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Planning & Programming Committee  
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**EASTSIDE TRANSIT CORRIDOR PHASE 2**



**Metro**

**Legistar: 2025-0820**

# Recommendation

## CONSIDER:

**AUTHORIZE** the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to execute Modification No. 26 to Contract No. PS4320-2003 with CDM Smith/AECOM Technical Services, Inc., a Joint Venture (JV), to continue environmental studies and outreach support services for the Initial Operating Segment (IOS) for the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 Project, in the amount of \$1,499, 399 increasing the total contract value from \$32,333,784 to \$33,833,183, and extending the period of performance from December 31, 2025, through June 30, 2026.

# Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 Project Background

- > Final EIR Certification and Project Approval under CEQA by Metro Board on May 23, 2024.
- > Reinitiated the NEPA process with FTA for a one-year Environmental Assessment (EA) process for the 4.7-mile LPA (IOS to Greenwood) in May 2025.
- > Project will be built in phases and will connect the communities of East Los Angeles, Commerce, Montebello, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, West Whittier-Los Nietos, and the City of Whittier.
- > \$3.6 billion in Measure M/R and other local sources, \$35M in state grant; pursuing NEPA and federal funding for the IOS.



EIR: *Environmental Impact Report*

IOS: *Initial Operating Segment*

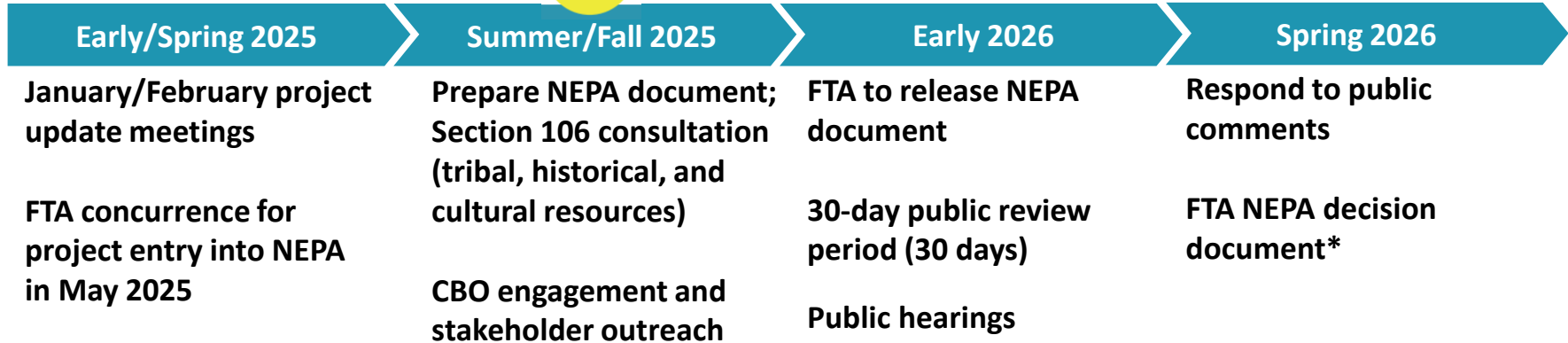
LPA: *Locally Preferred Alternative*

CEQA: *California Environmental Quality Act*

NEPA: *National Environmental Policy Act*

# NEPA Study Schedule for Initial Operating Segment (IOS)

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## ONGOING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

*\*Note: If NEPA/Environmental Assessment (EA) demonstrates that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment, the process concludes with a finding of no significant impact (FONSI). Upon completion of the NEPA process, this project will be eligible to pursue federal funding opportunities.*



# Scope of Work for Contract Modification No. 26

Contract Modification No. 26 is necessary for the current environmental study and outreach support contract for two primary reasons:

- 1) to ensure the completion of the NEPA document by Spring 2026, and
- 2) to continue stakeholder and community engagement for the NEPA process for the IOS.

# Next Steps

- > Upon Board approval, staff will execute Modification No. 26.
- > Fall 2026 – Continue working with FTA on draft NEPA document and outreach to targeted stakeholders, including community-based organizations (CBOs).
- > Early 2026 – Release Draft NEPA document for public review, followed by response to comments.
- > Spring/Summer 2026 - Staff to return to the Board to receive and file the NEPA document.