



Eastside Transit Corridor – Phase 2

Public Meetings

April 9-17, 2008

Today's Agenda

6:30-7:00 pm

Open House

7:00- 7:45 pm

Presentation

7:45-8:30 pm

Public Comment



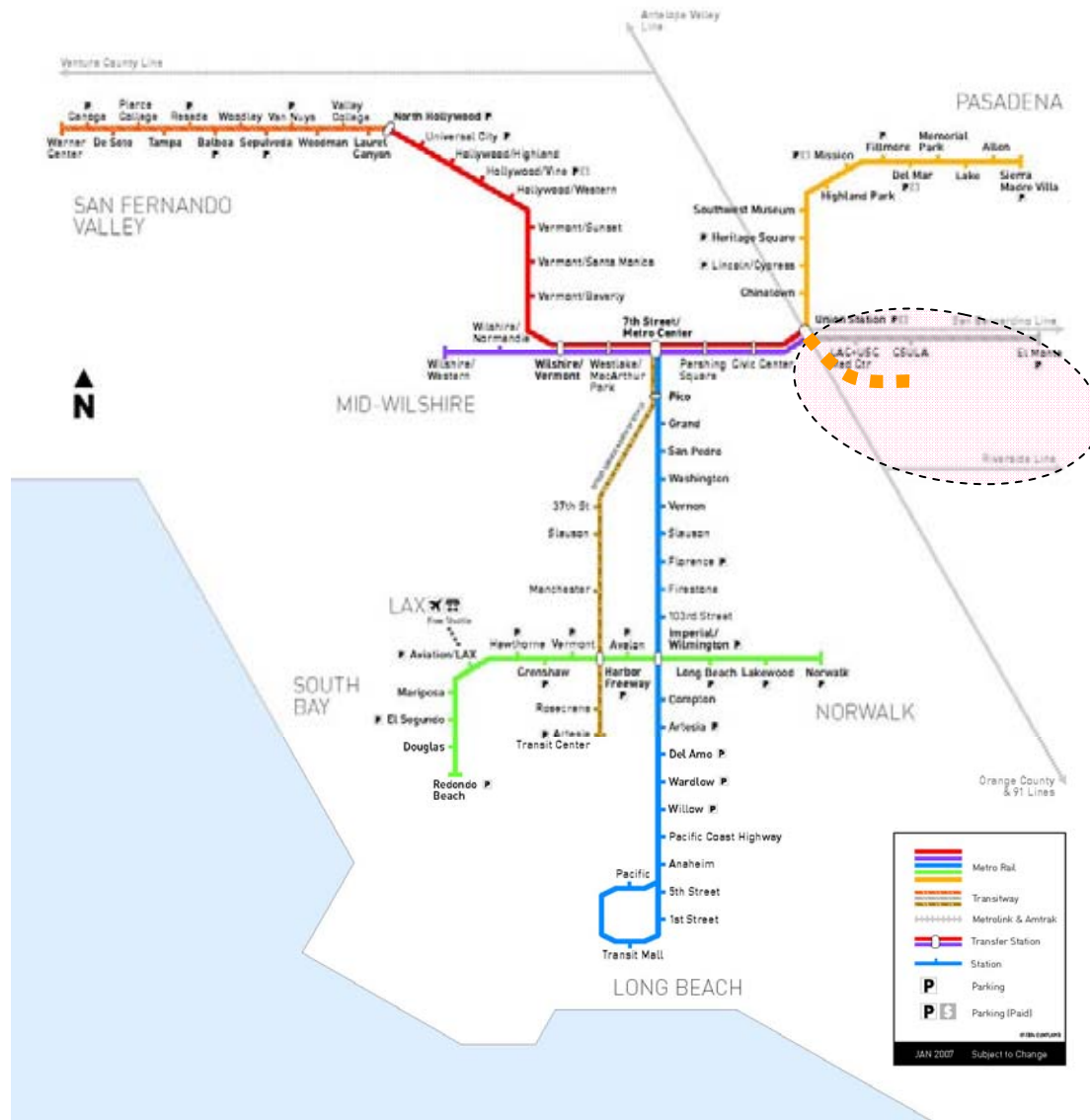
Goals of Today's Meeting

- **Review initial conceptual alternatives**
- **Identify alternatives recommended for further detailed evaluation**
- **Listen to public comments on screening evaluation and results**
- **Discuss Next Steps**



Study Area

Metro System Map & Eastside Extension



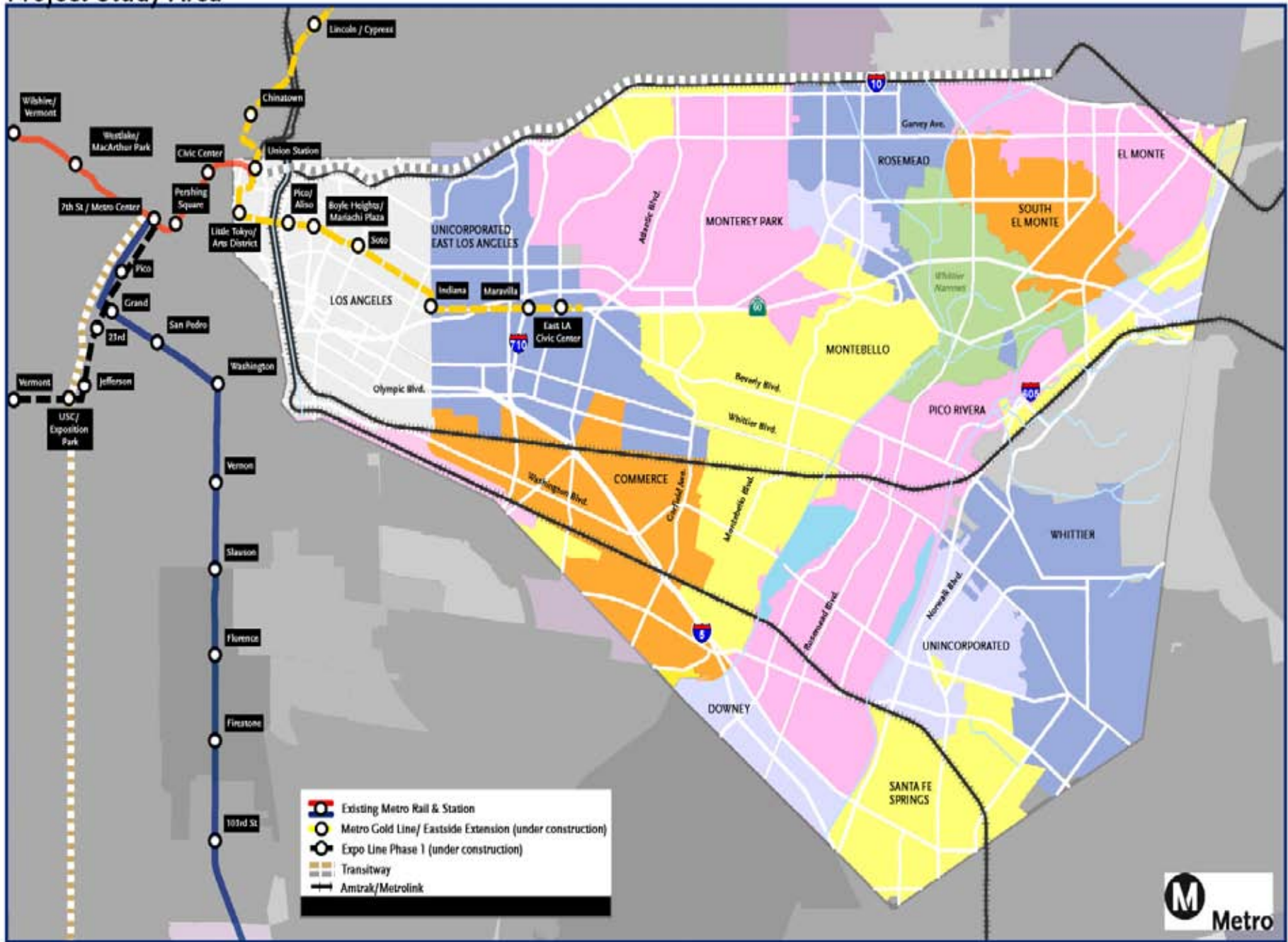
**Project Area and
Metro Gold Line
Eastside Extension
(Phase 1)**

Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension



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Project Study Area





Why We Are Here

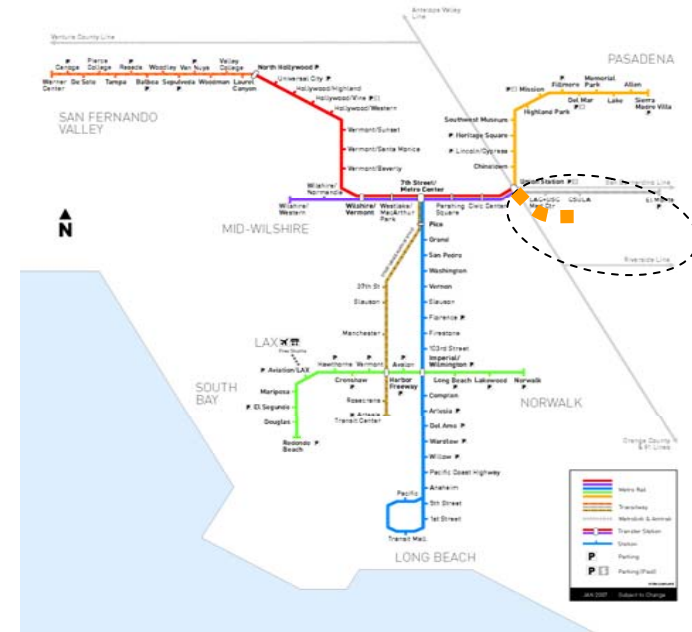
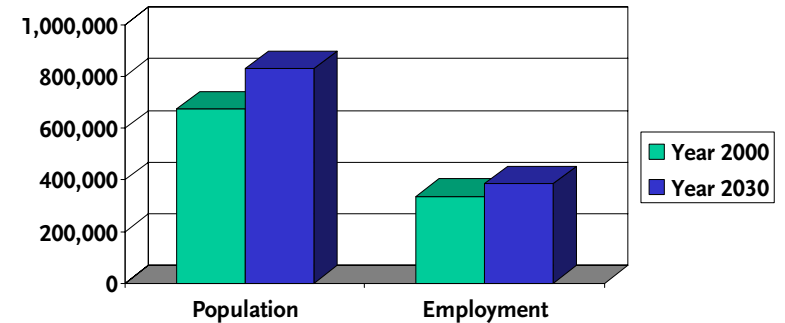
Goals and Purpose of Project

- **To identify ways to provide a transit connection to the Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension now under construction**
- **To link cities further east of Los Angeles with the regional transit network**
- **To improve mobility in the Project Area by enhancing transit options**
- **To plan for projected growth in a sustainable manner**

Purpose & Need Findings

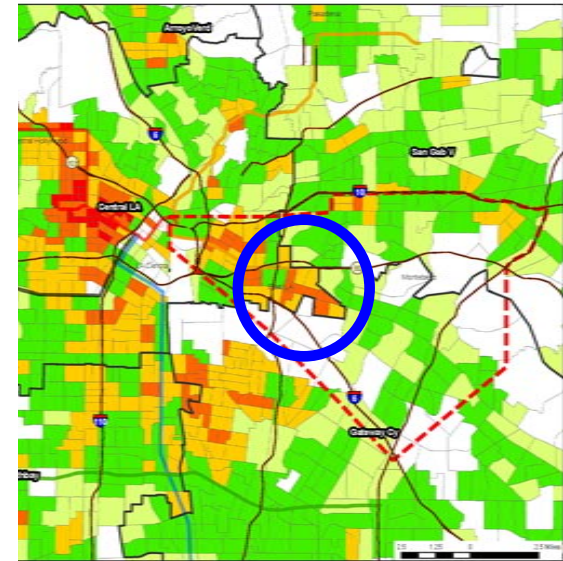
- Eastside residential growth projected to be greater than 800,000 by Year 2030; greater than the population of the City of San Francisco
- Eastside Metro rail coverage is sparse compared to other quadrants

Eastside Study Area Growth

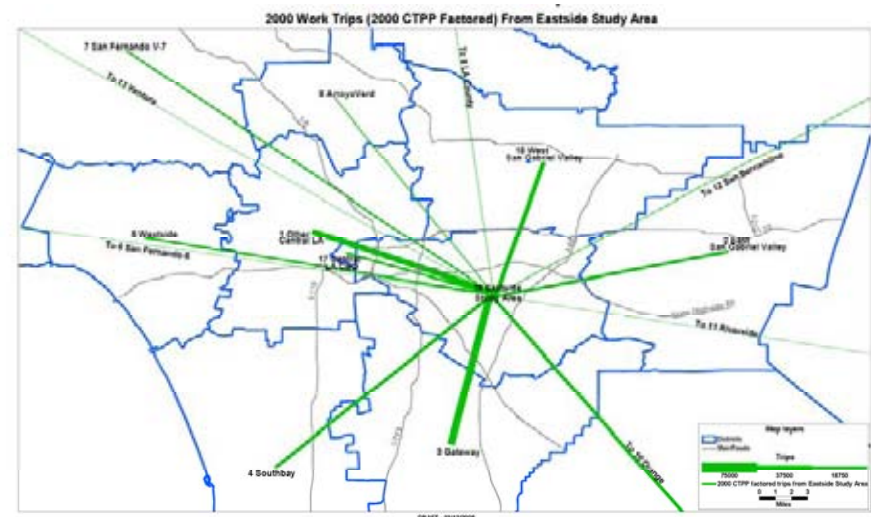


Purpose & Need Findings

- Increased access to commercial, recreational, entertainment activity centers within the Eastside study area
- Central Los Angeles and LA CBD combined are the #1 ranked destination for Eastside study area trips



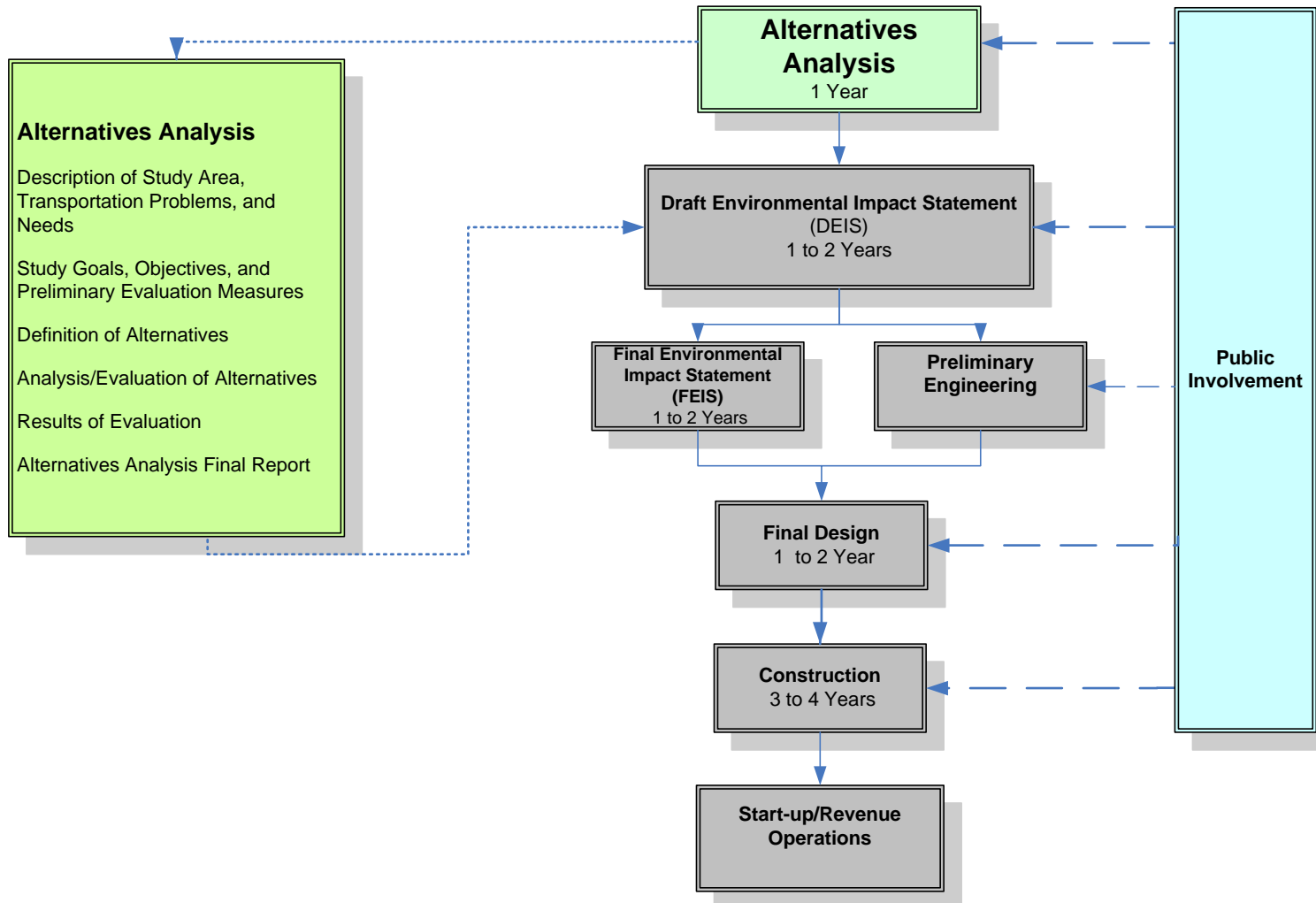
2030 Population Growth





Project Development Process

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7 to 10 Years

Possible AA Study Outcomes

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What We Heard

Early Scoping Summary

- **Federal Register Notice**
 - October 31, 2007
- **4 Early Scoping Meetings**
 - Whittier, Nov. 8
 - Montebello, Nov. 10
 - Rosemead, Nov. 14
 - Pico Rivera, Nov. 15
- **Comment Period Ended**
 - November 30, 2007



Scoping Comment Summary

Routes		General
<i>Opportunities</i>	<i>Concerns</i>	<i>Concerns</i>
Whittier	Whittier	Parking, Safety, Property Values
Beverly	Beverly	Trees along Beverly
60 Freeway	60 Freeway	Congestion, Graffiti
Washington	Washington	Transit Oriented Development, Cost, Crime
Atlantic		Geotechnical issues on Washington
U.P. Right of Way		Right of Way Acquisition
Garfield		Noise, Decision Process, Performance
605 Fwy		North and South Connections
Whittier Greenway		Business Impacts, Transients, Construction
Olympic		Incentives
Pomona to Paramount		
Rosemead		
Lambert		
El Monte Busway		
5 Fwy		
Any route		



Metro

Scoping Summary – General Impressions

- Participants are aware of the Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension and support extending it further east
- Residents indicated proximity to downtown Los Angeles as a reason they moved into the project area
- Residents cited ever increasing congestion that continues to delay their commute



Scoping Summary – Specific Impressions

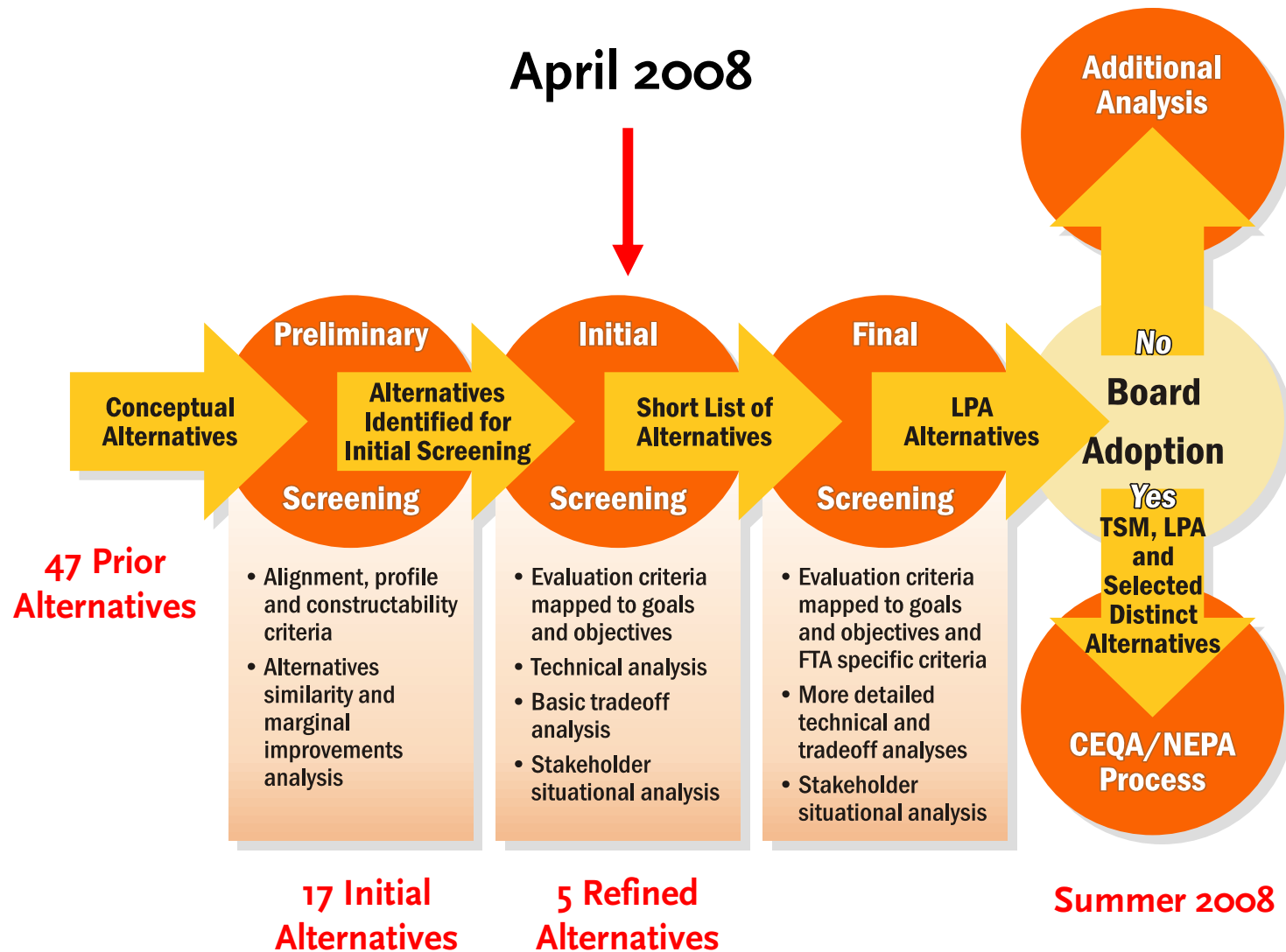
- **Light Rail Technology (LRT) is preferred transit mode**
- **Parking, safety, property values and congestion are biggest community issues**
- **Whittier Boulevard as a preferred alignment with grade separations**
- **SR-60 Freeway and Washington Boulevard as strong secondary alignment options**
- **Segments of Beverly Boulevard were noted to avoid due to narrow right-of-way and established trees in Whittier**





Alternatives Analysis Screening Process

Alternatives Evaluation and Screening Process



Federal Alternatives Evaluation Criteria

- **Community Acceptability**
- **Cost-Effectiveness**
- **Ridership**
- **Economic Development/Land Use**
- **Travel Time Savings & Comparisons**
- **Reliability**
- **Costs**
- **Environmental Effects**
- **Sustainability Factors**
- **Security & Safety**
- **Financial Capability**

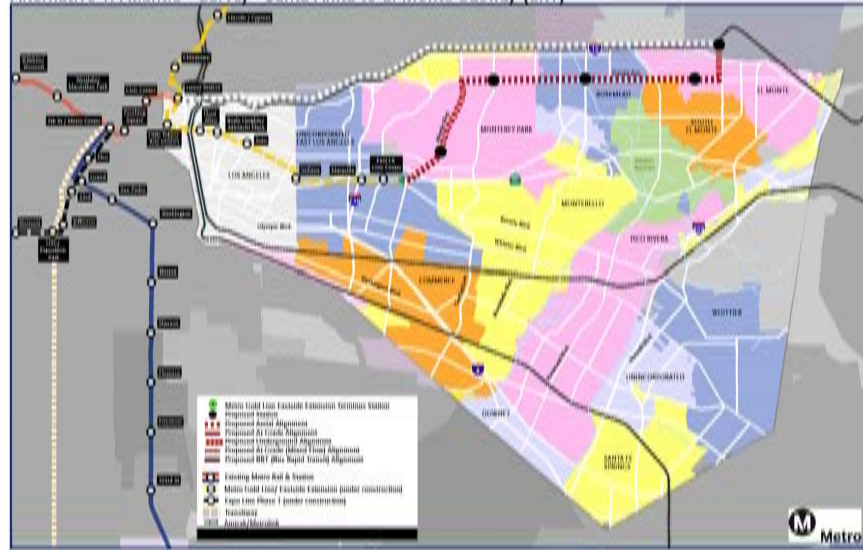




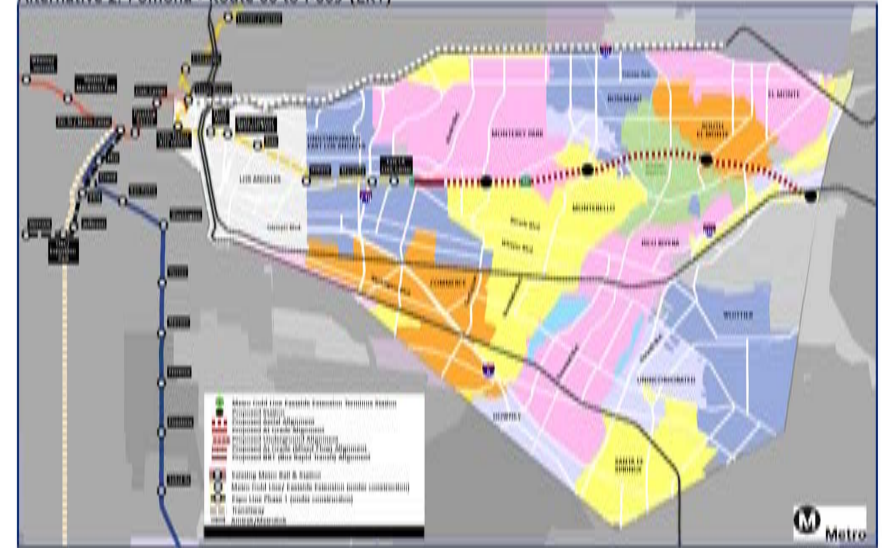
Alternatives

SR 60 Initial Alternatives

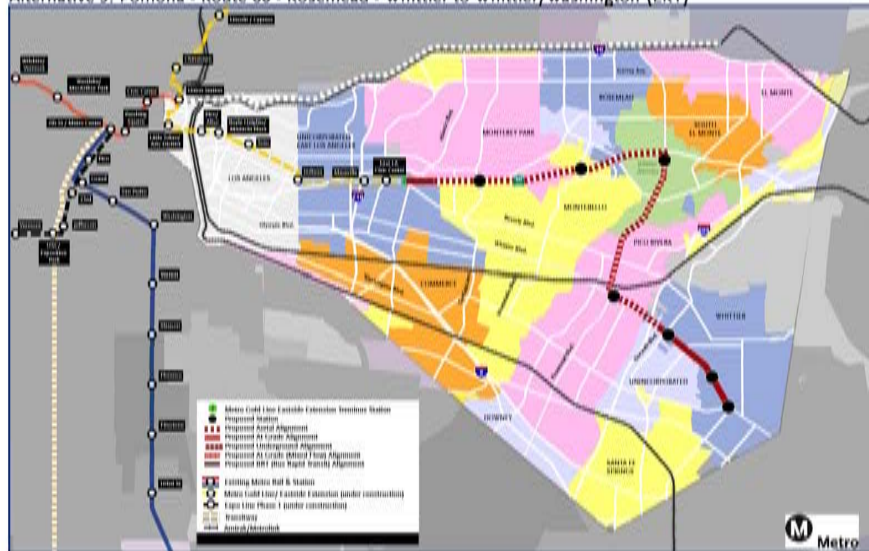
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Alternative 1: Atlantic - Garvey - Santa Anita to El Monte Busway (LRT)



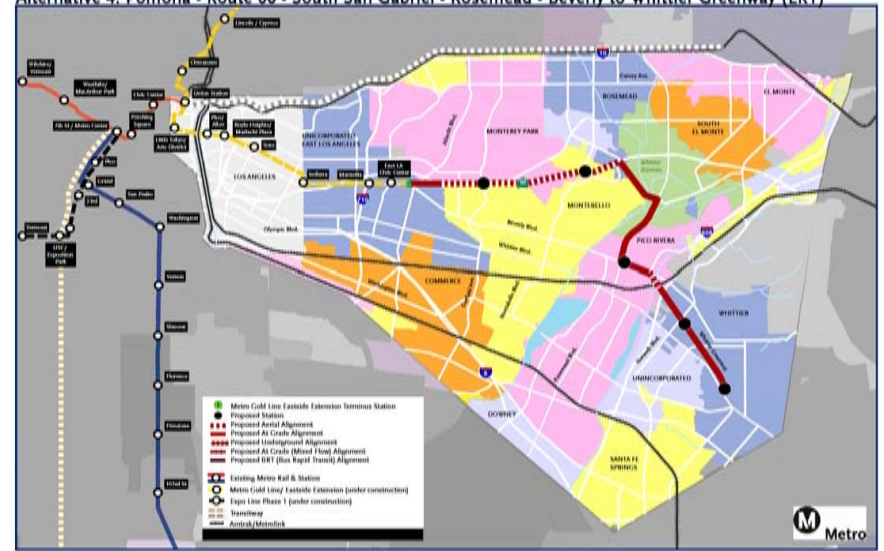
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Alternative 2: Pomona - Route 60 to I-605 (LRT)



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Alternative 3: Pomona - Route 60 - Rosemead - Whittier to Whittier/Washington (LRT)

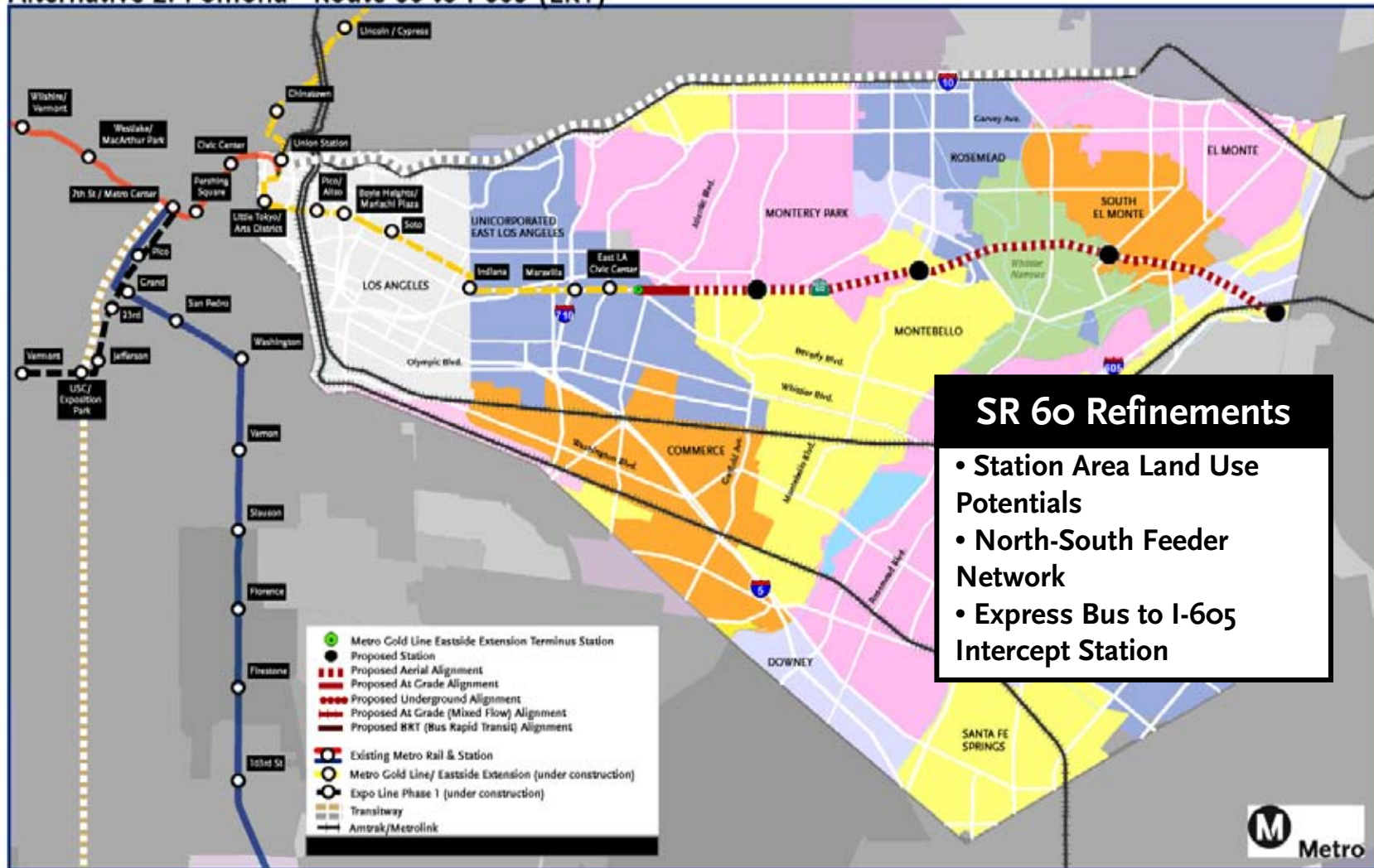


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Alternative 4: Pomona - Route 60 - South San Gabriel - Rosemead - Beverly to Whittier Greenway (LRT)



Refined Alternatives - SR-60

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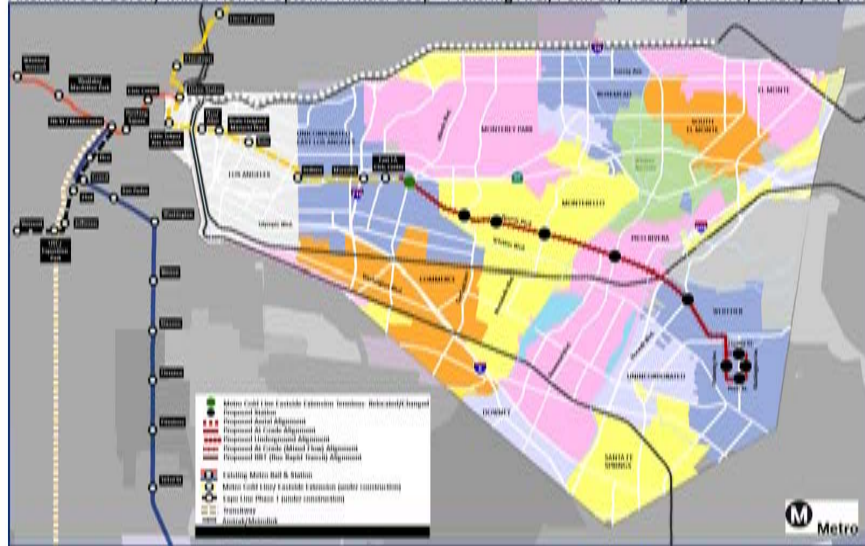


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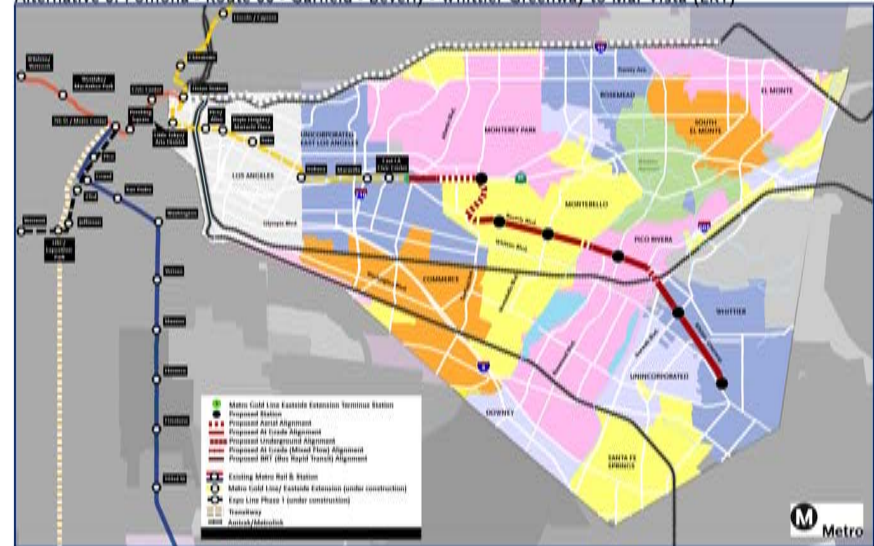


Beverly Boulevard Initial Alternatives

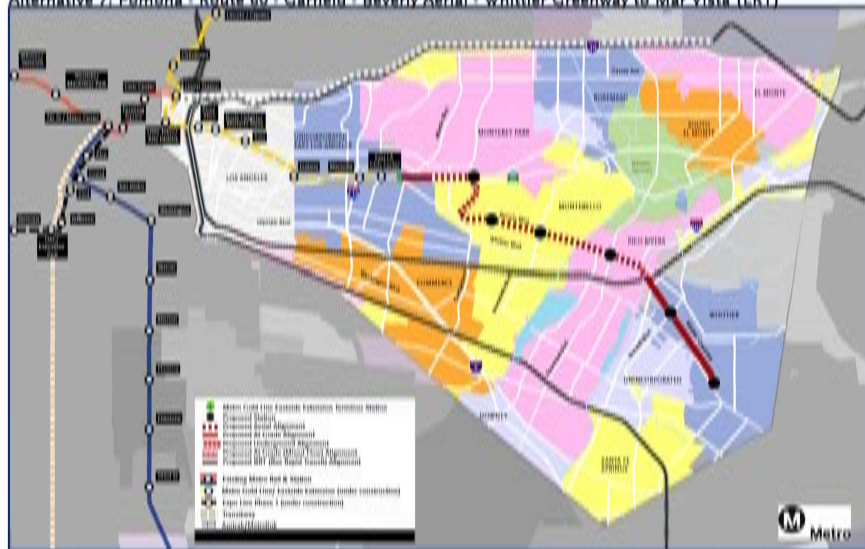
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 Alternative 5: Beverly Mixed Flow to Uptown Whittier Loop - Pickering Ave., Penn St., Washington Ave., Hadley St. (LRT)



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 Alternative 6: Pomona - Route 60 - Garfield - Beverly - Whittier Greenway to Mar Vista (LRT)



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 Alternative 7: Pomona - Route 60 - Garfield - Beverly Aerial - Whittier Greenway to Mar Vista (LRT)



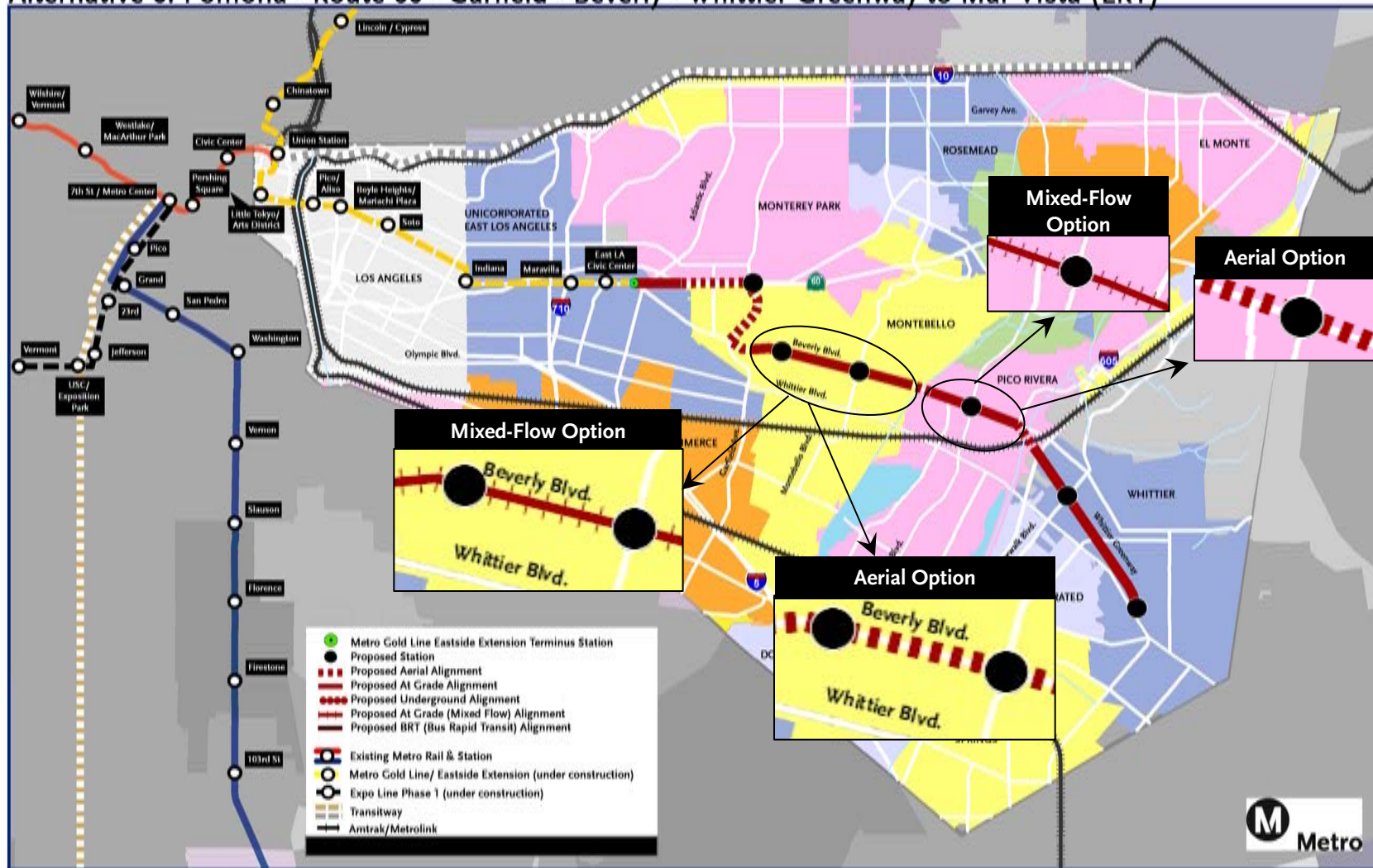
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 Alternative 8: Beverly - Montebello - Whittier Underground to Whittier/Philadelphia (LRT)



Refined Alternatives - Beverly Boulevard

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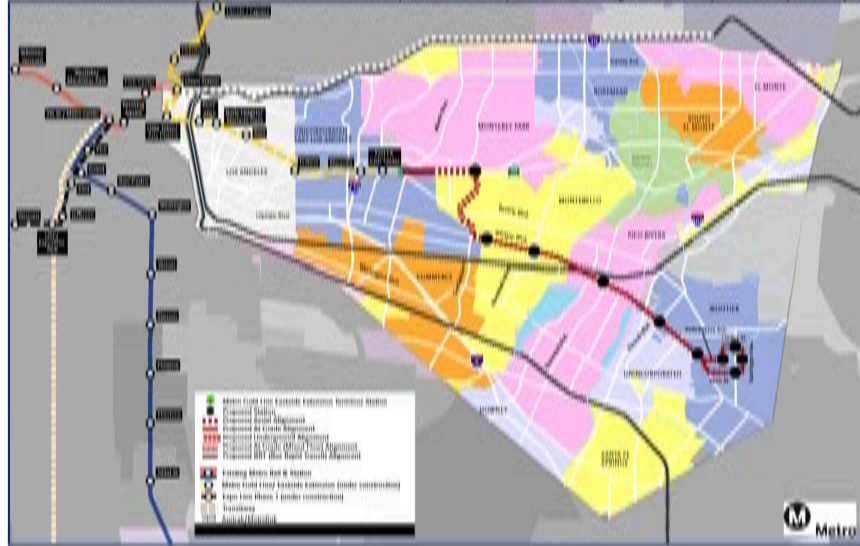
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Whittier Boulevard Initial Alternatives

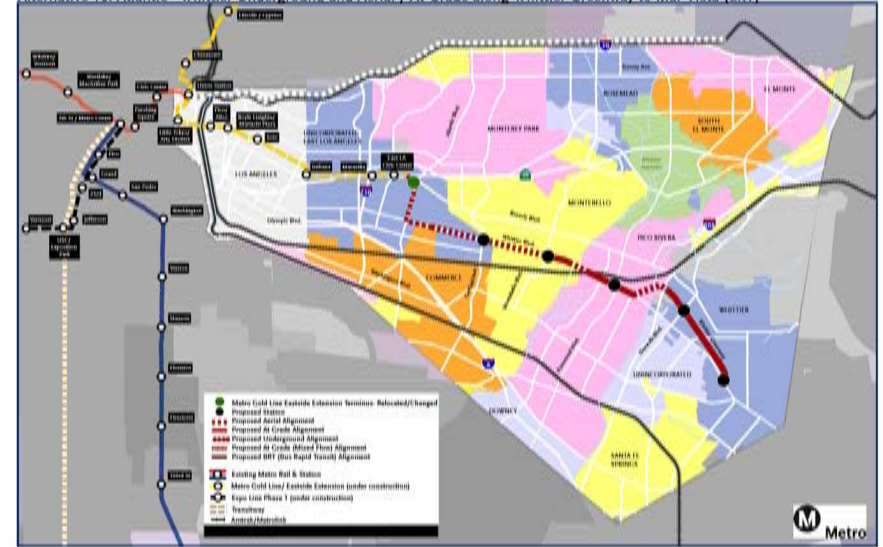
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Alternative 9: Pomona - Route 60 - Garfield - Whittier Mixed Flow to Uptown Whittier Loop - Penn St, Washington Ave., Hadley St, Philadelphia Ave. (LRT)



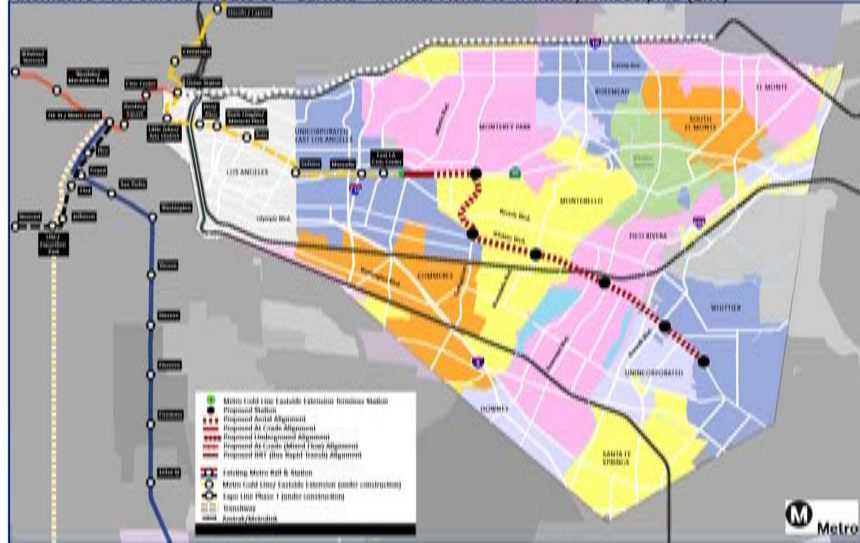
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Alternative 10: Atlantic - Whittier Underground and Aerial / At-Grade along Whittier Greenway to Mar Vista (LRT)



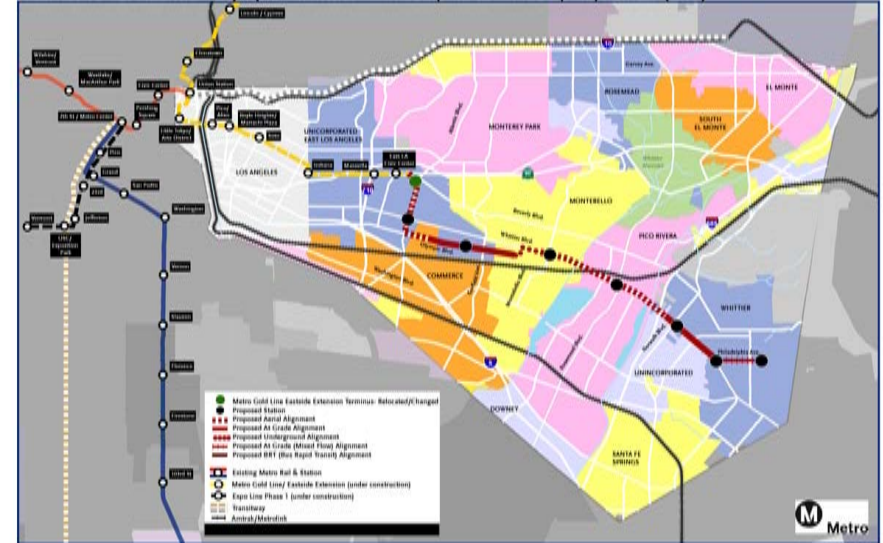
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Alternative 11: Pomona - Route 60 - Garfield - Whittier Aerial to Whittier/Philadelphia (LRT)



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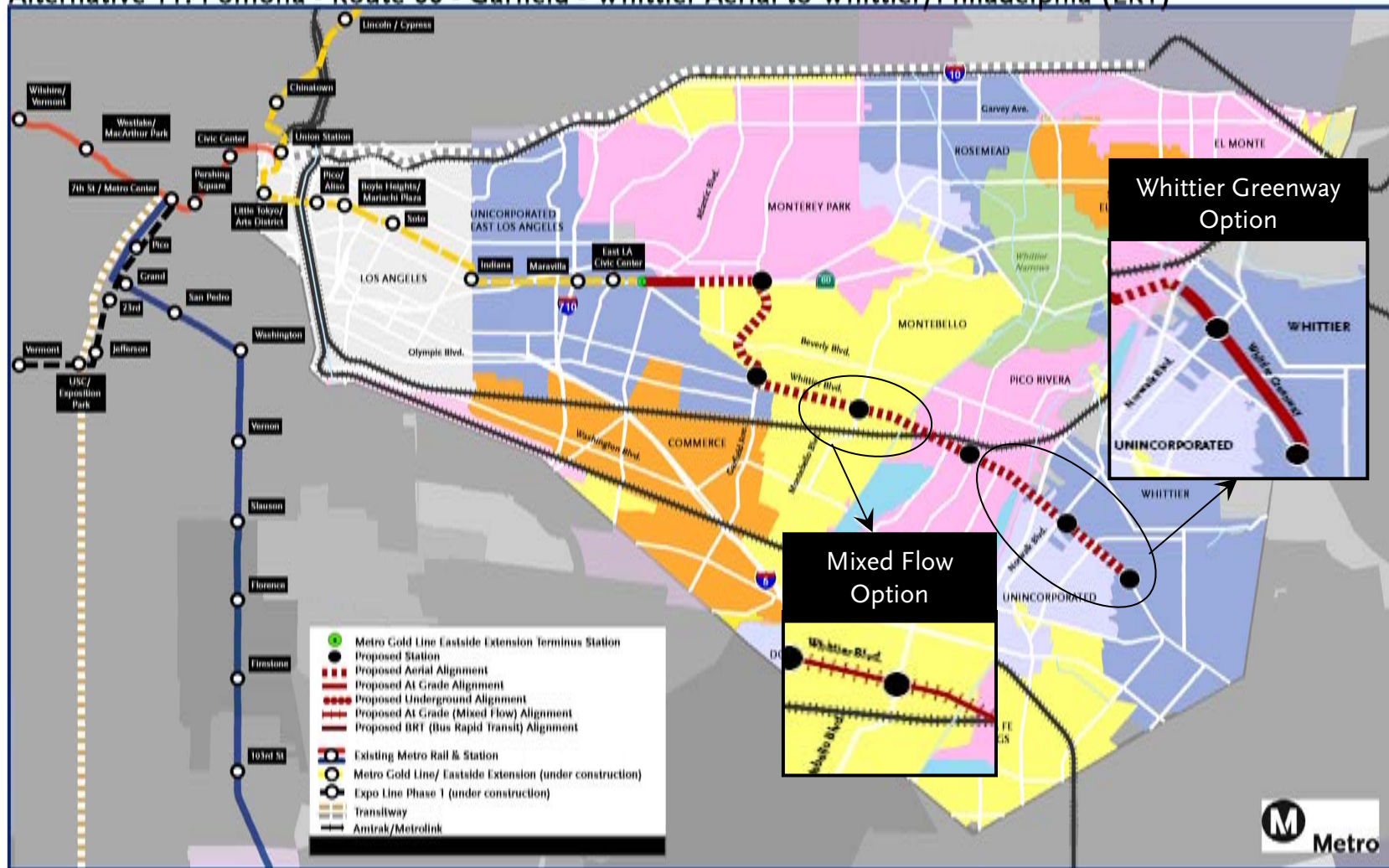
Alternative 12: Atlantic - Olympic - Whittier - Philadelphia to Philadelphia/Painter (LRT)



Refined Alternatives - Whittier Boulevard

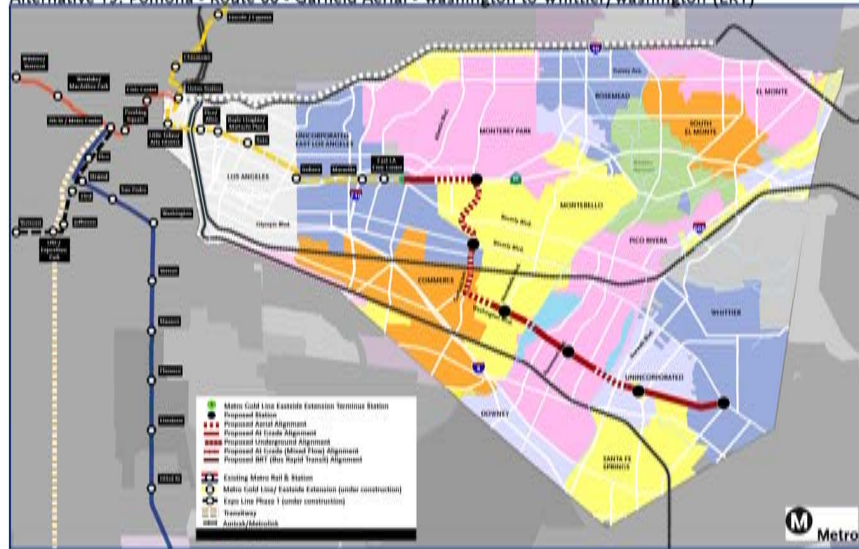
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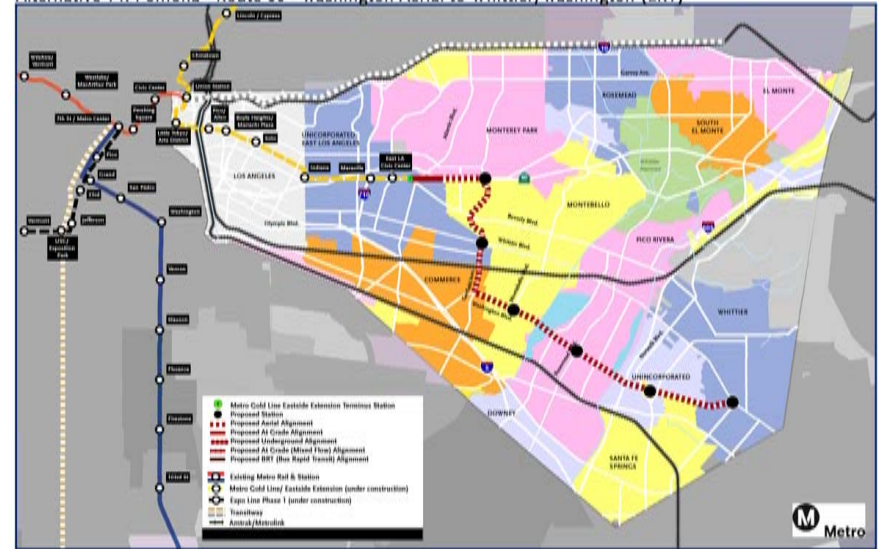


Washington Boulevard Initial Alternatives

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Alternative 13: Pomona - Route 60 - Garfield Aerial - Washington to Whittier/Washington (LRT)



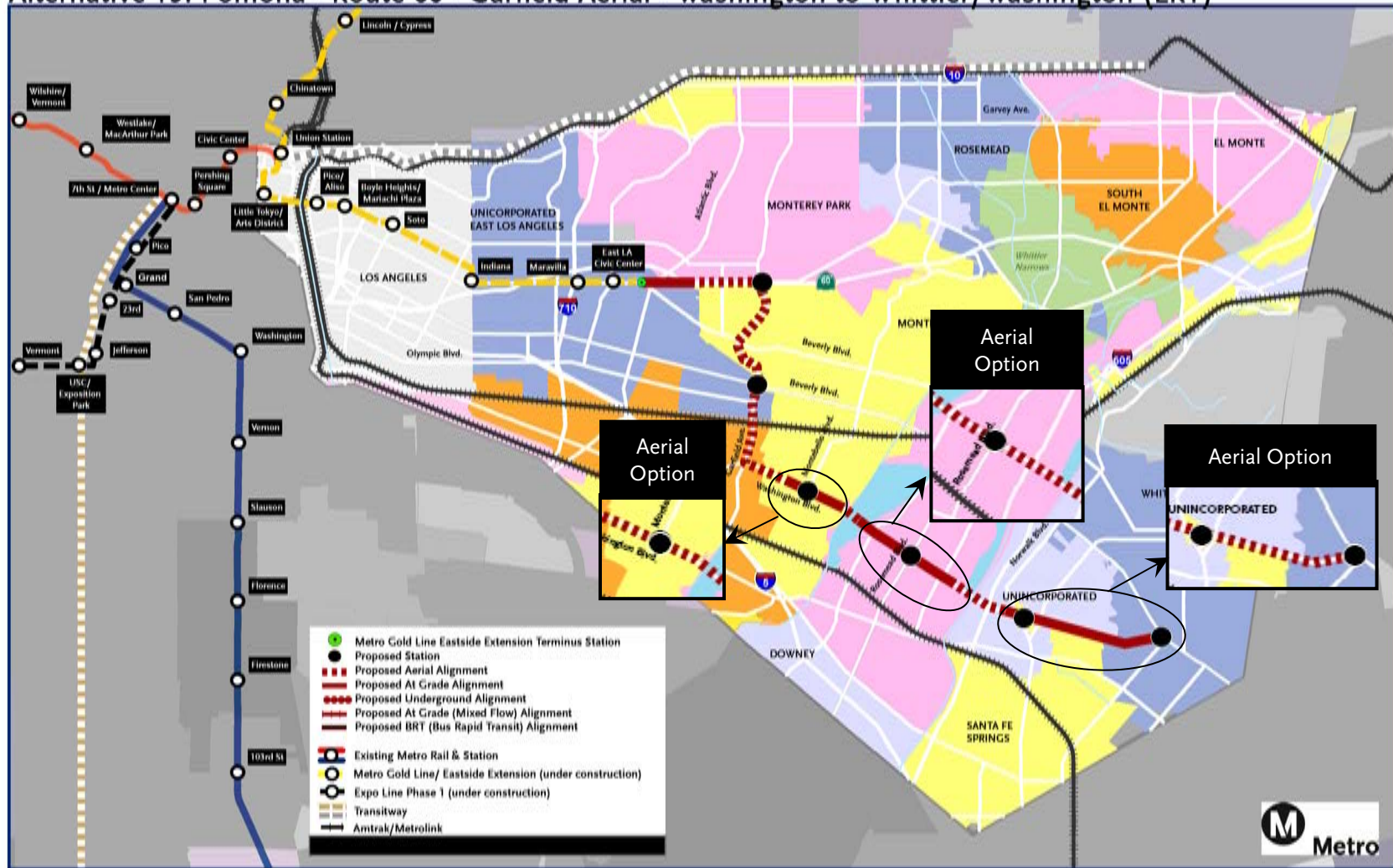
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Alternative 14: Pomona - Washington Aerial to Whittier/Washington (LRT)



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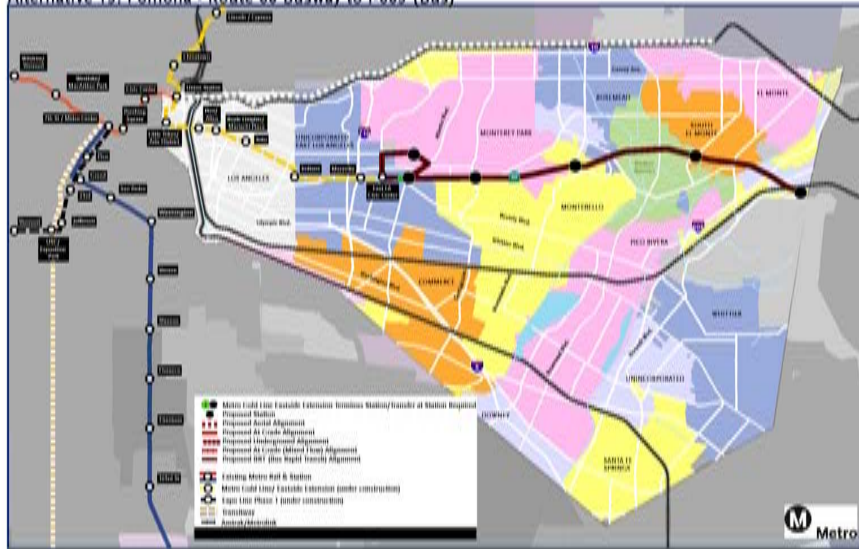
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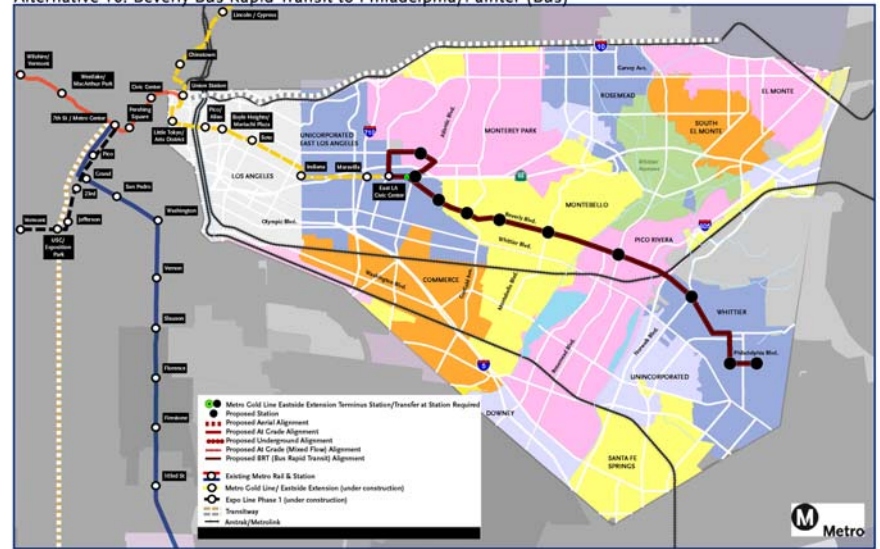


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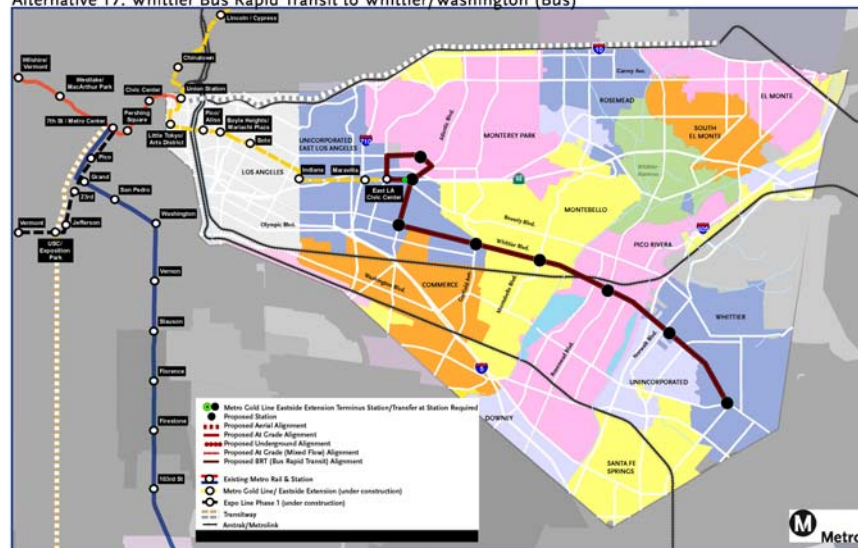
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Alternative 15: Pomona - Route 60 Busway to I-605 (Bus)



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Alternative 16: Beverly Bus Rapid Transit to Philadelphia/Painter (Bus)

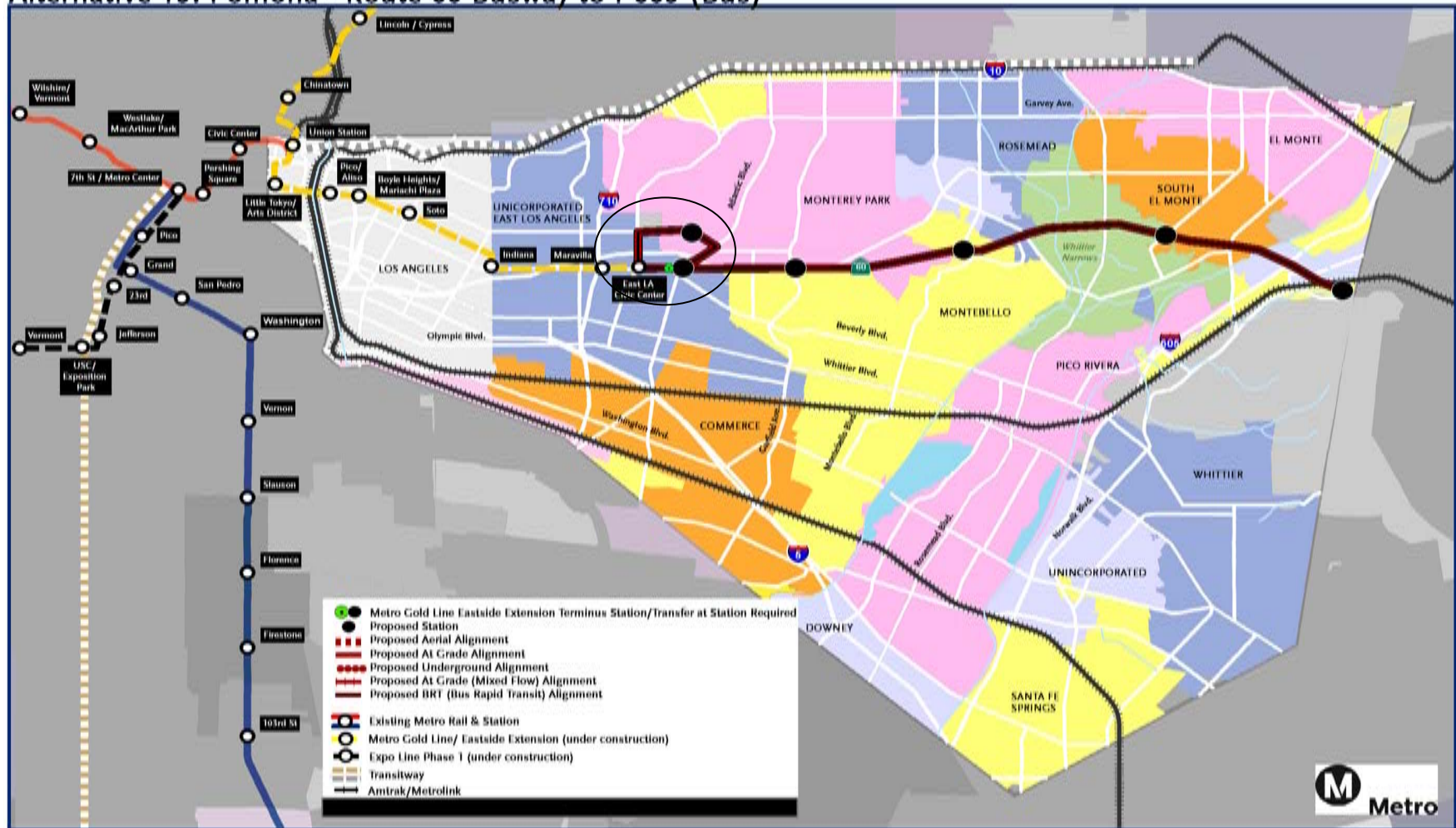


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Alternative 17: Whittier Bus Rapid Transit to Whittier/Washington (Bus)



Refined Alternatives – Bus Rapid Transit

Eastside Transit Corridor - Phase 2 Alternative 15: Pomona - Route 60 Busway to I-605 (Bus)



Summary of Screening Recommendations

Four LRT and one bus alternative in four corridors:

State Route 60

- SR 60 LRT to I-605 (Alternative 2 revised)
- SR 60 Busway to I-605 (Alternative 15 revised)

Beverly Boulevard

- Garfield/Beverly/Whittier Greenway LRT (Alternative 6 revised)

Whittier Boulevard

- Garfield/ Whittier LRT (Alternative 11 revised)

Washington Boulevard

- Garfield/Washington LRT (Alternative 13 revised)



Next Steps

- **Community Outreach Meetings**
 - April 9th – Whittier
 - April 12th – South El Monte
 - April 14th – Montebello
 - April 17th – Pico Rivera
- **Alternatives Analysis Draft Report (July)**
- **Metro Board Meeting (Late Summer)**
- **Next Community Meetings (Fall 2008)**

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Public Comments