

# Countywide Planning Monthly Major Projects

## March 2021 Monthly Update

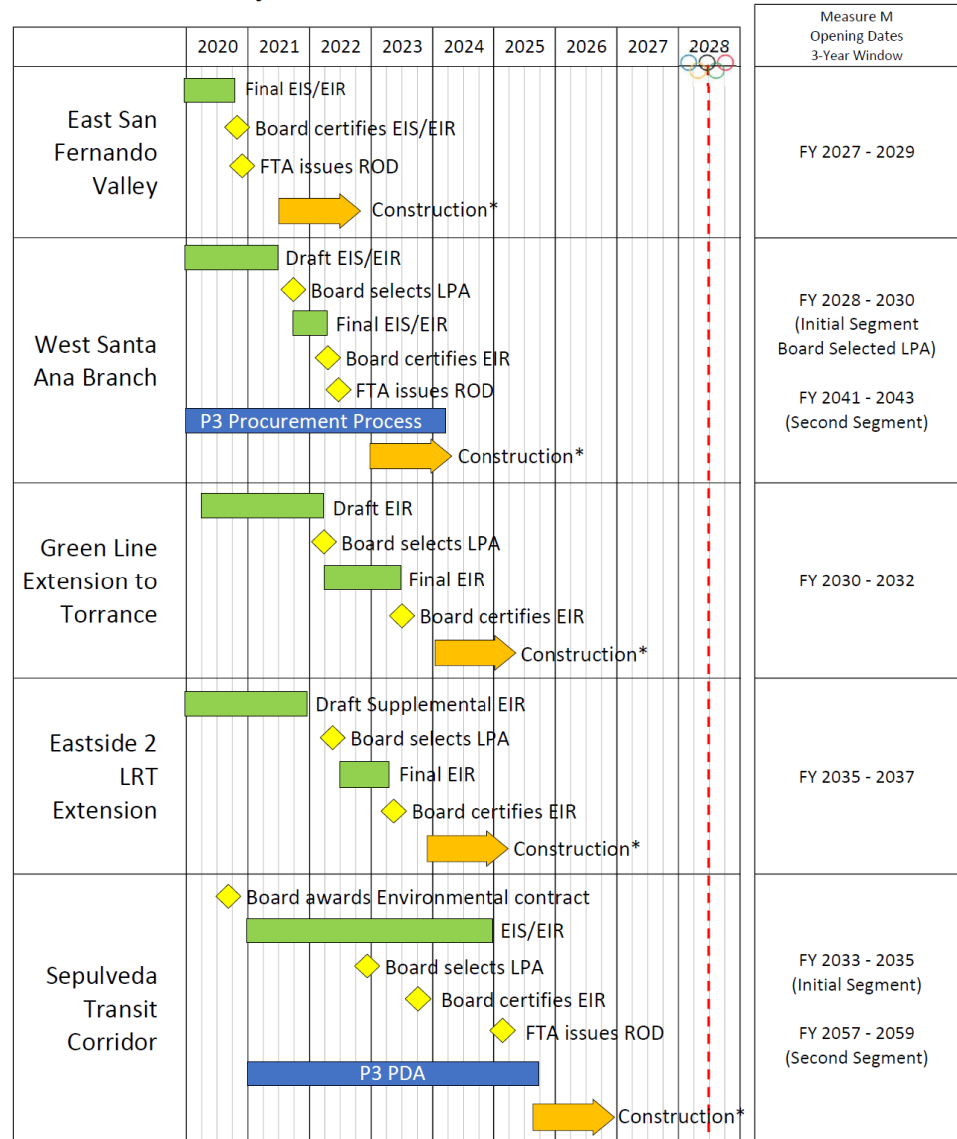
### > Monthly Status of Major Projects

- East San Fernando Valley LRT
- West Santa Ana Branch
- Green Line to Torrance
- Eastside 2 Extension
- Sepulveda Transit Corridor
- NoHo to Pasadena BRT

### > Capital Investment Grant Priorities Assessment Process



ESFV + Pillar Projects Measure M Baseline Schedules



\* Construction is inclusive of advanced utility relocation and right-of-way  
Schedules are subject to change based on funding and environmental review

# East San Fernando Valley LRT



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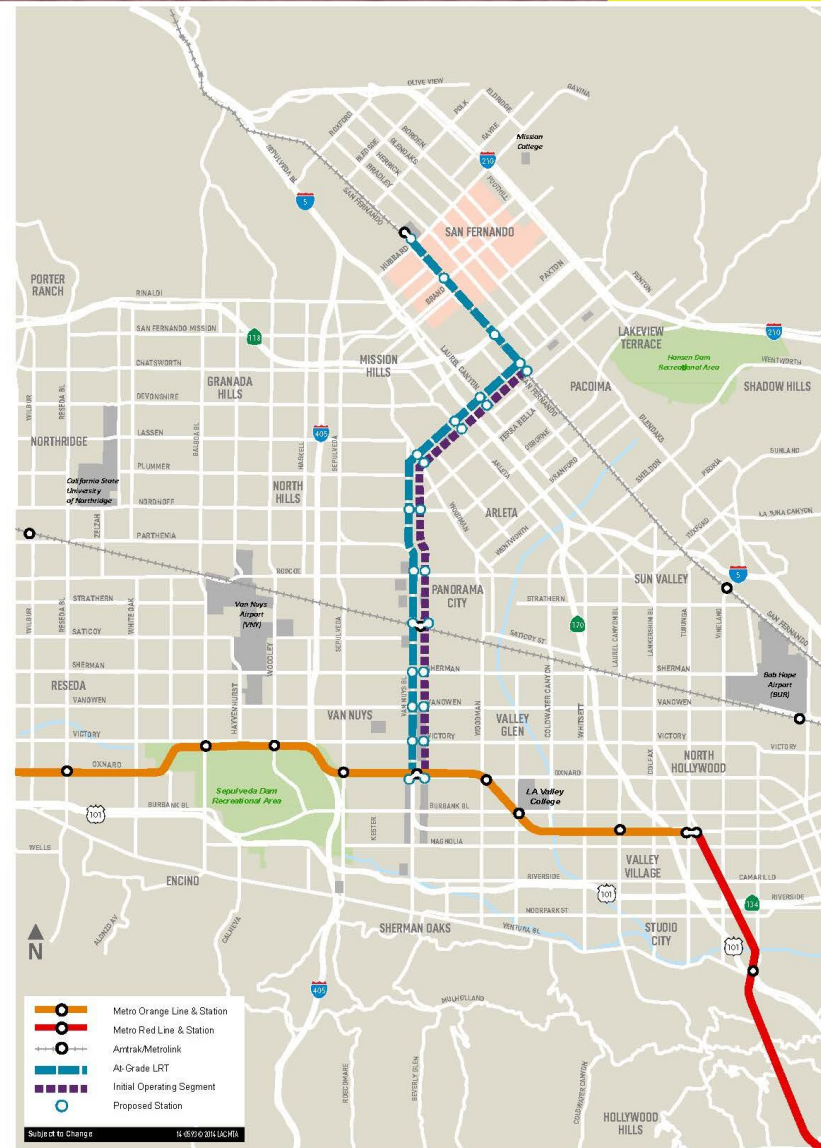
- Metro Board Certification of CEQA Final EIR on December 3, 2020
- Record of Decision for federal NEPA environmental clearance signed by FTA on January 29, 2021.

## > Key Activities

- The San Fernando Road Shared Railroad ROW study work is being initiated in coordination with City of San Fernando communities of Sylmar and Pacoima and SCRRRA. In February 2021, the Scope and Schedule for Supplemental ROW Study was presented to the Planning & Programming Committee.

## > Next Actions

- Negotiation of task order for the San Fernando Road Shared Rail Road Right of Way Study.



# West Santa Ana Branch Transit Corridor



## > Status

- Draft EIS/R
  - Second Admin Draft FTA Review: March 19, 2020
  - Anticipated Draft Release: June 2021
  - Anticipated LPA Selection: Sept 2021

## > Key Activities

- Working sessions with FTA & Metro Legal to address first round of Admin Draft comments

## > Next Actions

- Present updated project cost estimates and funding strategy in April
- Early key stakeholder meetings before release of Draft EIS/EIR to outline review and comment process



# Green Line Extension to Torrance

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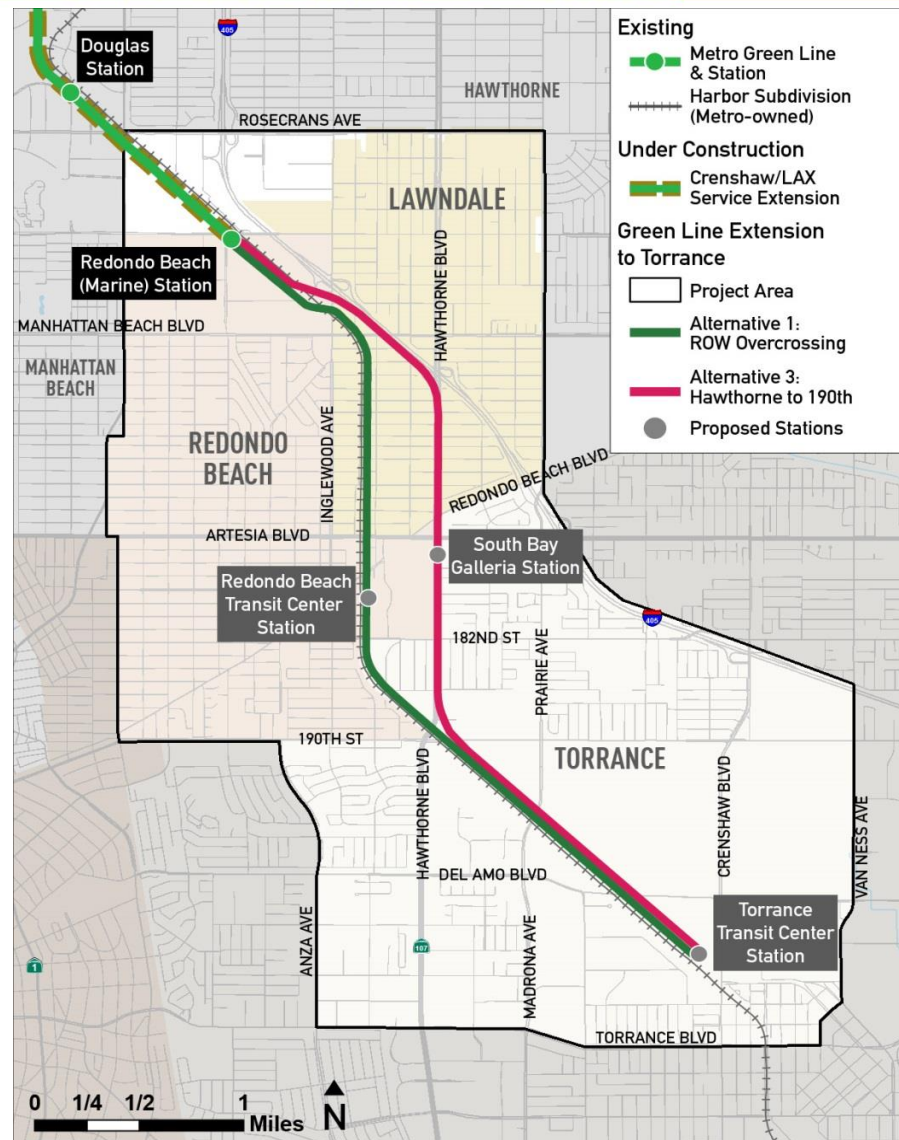
- Draft EIR + Advanced Conceptual Engineering tasks are proceeding (15% design)

## > Key Activities

- Coordination with BNSF on shared track segments
- Engineering analysis of Hawthorne versus ROW technical issues
- Environmental background documentation
- Environmental Scoping Comment Period conducted on January 29 – March 15
- Virtual Scoping Meetings on February 23 (Agency), 24 and 27
- Monthly Board Staff Briefing on March 12

## > Next Actions

- Targeted Outreach to Stakeholders
  - City staff
  - South Bay COG
  - Neighborhood associations
  - Other stakeholders
- Recording and documentation of scoping comments is proceeding.



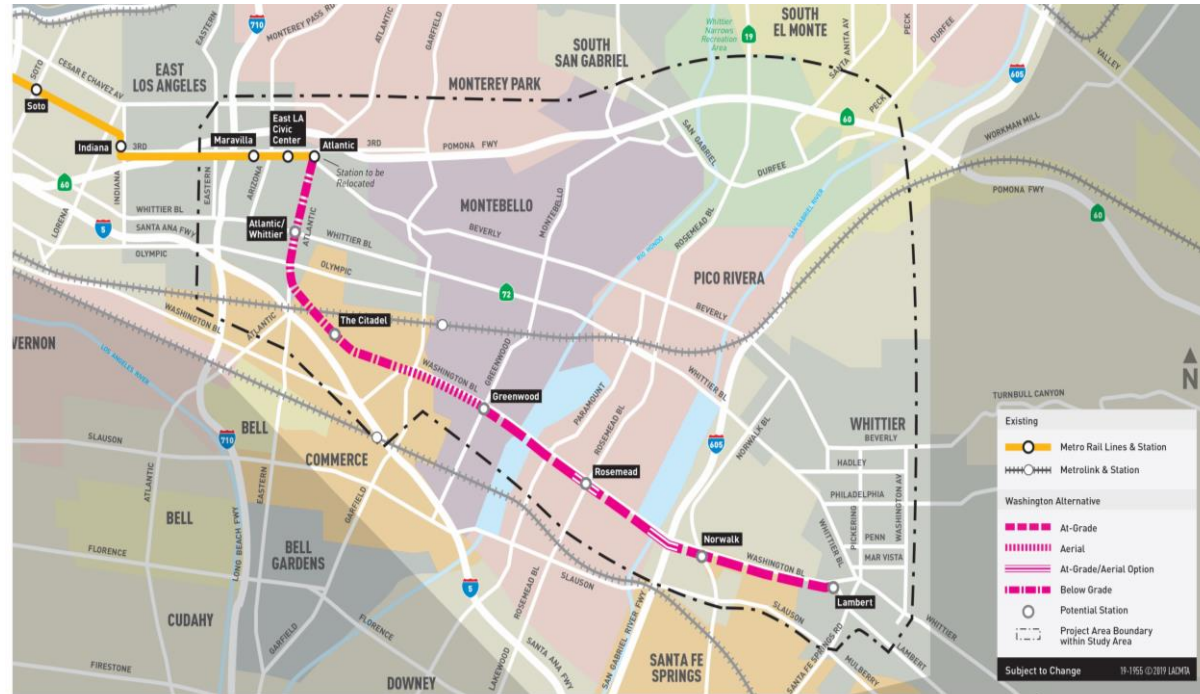
# Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2

## > Status

- Systems Engineering and Advanced Conceptual Engineering (ACE) are in progress

## > Key Activities

- Contract Modifications were executed for environmental and engineering design
- Project team completed all reviews of the Draft ACE with the following corridor cities:
  - City of Whittier (November 18)
  - City of Pico Rivera (December 15)
  - City of Santa Fe Springs (December 21)
  - City of Commerce (January 20)
  - City of Montebello (February 11)
- Developing a Community Based Organization approach in collaboration with Race and Equity, Community Relations and Board Staff



## > Next Actions

- Finalize Community Based Organization strategy approach
- Refine the Draft Advanced Conceptual Engineering based on comments and evaluate cost saving opportunities along the alignment
- Proceed with a CEQA environmental analysis

# Sepulveda Transit Corridor

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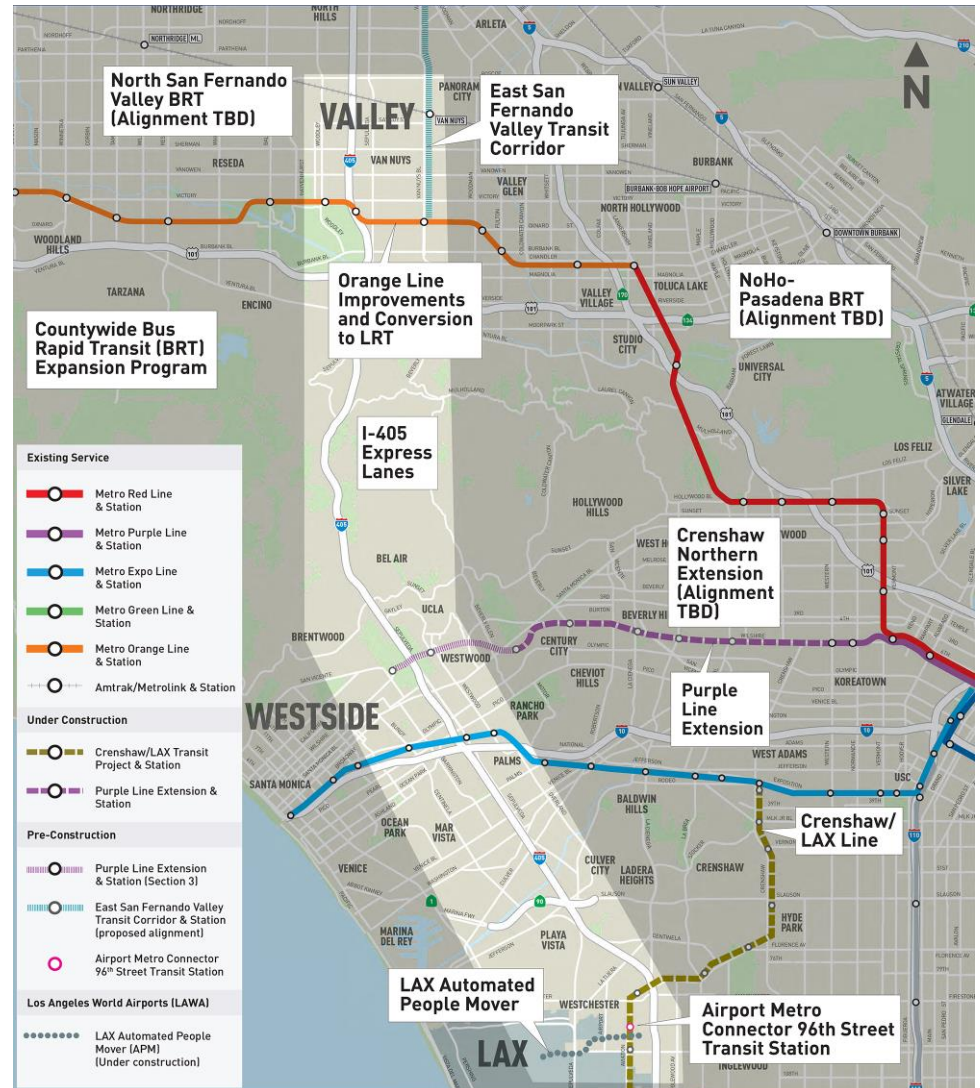
- Environmental contract authorized at August 2020 Board Meeting
- Public outreach contract authorized at December 2020 Board Meeting
- Award of PDA contracts expected at March 2021 Board Meeting

## > Key Activities

- Board and public review of proposed PDA proposals and contract awards.

## > Next Actions

- Initiation of environmental scoping process. Environmental review process to be presented to the Board in April.
- Public scoping meetings in fall 2021.



# NoHo to Pasadena BRT



## > Status

- Draft EIR Public Review Period recently ended (October 26 – December 28, 2020)

## > Key Activities

- Summary of public comments/responses underway (nearly 500 comments received)
- March 2021 – Conduct additional stakeholder/community outreach in response to comments received from Eagle Rock (“Beautiful Boulevard”) and City of Burbank

## > Next Actions

- April 2021 – Staff response to December Board motion on optional left-side boarding vehicles
- May 2021 – Metro Board review of recommended Proposed Project

# Metro's New Starts Grants Strategy Development Schedule

## **Board Staff Workshops**

- December 14, 2020 – Workshop #1
- February 4, 2021 – Workshop #2
- March 3, 2021 – Workshop #3

## **Metro Board Action – April 2021**

- New Starts priorities and strategies (CIG & EPD)
- FTA engagement and legislative strategy