



# Next stop: exploring alternatives to the 405.

## SEPULVEDA TRANSIT CORRIDOR PROJECT

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# Recommendation

**AUTHORIZE** the Chief Executive Officer to execute Modification No. 4 to Contract No. AE67085000, Sepulveda Transit Corridor Environmental Review and Conceptual Engineering, with HTA Partners (HTA), a joint venture between HNTB Corporation, Terry A. Hayes Associates Inc., and AECOM Technical Services, Inc., in the amount of \$4,108,638.43 for additional technical services to support the environmental phase for all six alternatives and the refinement of the Alternative 6 design, increasing the total contract value from \$54,592,930 to \$58,701,568.43.

# Project Overview

- > The original contract for environmental and design services for HTA Partners was awarded in 2020
- > There are six alternatives under consideration for the project: three monorail alternatives and three heavy rail alternatives
- > The project is currently in the environmental phase, preparing a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)



# Contract Modification #4

- > The following additional technical services are needed to support the environmental phase for all six alternatives:
  - **Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study (Alternatives 1-6):** At the request of, and in collaboration with, the Federal Transit Administration, the PEL study will engage federal agencies during CEQA to identify potential issues of concern that would be studied further during NEPA.
  - **Project Study Report-Project Development Support (PSR-PDS) Project Initiation Document (PID) (Alternatives 1-6):** Caltrans requested that Metro prepare a PSR-PDS PID for the Project, including a Preliminary Environmental Analysis Report (PEAR). HTA is contributing materials for Alternative 6 to the PSR-PDS and preparing the PEAR for Alternatives 1-6.

# Contract Modification #4 (continued)

- > The following additional technical services are needed to support the refinement of the Alternative 6 design:
  - **Load Flow Analyses (Alternative 6):** Load flow analyses are required to determine the provision of traction power substations (TPSS) for the project. During late 2022, Program Management requested that scope for load flow analyses for Alternative 6 be added to the environmental contract performed by HTA.
  - **Santa Monica Boulevard Station Design (Alternative 6):** The viability of a previous station location has changed, and as a result, the station location must be moved. Changes include horizontal and vertical route alignment, station alignment, and the location of cross passages.

# Next Steps

- > Continue technical analysis for CEQA environmental review
- > Continue Caltrans coordination
- > Continue PEL coordination
- > Continue to keep stakeholders informed of the environmental review process and provide opportunities for community engagement

