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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

DATE: September 11, 2025

TO: Agencies, Organizations, and Interested Parties

SUBJECT: Notice of Availability (NOA) of a Final Environmental Impact Report

PROJECT TITLE: C Line Extension to Torrance Project

SCH NUMBER: 2021010269

FROM: Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Pub. Resources Code, § 21000 et seq.) and the CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. § 15000 et seq.), the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro), as the Lead Agency, has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the C Line Extension to Torrance Project (Project). In 2024, the Metro Board adopted the K Line operating plan, under which the Project would now operate as a southern extension of the K Line from Redondo Beach. However, the Project will continue to be referred to as the C Line Extension to Torrance in the Final EIR for consistency purposes. This Final EIR responds to all comments received on the Draft EIR during the public comment period and incorporates revisions and clarifications where appropriate. Together with the Draft EIR, it constitutes the complete EIR as described in CEQA Guidelines section 15132. This notice provides the public, responsible and trustee agencies, and other interested parties with a summary of the Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) and information regarding the availability of the Final EIR.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Metro proposes to implement a light rail transit Project that would extend light rail approximately 4.5 miles from the existing Redondo Beach (Marine) Station southeast along the Metro-owned Harbor Subdivision freight railroad right-of-way (Metro ROW) to the Mary K. Giordano Regional Transit Center in Torrance with two new light rail stations. The light rail extension would travel through the cities of Lawndale, Redondo Beach, and Torrance.

The Draft EIR identified and evaluated the Elevated/At-Grade Alignment as the Proposed Project with two options north of 190th Street: the Trench Option and Hawthorne Option. In accordance with CEQA guidelines Section 15126.6(a), the Draft EIR also included three Project Alternatives [No Project Alternative, High Frequency Bus Alternative, and 170th/182nd Grade-

Separated Light Rail Transit Alternative (Hybrid Alternative)]. In May 2024, the Metro Board selected the Hybrid Alternative as the Locally Preferred Alternative, which fully grade-separates light rail and travels along the Metro ROW, as shown in Figure 1. Appendix B of the Final EIR provides Advanced Conceptual Engineering (ACE) plans for the LPA and identifies properties that could be affected temporarily or permanently during Project construction or operation.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES: This light rail extension would provide an alternative to the busy I-405 corridor and expand access to the region by connecting to the existing Metro Rail E (Exposition) Line and C (Green) Line, as well as Los Angeles International Airport (LAX). Objectives of the project include:

- Improve mobility in the South Bay and encourage a mode shift by introducing frequent, reliable transit service to meet growing transportation needs.
- Provide more equitable access to regional destinations by improving connections to the Metro rail network.
- Avoid and minimize environmental impacts.
- Provide a cost-effective project.
- Reduce air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions by making transit a more viable transportation choice.

SUMMARY OF POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS: The Draft EIR described the Project design, construction, and operations; evaluated the Project's potential environmental impacts; and as required by CEQA, identified mitigation measures and alternatives to reduce or avoid significant impacts. As described in the Draft and Final EIR, the LPA and other rail alignments (Elevated/At-Grade Alignment, Trench Option and Hawthorne Option) would result in significant and unavoidable noise and vibration impacts during construction, even after the implementation of mitigation measures. In addition, the Elevated/At-Grade Alignment would result in significant and unavoidable operational noise impacts, and the Trench Option would result in significant and unavoidable air quality impacts during construction. The Final EIR is accompanied by a Mitigation, Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP), which describes how Metro would implement the mitigation measures described in the Final EIR.

OTHER PROJECT INFORMATION: Metro has published other project information of interest to the public on the project website at www.metro.net/clineext, including summaries of public outreach events and comments, ridership projections, cost estimates, frequently asked questions, and information regarding real estate needs as well as potential changes to streets and parking.

PUBLIC AVAILABILITY: The Final EIR will be available to the public beginning September 12, 2025. It can be downloaded from the project website at www.metro.net/clineext. The Final EIR also is available at the following locations:

- Lawndale Library (14615 Burin Ave, Lawndale, CA 90260)
- Redondo Beach North Library (2000 Artesia Blvd, Redondo Beach, CA 90278)
- North Torrance Library (3604 Artesia Blvd, Torrance, CA 90504)
- Katy Geissert Civic Center Library (3301 Torrance Blvd, Torrance, CA 90503)
- Metro Headquarters Library (One Gateway Plaza, Los Angeles, CA 90012) by appointment only. Please email library@metro.net to schedule an appointment.

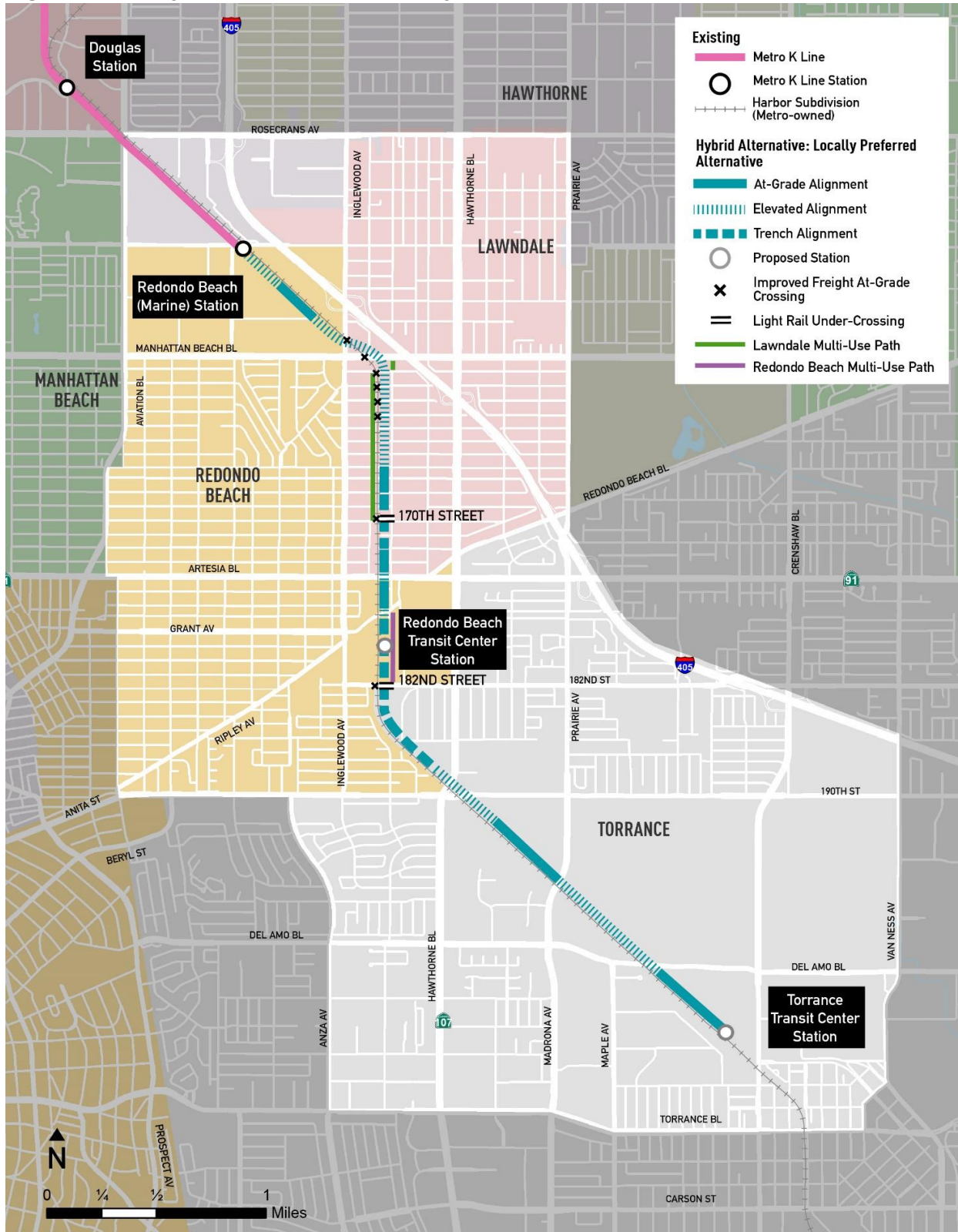
PUBLIC HEARING: Metro will present key findings of the Final EIR at a Metro Board Meeting anticipated in Fall 2025. At this meeting, the public will have an opportunity to provide oral comments. The Metro Board may also consider certification of the Final EIR and approval of the Project.

ADA REQUIREMENTS: Upon request, sign language interpretation, materials in alternative formats, and other accommodations are available to the public for Metro-sponsored meetings. All requests for reasonable accommodations, interpretation services, and materials in other languages must be made at least three working days (72 hours) prior to the scheduled meeting date. Please submit requests by calling (323) 466-3876 between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Our TDD line is (800) 252-9040. Individuals with hearing or speech impairment may use the California Relay Service 711 + Metro phone number.

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Figure 1. Locally Preferred Alternative (Hybrid Alternative)



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