

Project Status

Current Status: Start of Environmental Review Phase









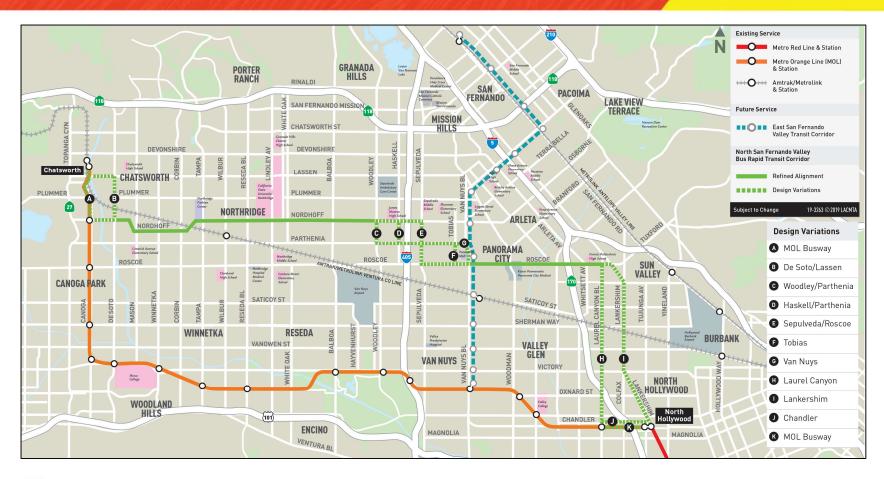


Background

- May 2018
 - Board authorized initiating planning and environmental review
- July 2018 June 2019
 - Alternatives Analysis (AA) Study
- July September 2019
 - Staff conducted additional public outreach



Proposed Project





Summer 2019 Outreach

- Following additional noticing and outreach, approximately
 4,400 comments were received
- Comments organized into key topic areas:
 - Routes and Stations
 - Service Quality and Frequency
 - Traffic and Parking
 - Land Use and Property Impacts
 - Public Safety
 - Outreach



August 12, 2019 Northridge Meeting

• Approximately 15 letters from organizations and elected officials were received as of September 23, 2019.



Next Phase of Study

 Purpose: Evaluate new and or refined alternatives; Continue coordination with NextGen Bus Study and City of Los Angeles.

Consider:

- Service Options
- Community Input

Street Design

- BRT Infrastructure
- Technology Advances

Ridership Forecasts

- Cost Effectiveness
- Routes and Station Locations
- Provide: Continued outreach to engage affected stakeholders including Equity Focus Communities, residents, students, community-based organizations, and businesses in advance of key decision points

Outcomes:

- Refined Proposed Project
- Assessment of the appropriate level of environmental review
- Maintain Measure M Schedule



Recommendation

A. RECEIVE AND FILE:

- 1. Alternatives Analysis Report and the Proposed Project to be evaluated in the environmental review phase; and
- 2. Summer 2019 Outreach Summary; and

B. AUTHORIZE STAFF TO:

- Continue studying the Proposed Project in the environmental review phase while considering community input and the NextGen Bus Study; and
- 2. Report back to the Board following additional study with an update on refinements to the Proposed Project and the environmental review.

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