

An illustration of a Metro Rail train stopped at a station. The train is yellow and black with 'Metro Rail' and 'Go Metro' written on it. In the background, there is a modern building with a red awning, palm trees, and people walking and riding a bicycle. A large yellow tree trunk is on the left side of the image.

Next stop: further east.

EASTSIDE TRANSIT CORRIDOR PHASE 2



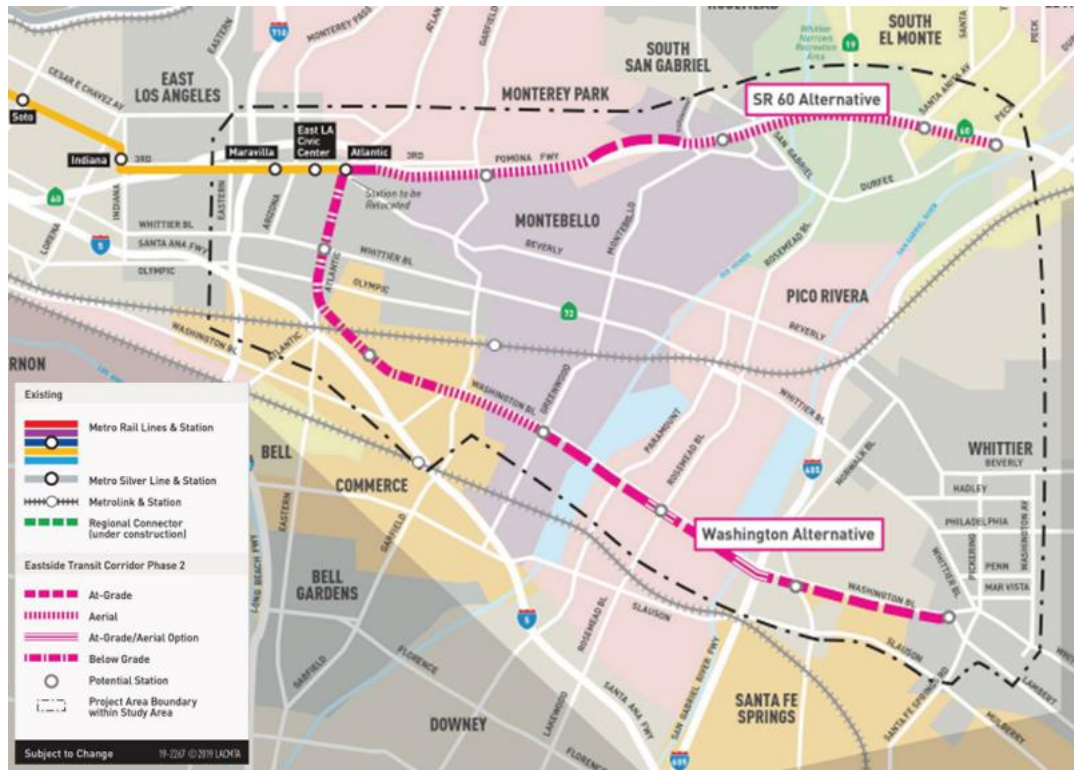
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Recommendations

Consider:

- Proceeding with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) only for the project's environmental process;
- Withdrawing the SR 60 and Combined Alternatives from further consideration in the environmental study;
- Preparing a feasibility study independent from the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 project to evaluate other options that better serve the needs of the San Gabriel Valley; and
- Approving the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 Title VI Service Equity Analysis

Project Overview



- One of the four pillar projects identified to be in operations by 2028
- Identifying funding strategies for acceleration
- Cycle 1 in Measure M Expenditure Plan identifies funding for one alignment
- CEQA only will streamline the environmental analysis

SR 60 and Combined Alternatives Issues and Constraints

Federal Agency Impacts

- Superfund site
- Army Corps of Engineers

Caltrans Impacts

- Widening outside of ROW required
- Impacts to sensitive land uses
- Southern California Edison transmission lines

Maintenance Storage Facility Site

- Not an acceptable site

Adopted Metro Policies

- Less compatible with Metro adopted policies

Reasons for Making the Decision Now

- Washington Alternative is a viable alternative with fewer environmental and engineering impacts
- Both short and long terms solutions are needed for Cities along SR 60 Alternative, therefore, feasibility Study is recommended to commence

Title VI Service Equity Analysis

- Title VI Service Equity Analysis is required
- Assessed the demographic characteristics of each alternative's service area
- Washington Alternative would not impose a disparate impact or disproportionate burden

Next Steps

- Advance the environmental study pursuant California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)
- Evaluate the adopted project alternative, Maintenance Storage Facility options, and initial operating segments
- Update to the Board in summer/fall 2020
- Develop a scope of work for the feasibility study including technical analysis and community engagement