a co-lead agency for the project and the federal lead agency for the NEPA process. As a co-lead agency, the agency's responsibilities include the following:

- Ensure that the EIS is completed in accordance with regulations implementing NEPA and provisions of the FAST Act and any applicable federal law;

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- Provide oversight in managing the process and resolving issues;
  - Facilitate the timely and adequate delivery of the environmental review process;
  - Be responsible for the content of the EIS, furnish guidance, independently evaluate and approve document, and ensure that project sponsors comply with mitigation commitments;
  - Make the decision regarding purpose and need used in the NEPA evaluation and range of alternatives to be evaluated in the NEPA document in consultation with the joint lead agency and after consideration of input from the public and participating agencies;
  - Accept the identification of the Preferred Alternative;
  - Decide, in consultation with the joint lead agency, whether to develop the Preferred Alternative to a higher level of detail; and
  - Provide notification of the completion of the Final EIS/EIR.

### **3.1.2 Metro**

Metro is a co-lead agency for the project and the state lead agency for the CEQA process. As a co-lead agency, the agency's responsibilities include the following:

- Coordinate agency and public participation during the process;
- Develop the scope of the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR, including issues to be addressed, methodologies to be used to evaluate potential effects and the significance criteria;
- Within the parameters of the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR, prepare an environmental document that assesses the impacts of the alternatives to be evaluated;
- Select the LPA, with approval by the Metro board; and
- Complete permits, licenses, and approvals following the ROD and NOD.

And in conjunction with FTA, include the following responsibilities:

- Identify and involve participating agencies;
- Develop coordination plans;

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- Provide information that will serve as a basis for public and participating agency input on key decisions that will be made by FTA and Metro;
  - Provide opportunities for public and participating agency involvement in defining the purpose and need and determining the range of alternatives; and
  - Collaborate with participating agencies in determining methodologies and the level of detail for the analysis of alternatives.

Additionally, as the state lead agency for the CEQA compliance process, the agency's additional responsibilities include:

- Ensure that the EIR required under CEQA is completed in accordance with applicable state law;
- Provide oversight in managing the process and resolving issues;
- Facilitate the timely and adequate delivery of the environmental review process;
- Be responsible for the content of the EIR, furnish guidance, independently evaluate and approve document, and ensure that mitigation commitments are carried out;
- Make the decision regarding purpose and need used in the CEQA evaluation and range of alternatives to be evaluated in the CEQA document in consultation with the joint lead agency and after consideration of input from the public and participating agencies; and
- Make proper notification of the completion of the Final EIS/EIR.

### 3.2 Cooperating Agencies

As identified in the Council of Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations for the implementation of NEPA (40 CFR §1501.6), cooperating agencies are those government and regulatory agencies with jurisdiction, by law or special expertise, with respect to any environmental impact or resource involved in the proposed project. A State or local agency of similar qualifications may, by agreement with the lead agencies, also become a cooperating agency. The cooperating agencies are by definition participating agencies as well, and while the roles and responsibilities of both are similar, the cooperating agencies have a slightly greater degree of authority, responsibility, and involvement in the environmental review process. During the scoping period for the 2014 Draft EIS/EIR, three agencies affirmatively accepted to become a cooperating agency for the project—California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), as delegated by the Federal Highway Authority (FHWA) under Section 6002 of SAFETEA-LU, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), and USEPA.

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### 3.3 Participating Agencies

Participating agencies can be Federal, State, tribal, regional, and local government agencies that have an interest in the project and have agreed to participate in the NEPA and CEQA scoping processes. Participating agencies play a critical role in defining the project and identifying issues of concern in areas such as purpose and need, range of alternatives, and methodologies to be used to evaluate the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR alternatives. The responsibilities of the participating agencies include, but are not limited, to:

- Provide meaningful and timely input on the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 project as well as unresolved issues;
- Participate in the NEPA/CEQA scoping process starting at the earliest possible time, especially with regard to the development of the purpose and need statement, range of alternatives, methodologies, and the level of detail for the analysis of alternatives;
- Identify, as early as practicable, any issues of concern regarding the project's potential environmental or socioeconomic impacts or any issues that could substantially delay or prevent an agency from granting a permit or other approval needed for the project;
- Work cooperatively with Metro to resolve any issues regarding how the impacts of the alternatives on various resources will be assessed;
- Provide input on how the performance of alternatives will be evaluated or how the impacts of alternatives on various resources will be assessed; and
- Provide written comment within 15 days of the receipt of information and request for comment at each of the NEPA/CEQA milestones delineated in Section 3.5, with the exception of review of the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR document—in that case, NEPA/CEQA time limits apply or in cases where specific permits have other time limits.

Accepting the designation as a participating agency does not indicate project support nor does it provide the agency with increased oversight or approval authority beyond its statutory limits, if applicable.

During the 2014 Draft EIS/EIR process, Metro, in coordination with FTA, prepared and mailed participating agency invitation letters to approximately 177 agency representatives. A total of 24 agencies affirmatively accepted to become a participating agency for the project. Outreach efforts to agencies affiliated with the project during the scoping and preparation of the 2014 Draft EIS/EIR included agency scoping meetings, participation in the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), and 37 individual agency coordination meetings with USEPA, USACE, Caltrans, Southern California Edison (SCE), and Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR).

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Agencies involved during the AA and 2014 Draft EIS/EIR phases were re-invited to participate in the scoping process of the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR, as listed in Appendix A. If you know of any agency not included on the list that you believe should be invited, please contact Metro. In accordance with FAST Act Section 1304 requirements, Metro, in coordination with the FTA, prepared and mailed updated participating agency invitation letters to 103 agencies with a potential interest in the project in May 2019.

### 3.4 Agency Coordination Objectives

The primary objectives of Metro, related to the involvement of these and other agencies throughout the project development process, are to:

- Ensure the open and timely exchange of information, ideas, and concerns between the participating agencies, the FTA, and Metro, throughout the project development process;
- Ensure the appropriate integration of the project into the communities through which it operates; and
- Avoid substantial design changes during the future permitting process by identifying and addressing the permitting requirements of individual agencies during conceptual and preliminary engineering, as practicable.

### 3.5 Agency Coordination Structure

Agency coordination will occur on an on-going basis throughout the project development process, with opportunities for agency participation occurring at several different stages of the EIS/EIR process, including the following major decision points:

- Developing the scope of the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR, including the purpose and need, issues to be addressed, range of alternatives, methodologies to be used to evaluate potential effects, and the significance criteria;
- Reviewing and commenting on the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR during the public review period, which includes public hearing(s) that will be held to receive comments;
- Notification of the completion of the Final EIS/EIR; and
- Completion of permits, licenses, and approvals following the NOD and ROD.

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### 3.5.1 Early Coordination

Agency participation and coordination began in November 2007 during the first phase of the project, which included the preparation of the AA Report. A Notice of Early Scoping was published in the Federal Register on November 1, 2007. Open house and focus group meetings also updated area City Councils, stakeholders, and the public about the project's status and informed about the alignments under consideration.

In addition to technical analysis as part of the AA, this effort included a comprehensive public participation program designed to support the ongoing technical work, ensuring that cities in the Project Study Area (PSA), stakeholders and interested parties were well informed of the results of the Metro Board approved AA Study. As part of this effort, an eight-month outreach action plan was developed to engage all affected and interested parties and facilitate discussions. The eight-month outreach action plan efforts included public involvement and project briefings. Public involvement included community open houses, council meeting updates and a series of focus groups. In addition to the meetings held as part of public involvement, ongoing briefings were held with elected officials, city staff, institutional groups, regulatory agencies and selected key stakeholders to keep them apprised of the latest project developments and findings.

### 3.5.2 Coordination Subsequent to NOI/NOP Re-issuance

The Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR process was reinitiated by publishing a NOP to the State Clearinghouse for distribution to certain state and regional agencies and posting the NOP at the Los Angeles County Clerk Office on May 31, 2019 and publishing the NOI in the Federal Register on May 29, 2019. In addition, Metro mailed the participating agency update letters and the NOI to 18 Federal, 36 State, 7 regional, and 42 local agencies (which includes Native American tribes) to ensure their awareness of the updated project and invite scoping comments.

An inter-agency scoping meeting was held on June 10, 2019 to discuss the issues previously mentioned and to obtain input. Input was provided orally at the meeting or in writing by the due date stated in the NOI. Each agency's intention to accept or decline the invitation to become a participating agency is due at the end of the scoping period as stated in the invitation letter.

After considering all stakeholder input received during the scoping process, the lead agencies will further define the project's purpose and need. Compliant with existing guidance issued by the Council on Environmental Quality, other Federal agencies should afford substantial deference to the FTA's articulation of the purpose and need for a transportation action.

Continual coordination with participating agencies and the public creates an opportunity to provide input and guidance on the scope of the environmental document, methods used in the environmental analysis, purpose and need, and the alternatives to be analyzed in the

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Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR. Coordination will also be undertaken with individual agencies and appropriate Metro staff and consultants as needed throughout project development, with the intent to determine and resolve specific concerns as they arise and discuss suggestions or gather necessary data from the participating agencies. Subsequent meetings may be scheduled, as needed, to ensure that the appropriate level of coordination and communication with the agencies is attained, especially as the project proceeds. In addition, this direct coordination process will support the documentation of official communications and any agreements between Metro and these agencies.

### **3.5.3 Coordination of Review and Comment on the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR**

Participating agencies will receive an NOA of the Supplemental Draft EIS and Notice of Completion and Availability of the Recirculated Draft EIR. They will be invited to attend the public hearings on the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR and to review and comment on the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR.

### **3.5.4 Coordination Subsequent to Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR and Prior to the ROD**

The participating agencies will receive an NOA of the Final EIS/EIR and will be invited to attend a public hearing conducted by Metro Board pursuant to CEQA on the Final EIS/EIR and project approval actions. All participating agencies will receive notification of the issuance of the ROD.

### **3.5.5 Coordination Subsequent to the ROD**

Agencies with permitting authority will continue to be consulted throughout the permit application and development process. Permit applications will be submitted and data developed to support needs identified by the permitting agencies.

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## 4.0 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN

The Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR phase of the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 project will involve an extensive and inclusive community outreach process that builds upon and enhances the public engagement efforts developed and implemented during the AA and 2014 Draft EIS/EIR process of the project. This PPP includes outreach not only to East Los Angeles County stakeholders, but also to current and potential light rail riders, representing a wider population of transit users in Los Angeles County. This effort will re-engage targeted stakeholder outreach efforts begun during previous phases of the project while, at the same time, identify and involve potential new interested stakeholders who may now, more than before, have a special interest in this project. This plan builds upon Metro's experience with the AA and 2014 Draft EIS/EIR process, including lessons learned and identification of potential opportunity areas as well as Metro's best practices in public outreach.

### 4.1 Compliance with Federal Requirements

SAFETEA-LU was subsequently succeeded by Map-21 by Congress in 2012. The current transportation legislation is the FAST Act, which continues the strong federal emphasis on public participation, requiring that the public participation plans of metropolitan planning processes "be developed in consultation with all interested parties and...provide that all interested parties have reasonable opportunities to comment on the contents of the transportation plan." The FAST Act's broad definition of participation by "interested parties" includes as its partners, groups and individuals who are affected by or involved with transportation in the appropriate county and the surrounding region. Examples stated include citizens, affected public agencies, representatives of public transportation employees, private providers of transportation, representatives of users of public transportation, representatives of users of pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities, representatives of the disabled, and other interested parties with a reasonable opportunity to comment on the transportation plan.

As outlined in the Fast Act, methods to accommodate these goals, to the maximum extent possible, include:

- Holding any public meetings at convenient and accessible locations and times;
- Employing visualization techniques to describe plans;
- Making public information available in electronically accessible formats and means, such as the internet, as appropriate, to afford reasonable opportunity for consideration of public information; and



- Coordinating local public participation/involvement processes with statewide public involvement processes wherever possible to enhance public consideration of the issues, plans, and programs, and reduce redundancies and costs.

The FAST Act also requires that public meetings be held at convenient and accessible times and locations and documents be written in easy, understandable language utilizing visual components. The PPP was developed cognizant of compliance with the FAST Act.

## 4.2 Goals and Objectives of the Public Participation Process

The PPP for the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 project provides an efficient, proactive and comprehensive guide to community outreach efforts throughout the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR/ACE phase of this project. This plan builds on the foundation of the public engagement effort developed during the AA. The public involvement and consensus building effort for this project has several goals and objectives; it will:

- Utilize an inclusive outreach strategy that maximizes input from a broad range of project stakeholders;
- Provide forums for residents, businesses and community leaders to participate in the planning;
- Create multiple opportunities for the generation of ideas, comments and possible mitigation measures; and
- Establish a forum for educating stakeholders on a regular basis as the project evolves.

The PPP is in compliance with the public participation requirements of NEPA, CEQA and the FTA New Starts program. The intent of the public involvement process is to work cooperatively with the community toward the development of a preferred alternative that meets the purpose and need of the project.

Issues to be addressed during the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR outreach process for the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 project might include further development and refinement of the alternatives, locations of the stations, bus/rail interface and other transit issues, urban design, land use, neighborhood and community impacts, environmental impacts, and potential mitigation measures.

The public participation process will continue through the Final EIS/EIR process, and the PPP will be updated at a later date to reflect community outreach efforts that will occur during that phase.

## 4.3 Description of Public Participation/Involvement Activities

### 4.3.1 Activities Overview

A series of community update meetings and formal public hearings will be held at the key milestones shown in Table 4.1. In addition, the project team will continue to meet with individual stakeholder groups. The public engagement effort will continue throughout the study as urban design proceeds and targeted stakeholders are involved in the planning process.

**Table 4.1. Agency Coordination and Public Participation Process**

Activity	Date	Participants
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early Scoping Meetings</li> <li>• Community workshops</li> <li>• Technical Advisory Committee meetings</li> </ul>	Spring 2009	Public and participating agencies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NOI/NOP</li> <li>• Interagency and Public Scoping Meetings—initiation of the NEPA/CEQA process</li> <li>• Scoping input on purpose and need, alternatives to be considered and issues to be addressed in 2014 Draft EIS/EIR</li> </ul>	Spring 2010 (February 18 to April 14)	Public, cooperating and participating agencies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public Review of 2014 Draft EIS/EIR</li> <li>• Public Hearings</li> </ul>	Summer 2014 to Fall 2014	Public, cooperating and participating agencies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Open Houses</li> <li>• City Council Meetings</li> <li>• Focus Group Meetings</li> </ul>	Spring 2019	Public and participating agencies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Metro Board Meeting</li> <li>• Supplemental NOI/Recirculated NOP</li> <li>• Agency and Public Scoping Meetings—at re-initiation of the NEPA/CEQA process</li> <li>• Scoping input on purpose and need, alternatives to be considered and issues to be addressed in Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR</li> </ul>	Summer 2019 (May 29 to July 15)	Public, cooperating and participating agencies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Urban Design Meetings—between scoping and Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR circulation</li> </ul>	Summer 2019 to Summer 2021	Public
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Update Meetings—between scoping and Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR circulation</li> </ul>	Summer 2019 to Summer 2021	Public and participating agencies

**Table 4.1. Agency Coordination and Public Participation Process**

Activity	Date	Participants
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Circulate Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR and hold public hearings</li> </ul>	Summer 2021	Public, cooperating and participating agencies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Metro Board Meeting</li> <li>• Select LPA</li> </ul>	Fall 2021	Public, cooperating and participating agencies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Begin Preliminary Engineering</li> <li>• Prepare Final EIS/EIR—after Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR public hearings and public input received</li> <li>• Publish NOA of Final EIS/EIR</li> <li>• Circulate Final EIS/EIR</li> <li>• Prepare and Issue ROD</li> </ul>	Fall 2021 to Fall 2023	Public, cooperating and participating agencies

### 4.3.2 Stakeholder Identification and Community Profile

Metro will maintain and update the stakeholder database developed during the Alternatives Analysis to track interested individuals and groups, their areas of interest, communication, and other pertinent information for the duration of the project. Building on the database developed during the AA phase of the study, Metro will continue to provide ongoing maintenance and updates to keep the database current.

The Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR phase will include extended outreach beyond East Los Angeles County, including all jurisdictions that would potentially benefit from the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 project. There is a range of existing and potential new project stakeholders; many of these stakeholders were identified during the AA Study and 2014 Draft EIS/EIR phases of the project, and they will be further engaged during the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR process. Stakeholders for this process include, but are not limited to:

- Local, County, State and Federal Elected Officials and Tribal Governments
- Neighborhood Councils, Associations and Community Councils
- Business and Labor Associations
- Retail and Entertainment Centers/Destinations

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- Education, Cultural, Religious and Health Care Institutions along the existing and proposed alignment
  - Transit Advocacy and Environmental Groups
  - Public Agencies/Officials
  - Cities along all existing and proposed alignments

Further, building on information gathered during the AA Study, 2014 Draft EIS/EIR, and the Post Draft EIS/EIR Technical Study phases, Metro will develop a Community Profile, including an issues assessment, relevant to community participation in the study. The Community Profile will be updated to identify any new:

- Key communities and constituencies in the study area;
- Key communities and constituencies outside the study area, likely to benefit from the project;
- Issues of special interest to communities and constituencies; and
- Strategies and actions to address these communities, constituencies, and issues.

In this way Metro will be able to update and monitor the issues and priorities of the distinct communities within and of relevance to the project in and beyond the study area.

### **4.3.3 Public Scoping Meetings, Community Updates, and Public Hearings**

#### **4.3.3.1 Initial Draft EIS/EIR Scoping Meetings**

To initiate the environmental process, Metro conducted four (4) Public Scoping meetings and one (1) Agency meeting within the scoping period of the project to solicit comment and input for the 2014 Draft EIS/EIR prior to the April 14, 2010 deadline for public scoping comments. In addition, Metro participated in various city and stakeholder events to enhance the outreach effort and increase awareness of the project. Refer to Table 4.1 for an overview of public scoping meetings held for the 2014 Draft EIS/EIR.

#### **4.3.3.2 Facilitation of Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR Scoping Meetings**

Consistent with the requirements of NEPA and CEQA, Metro conducted six (6) Public Scoping meetings, one (1) Agency meeting, and briefings for local elected officials within the scoping period of the project to solicit comment and input for the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR prior to the July 15, 2019 deadline for public scoping comments. Refer to Table 4.1 for an overview of public scoping meetings held for the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR.

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The purpose of these meetings was to inform the public about changes to the project since the 2014 Draft EIS/EIR, solicit input on the purpose and need, refine alternatives to be considered and identify issues and areas of concern that will need to be addressed in the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR. These meetings were recorded by a court reporter and documented as a part of the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR planning effort.

#### **4.3.3.3 Formal Public Meeting Coordination and Facilitation**

Community update meetings will be held during the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR process and will coincide with key milestones, as shown in Table 4.1. Metro will schedule and facilitate these public meetings. These meetings will be recorded by a court reporter documenting oral comments received at each meeting, and a detailed summary of comments and meeting notes will be prepared after each round of meetings. Prior to each round of community update meetings, Metro will schedule one briefing for local elected officials. All presentation materials and meeting handouts will be posted to the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 website.

#### **4.3.3.4 Public Hearings**

Metro will hold public hearings that will be coordinated with the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR formal public comment period, consistent with CEQA, FTA, and NEPA guidelines.

At the conclusion of the public hearings, Metro will develop a written summary, which will include the information about the number of attendees, major issues and concerns raised, and recommended actions to address the issues. All written comments submitted at the public hearing and via email and US mail will be electronically scanned and included in the project documentation.

#### **4.3.4 Other Meetings**

Metro will proactively continue to coordinate with key project stakeholder groups in the area to engage them in the planning process. At the same time, Metro will respond to requests from community groups and other organizations to participate in their meetings.

#### **4.3.5 Events**

To reach out to those not active in civic issues or who do not typically attend community meetings, Metro will participate in local events such as festivals, fairs and other grassroots outreach opportunities. In addition to the events that Metro already participates in, other local opportunities to raise the project's visibility and awareness within the study area will be explored, such as farmers markets, mall or shopping center booths and other more community-focused events.

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### 4.3.6 Public Notice and Review

Public notices and meeting publicity for the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 project included:

- Placement of display advertisements two weeks prior to the scoping meetings in the Los Angeles Times, Whittier Daily News, San Gabriel Valley Tribune, El Monte Examiner, La Opinion, World Journal, etc.;
- Mail-out of scoping notice in English and Spanish approximately two weeks prior to the first scoping meeting to entire project database;
- Email notification to all in the project database two weeks prior to first meeting, as well as email reminders in advance of scoping meetings, as well as scoping comment submittal reminders throughout the 45-day comment period;
- Post scoping meeting details and materials on the Metro website ([https://www.Metro.net/projects/eastside\\_phase2/](https://www.Metro.net/projects/eastside_phase2/)) two weeks in advance of meetings;
- Update Metro Facebook page and distribute meeting invitations via Facebook;
- Placement of “Take One” meeting notices on Metro trains and buses serving the project area including the Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension, and on all eastside bus routes;
- Distribution of meeting notices at key East Los Angeles County gathering places such as retail, restaurant and social service venues within the corridor;
- Distribution of flyers at the Metro Gold Line Atlantic Station and numerous community events during the scoping comment period to promote the scoping meetings and submittal of scoping comments;
- Publicity of scoping meetings, consistent with FTA requirements; and
- Development of Project Scoping presentation materials in multimedia, easy-to-understand, and multi-language formats.

### 4.3.7 Written Materials

Metro will continue to develop text and visuals for collateral materials, specifically Mailers, Brochures, Fact Sheets, “Take Ones,” Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs), and other materials as needed, as well as a quarterly e-bulletin/newsletter. Materials will be translated, at a minimum, into Spanish and, as requested, Chinese. Metro will also develop an electronic, easy-to-read and quick-reference project e-bulletin/newsletter to be distributed on a quarterly basis.

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### 4.3.8 Website

The project website ([https://www.Metro.net/projects/eastside\\_phase2/](https://www.Metro.net/projects/eastside_phase2/)) will be regularly updated to coincide with key milestones. In addition to serving as a source for public information, the website will also serve as a way to gather information. The webpage will facilitate ongoing database additions and provide a means for the community to provide input, ask questions, receive responses, and distribute study materials. Metro will monitor web page use, track activity through the project database, and respond to inquiries within one business day.

### 4.3.9 Media

Metro takes a proactive role working with the mainstream media to publicize all community meetings and to raise awareness of the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 project. This includes the development of press releases and placement of display advertisements. This effort is complemented by outreach to grassroots, ethnic and niche print, broadcast and new media. For the Supplemental/Recirculated Draft EIS/EIR phase, Metro will outreach to wider media such as traffic reporters, as well as the Spanish and Chinese-language media.

Metro will continue to utilize “new” media such as blogs, electronic news outlets, chat rooms, discussion boards, etc. to raise awareness of its projects. Metro will continue to use other new media resources to inform and educate project stakeholders about the study. A complete record of all blogging and other electronic communications will be maintained for the project.

### 4.3.10 Tours

To help facilitate better understanding of light rail technology, configuration options and community integration, tours of the operational sections of the Metro Gold Line will be utilized. Tours of other comparable non-Metro systems may also be appropriate.

### 4.3.11 Accommodations

All public meetings will be scheduled at locations accessible by transit users and all buildings for public events will be American with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessible for wheelchairs. Information regarding bicycle lockers/storage can also be researched upon request. Interpreters (language and hearing) or other auxiliary aids will be arranged if requested at least 3 days prior to the meeting.

## 4.4 Outreach to Traditionally Underserved Groups

Federal requirements for public participation plans include a process for seeking out and considering the needs of those traditionally underserved by existing transportation systems, such as low income and/or minority groups. Metro has actively worked with organized business and community groups throughout East Los Angeles County, contacted homeless service providers in the project area to inform them of community meetings, and will continue outreach efforts to transit users. In addition, materials are translated into Spanish, and where requested, Chinese.

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## 4.5 Description of Committees Contributing to the Planning Process

### 4.5.1 Formation of Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 Working Groups

Metro will form Working Groups that will serve in an advisory capacity for planning and urban design to the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 project team. These Working Groups are intended to:

- Provide input and feedback at key decision points
- Offer ongoing guidance about the progress of the project
- Complement the overall community-driven process

### 4.6 Public Participation Measures of Effectiveness

On a periodic basis, the PPP and process will be reviewed to determine if modification of any particular strategy is necessary or if additional strategies need to be incorporated into the PPP to reach desired demographic groups.



## **APPENDIX A**

### **Agencies Invited to Be Cooperating and Participating Agencies**

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