

Staff Recommendation



Consider:

- > RECEIVING AND FILING the Conceptual Design Report; and
- > AUTHORIZING the CEO to initiate the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)



Project Overview and Study Area



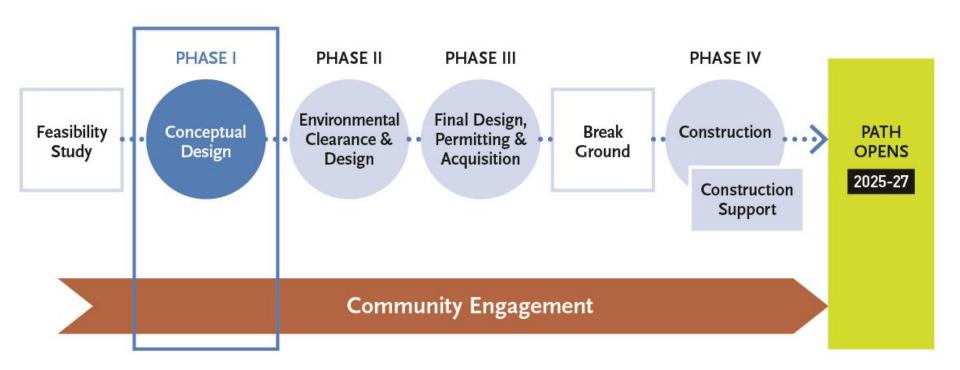
- Close 8-mile gap between Elysian Valley and Maywood
- > Create 32-mile path from San Fernando Valley to Long Beach
- > \$365M in Measure
 M funding





Project Schedule







Conceptual Design

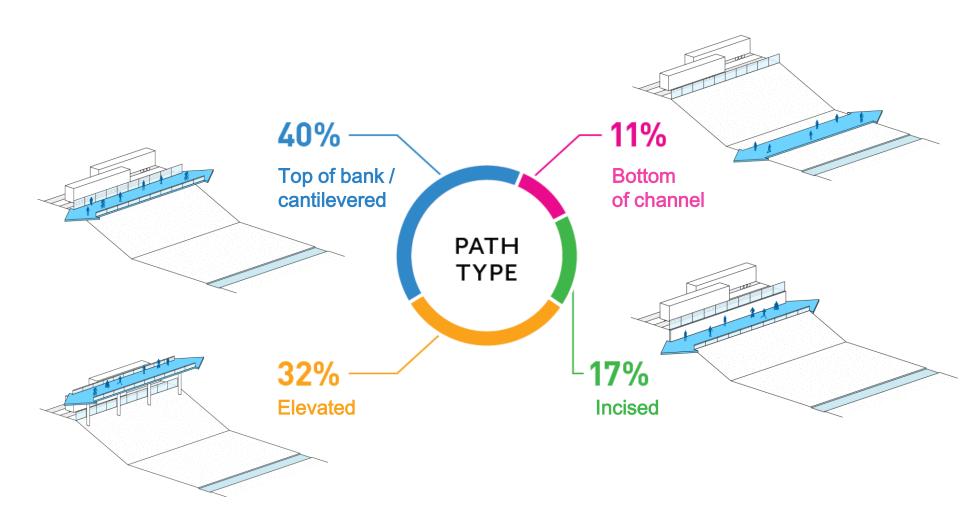


- > Documented existing conditions
- > Conducted community outreach
 - > Stakeholder Roundtables
 - > Project Development Team
 - > 9 Community meetings
 - > 2 Online surveys
 - > Dozens of community pop-up events
- > Identified and screened potential alternatives
- > Identified three most promising alternatives to advance into environmental review



Community Input on Path Types







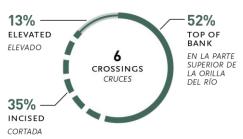
Alternative A

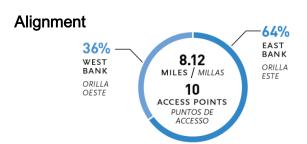


Benefits

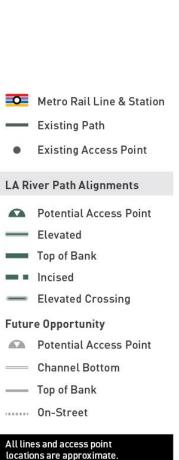
- + *Equity:* path provides access and links communities.
- + *Health:* potential for community gathering areas.

Path Type











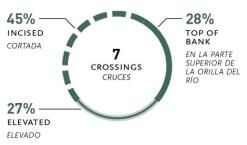
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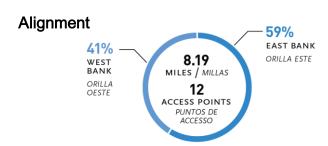


Benefits

- Access: direct connections to services and job centers in Downtown LA, Little Tokyo, and Vernon
- User experience: minimal grade change and unique vistas from elevated and top of bank paths

Path Type









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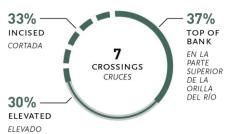
Alternative C



Benefits

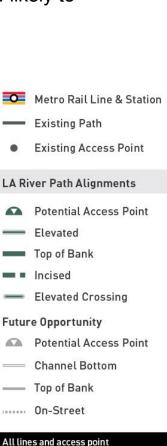
- + Equity: path provides access and links communities.
- + Efficient and sustainable mobility. likely to remain open during flood events

Path Type









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Proposed Next Steps



- > Advance Alternatives A, B and C and initiate the CEQA analysis in order to:
 - > Identify a Proposed Project
 - > Document potential impacts and complete conceptual design
 - > Streamline the NEPA analysis needed for USACE permits
- > Fall 2019 Conduct Scoping Meetings and ongoing community outreach

