

# **Board Report**

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PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE OCTOBER 18, 2023

SUBJECT: COUNTYWIDE PLANNING MAJOR PROJECT STATUS

**ACTION: RECEIVE AND FILE** 

### RECOMMENDATION

RECEIVE AND FILE Countywide Planning & Development Major Projects Status Report.

#### <u>ISSUE</u>

Countywide Planning and Development's major projects status report provides highlights of capital projects in planning phases of development. These include transit corridor projects such as rail and bus rapid transit, Measure M active transportation corridor projects, and highway projects.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Metro's mission is to provide a world-class transportation system that enhances the quality of life for all who live, work, and play within Los Angeles County. Countywide Planning and Development (CPD) oversees the planning of major capital projects to support this mission. The attached Project Status Report (Attachment A) provides an update on the planning progress of Metro's four major Pillar Projects -- West Santa Ana Branch, Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2, C (Green) Line Extension to Torrance, and Sepulveda Transit Corridor, as well as other major projects in transit and active transportation planning. In addition, the quarterly report also includes major highways and complete streets projects in various stages of development.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The status report provides an update on major projects as they advance through alternatives and feasibility analyses, technical analyses for environmental certification, selection of preferred projects, cost estimation and funding development, and evaluation of project delivery method. Following environmental planning milestones, projects typically transition from CPD to Program Management and are included in the Program Management Major Project Status report, provided on a quarterly basis to the Metro Board's Construction Committee.

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#### **EQUITY PLATFORM**

Because this report is provided on a regular basis and provides an update on multiple projects, equity considerations were provided in last quarter's report as a baseline summary. For this quarterly report, equity considerations for Transit and Active Transportation projects have not changed since last quarter's baseline report and therefore no updates are provided this quarter.

At last quarter's meeting, the Metro Board requested that Complete Streets and Highways projects include equity analyses for individual project rather than for the program of improvements as had been previously presented; those updated considerations are included this quarter as Attachment B.

## **IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

The development of projects included in this report supports strategic plan goal #1 by delivering high quality mobility options that enable people to spend less time traveling.

#### **NEXT STEPS**

Staff will continue to advance these projects through the planning phases. The next quarterly update will be provided in January 2024.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Project Status Report

Attachment B - Equity Assessments (Complete Streets and Highways)

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