

Title VI and Environmental Justice Equity Evaluations For New Fixed Guideways



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Exposition Transit Corridor Phase 2

- 6.6 Mile Extension
- 7 Stations
- 43,600 Daily Boardings by 2020

Design Headway	Peak: 5'
Maintenance Facility	Address: 1955 Centinela Ave, Santa Monica, CA 90404 Capacity: 48 Vehicles

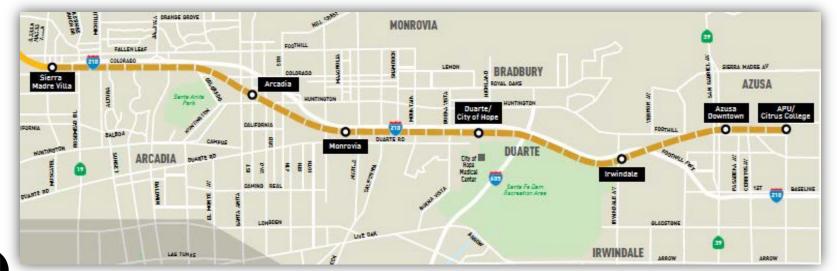




Gold Line Foothill Extension Phase 2A

- 11.5 Mile Extension
- 6 Stations
- 69,300 Daily Boardings by 2025

Design Headway	Peak: 5'
Maintenance Facility	Address: 1600 S. California, Monrovia, CA 91016 Capacity: 84 Vehicles





Title VI Background

- It is a Federal requirement to conduct a service and fare equity analysis of any new fixed guideway project six months prior to opening.
- This requirement was a new obligation included in revised FTA guidelines issued two years ago.



Report Overview

- Demographic Analysis of impacted minority and poverty populations in two fixed guideway corridors – Expo Phase 2 and Gold Line Phase 2a.
- A set of findings for Board action based on the results of the analysis.



Definitions

- Title VI Disparate Impact:
 - A finding that the impacted minority population for a beneficial project was significantly less than Metro's service area minority population.
- Environment Justice Disproportionate Burden:
 - A finding that the impacted poverty population for a beneficial project was significantly less than Metro's service area poverty population.



Adopt Findings

Disparate Impact:

No Impact for Expo or Gold Lines

Disproportionate Burden:

- No Impact for Expo
- The Gold Line Extension was found to create disproportionate burden on poverty level persons,
 e.g. there are a lower number of poverty level residents living along the right-of-way than currently in Metro's service area.
- Staff studied three alternatives. The only alternative that mitigated the disproportionate burden was unreasonable.



Alternative Studied – Cancel Line 270 North of Monrovia Station

Mitigation

- Cancelation of line 270 North of the Monrovia Station.
- Negatively affect 350 boardings each weekday.
- New patrons using the Gold Line would lose access to destinations north of the station.

