

Next stop: exploring alternatives to the 405.

SEPULVEDA TRANSIT CORRIDOR PROJECT



Community Meetings

January/February 2019

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Purpose of Meeting

- > Present evaluation of Valley-Westside concepts
- > Present initial Westside-LAX concepts
- > Gather community feedback





Study Process



Overview: I-405 Corridor History

- > **2008:** Measure R provides \$1 billion for I-405 corridor (2039 opening year)
- > 2014: I-405 Sepulveda Pass Widening Project opened to traffic
- > **2016:** Measure M provides over \$9 billion for I-405 transit improvements
 - \$260 million for ExpressLanes on I-405 (opening year 2026)
 - \$5.7 billion for Valley-Westside transit (opening year 2033)
 - \$3.8 billion for Westside-LAX transit (opening year 2057)
- > 2018: Valley-Westside Section of the project is identified as eligible for acceleration for 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games
- > Ongoing: Project Feasibility Study underway and Project being evaluated for a public-private partnership



Project Study Area

- > Approximately 22 miles long
- > Generally follows Interstate 405
- > Primarily within the City of Los Angeles, but also portions of:
 - City of Santa Monica
 - Culver City
 - City of Inglewood
 - Unincorporated Los Angeles County





Scope of Feasibility Study

- > Study Area divided into two sections:
 - Valley-Westside
 - Westside-LAX
- > Rail transit concepts between the San Fernando Valley and LAX.
- Connections to existing/planned transit corridors.
- Alignments and station locations, including Park & Ride.
- > Maintenance facility requirements.





Projects in Planning or Construction





East San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor

> At-grade LRT with 14 Stations

- 6.7 Miles on Van Nuys Boulevard
- 2.5 Miles on railroad right-of-way along San Fernando Road
- > Approved by Metro Board in June 2018
 - Groundbreaking in 2022
 - Opening in 2028

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East San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor

- Sylmar/San Fernando 1. **Metrolink Station**
 - **Maclay Station** 2.
 - 3. **Paxton Station**
 - Van Nuys/San Fernando 4. Station
 - Laurel Canyon Station 5.
 - 6. **Arleta Station**
 - 7. Woodman Station
 - Nordhoff Station 8.
 - 9. **Roscoe Station**
 - Van Nuys Metrolink 10. Station
 - **Sherman Way Station** 11.
 - 12. Vanowen Station
 - **Victory Station** 13.
 - 14. Metro Orange Line Van **Nuys Station**

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Project Purpose and Need

Provide a **high-quality transit service** that effectively serves a **large and growing travel market** between the San Fernando Valley and the Westside, including the LAX area.

For transit to be a **competitive travel option** that attracts new riders, there is a need to **increase the speed, frequency, capacity and reliability of transit service** and provide **convenient connections** to existing and planned transit corridors.





Evaluation Criteria



Compatibility with Local and Regional Plans



Cost



Cost-Effectiveness

Potential Environmental Effects











Transit Modes Under Consideration



- > High speed (up to 65 mph)
- > Typical capacity of 4,800 passengers per hour per direction
- > Can share track with planned Metro LRT lines
- > Currently in use by Metro

Notes:

All capacities are approximate and depend on vehicle and system design.

LRT based on 3-car trains at 5-minute frequency. HRT based on 6-car trains at 4-minute frequency. Monorail based on 3-car trains at 4-minute frequency. Rubber tire based on 8-car trains at 4-minute frequency.



- > High speed (up to 70 mph)
- Typical capacity of 12,000 passengers per hour per direction
- > Currently in use by Metro



- Can operate on the surface over the steep inclines through the Sepulveda Pass
- > Typical capacity of 7,500 passengers per hour per direction for monorail or 15,000 for rubber tire

Initial Valley-Westside Transit Concepts (All concepts planned to allow extension to LAX)



Demand Exceeds Capacity on ESFV



Concept 3



Demand Exceeds Capacity on ESFV

ESFV Load, Southbound Trains, AM Peak Hour, 2042



Concept 1



Response to Ridership of Initial Concepts

- > Eliminate LRT concepts from consideration insufficient capacity along ESFV corridor for one-seat ride
- > Refine the initial MRT and HRT concepts to extend farther north – intercept demand on ESFV
- > Eliminate other lower performing concepts/options:
 - Purple Line Extension lowest performer
 - Connection at Westwood/VA low ridership



Refined Valley-Westside Transit Concepts











MRT 1



Valley-Westside Stations and Access





Valley

Westside





Demand Within Capacity on ESFV

ESFV Load, Southbound Trains, AM Peak Hour, 2042



(Per Each Refined Concept)

Travel Times By Mode – Refined Concepts

Travel Time from Van Nuys Metrolink to Expo Line (AM Peak, in minutes)





Refined Concepts – HRT 1



Refined Concepts – HRT 2



HRT 1, HRT 2 : Key Strengths and Challenges

> Strengths

- Excess capacity to serve growth
- Fastest travel time
- Fewer property impacts due to underground alignment

> Challenges

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- Major water main & storm drains
- Tunneling underneath ESFV



HRT 1



Refined Concepts – HRT 3



HRT 3: Key Strengths and Challenges

> Strengths

- Excess capacity to serve growth
- Potential construction cost savings (with aerial section)
- Faster travel times
- Sherman Way station provides Park & Ride opportunity
- > Challenges
 - Major water main & storm drains
 - Greater property impacts along aerial sections
 - Loss of parking on Sepulveda Boulevard







Refined Concepts – MRT 1



MRT 1: Key Strengths and Challenges

> Strengths

- Potential construction cost savings
- Operates on steep grades
- Excess capacity to serve growth

> Challenges

- Slow average speed
- Open space, wildlife crossings, and streams in Sepulveda Pass
- Major water main & storm drains
- Greater property impacts along aerial sections
- Loss of parking on Sepulveda Boulevard





Summary of Refined Concepts

	HRT 1	HRT 2	HRT 3	MRT 1
Ridership (daily)	123,000	120,000	133,000	105,000
Travel Time (Metrolink to Expo Line, in minutes)	15	16	18	26
Connectivity				
Capacity				
Fewer Environmental and Community Impacts				
			Low	High

(does not meet goal)

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(meets goal)

Development of Initial Westside-LAX Concepts

- > Goal is to evaluate alignments and identify major feasibility issues:
 - Preserve the ability to extend to LAX from Expo/Sepulveda or Expo/Bundy
 - Connect major activity centers
 - Use existing transportation corridors





Sepulveda/I-405 Concepts



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HRT



Monorail/Rubber Tire



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Purple Line Extension



Westside-LAX Stations and Access



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Feasibility Study Schedule





Community Meeting Schedule

> This is the second of three rounds of community meetings for the Feasibility Study:

- Wednesday, January 30, 2019 6-8pm Westwood Presbyterian Church
- Saturday, February 2, 2019 10am-12pm Marvin Braude Constituent Service Center
- Tuesday, February 5, 2019 6-8pm Proud Bird Restaurant

How to Provide Input



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Thank You

> Q&A

