



Community Meeting June 27, 2024

SOUTHBOUND I-605 SOUTH STREET OFF-RAMP
IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT



Bienvenidos/Welcome



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- › Pick the language you would like to listen to (Spanish)

Interpretación en español

Via Zoom

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Housekeeping

Today's meeting is being recorded.
The recording and PDF will be posted on metro.net.



Attendee cameras are off and microphones are muted.



During the meeting, questions can be submitted using the Q&A icon.



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Code of Conduct

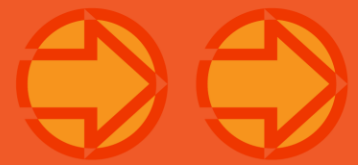
Metro is committed to ensuring that all participants can fairly and clearly share ideas, comments, and concerns about this project. To provide a safe and equitable process, we are asking for your help.

During This meeting, please:

- › Respect the format of the meeting
- › Treat fellow community members, agency representatives, Metro staff, and others with respect
- › Please address all comments to Metro staff and consultants
- › Maintain a conversational tone

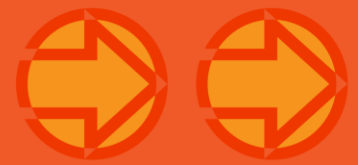


Metro's three priorities for addressing public safety



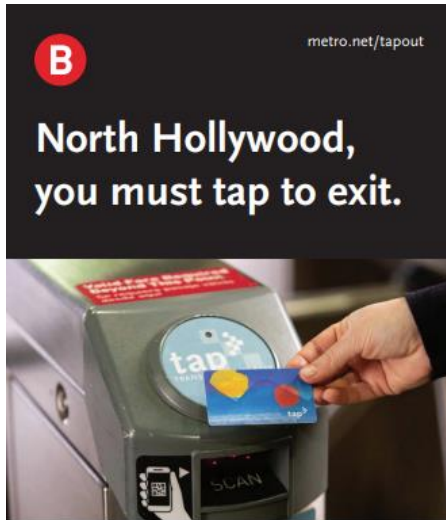
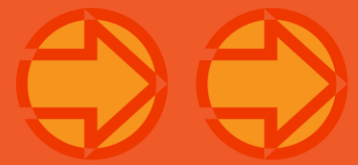
1. Increase the visible presence of uniformed personnel
2. Enhance access control
3. Strengthen partnerships to address societal issues

Increasing our visible presence



- Metro has begun surging presence of Metro Transit Security and Metro Ambassadors by 20%.
 - Increased teams riding on buses and trains
 - Increased issue reporting
 - Increased fare and code of conduct enforcement
- Contracted law enforcement partners have now begun to expand their visible presence.

STATION ACCESS CONTROL



Starting **May 28, 2024**, turnstiles will not open unless you tap your valid TAP card when you enter **and exit** North Hollywood Station.

Learn more at metro.net/tapout.

> The system is safer when everyone on it is there for its intended purpose: transit.

Metro is:

- > Increasing fare enforcement through the surge of Transit Safety Officers on the system.
- > Launching a pilot program at the North Hollywood B Line station fare gates to see if requiring people also to tap OUT would help confirm that valid fare was paid, improving fare compliance.
- > Right-sizing stations through interventions that improve lighting and control access to space.
- > Evaluating possible fare gate improvements.

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THANK YOU

Agenda

- > **Introductions**
- > **Project Overview**
- > Project Stages
- > Project Schedule/Look Ahead
- > **Community Outreach**
- > **Questions and Answers**



Project Team

> **Construction Relations**

- Ron Macias, Community Relations Manager

> **Metro Construction**

- Metro Project Team

> **Contractor**

- Powell Constructors

> **New Media Team**

- Katrice Candler, Principal Community Relations Officer
- Kimberly Sanchez, Transportation Associate



Project Overview

I-605 Hot Spot Program

- SB I-605 South Street Off-ramp Improvements Project is a component of a broader program to enhance Your commute
- The SB I-605 South Street Off-ramp Improvements Project is an Early Action Project of the I-605 Hot Spots Program, making enhancements to highways in the Gateway Cities and San Gabriel Valley to improve areas of chronic traffic congestion.



SR-91/I-605/I-405 Corridors Program



Project Overview

- > SB I-605 from the 183rd St freeway overpass to South St Off-ramp
- > Project Construction Limits - 0.8-mile, with 0.5 mile connector road
- > 1500+ feet of new retaining wall
- > Total Life-of-Project Budget: \$33.2 Million
- > Funded by local Measure R and State Highway Infrastructure Program (HIP)



Project Overview

- > Off-ramp improvements to add a turning lane on the southbound I-605 South St off-ramp
- > Added right turn lane provides deceleration distance for motorists exiting the freeway
- > The reconfiguration of the off-ramp will help ease congestion, enhance mobility, improve safety and improve regional traffic flow
- > At the completion of the project two dedicated turning lanes for each movement of traffic will be in place at the off-ramp at the intersection with South St

Project Overview: Approval Schedule

- > Environmental certification – March 28, 2019
- > Construction design plans approved – October 11, 2019
- > Project approved by the Metro Board of Directors - November 30, 2023
- > Notice of Award (NOA) - March 12, 2024
- > Notice to Proceed (NTP) to Powell Constructors - May 31, 2024
- > Anticipated start of construction - summer 2024
- > Anticipated project construction completion - May 2025



Project Overview: Work Activities

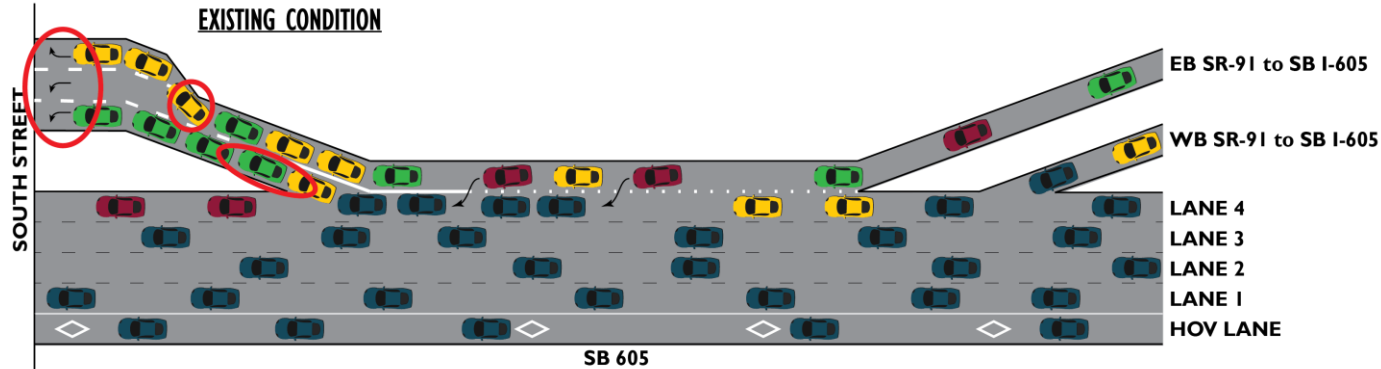
> Project work activities include:

- Ramp construction and reconfiguration
- Retaining wall construction
- Drainage systems
- Overhead signs foundation
- Intersections improvements
- Landscaping

> The Project will be constructed in multiple stages

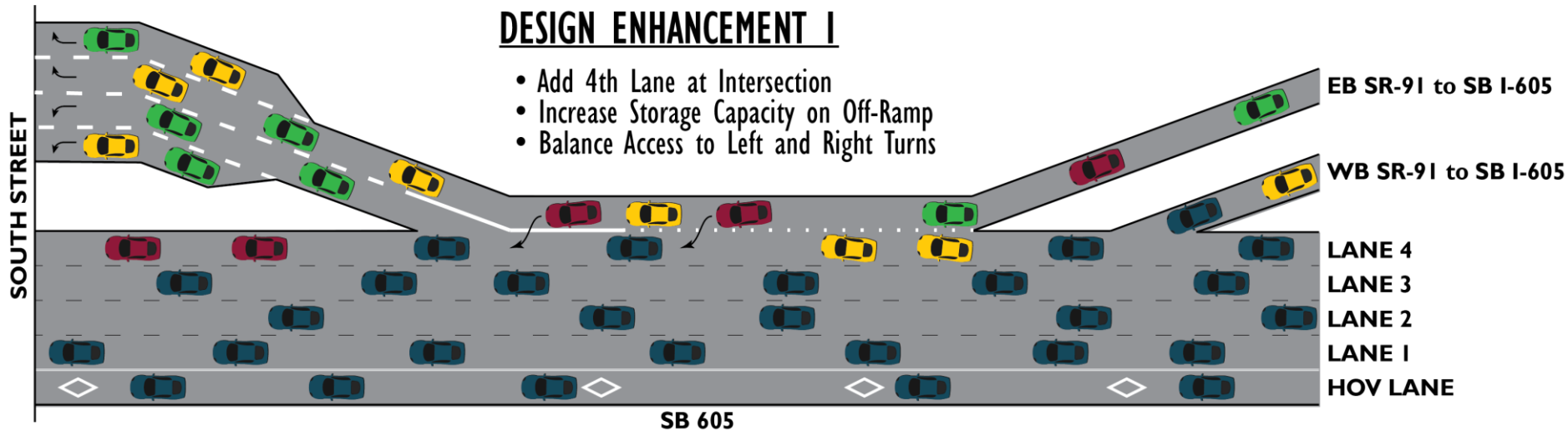


Project Overview: Existing Traffic Operational Issues



LEGEND	
	I-605 Through
	I-605 to South Street
	EB SR-91 to South Street
	EB SR-91 to SB I-605

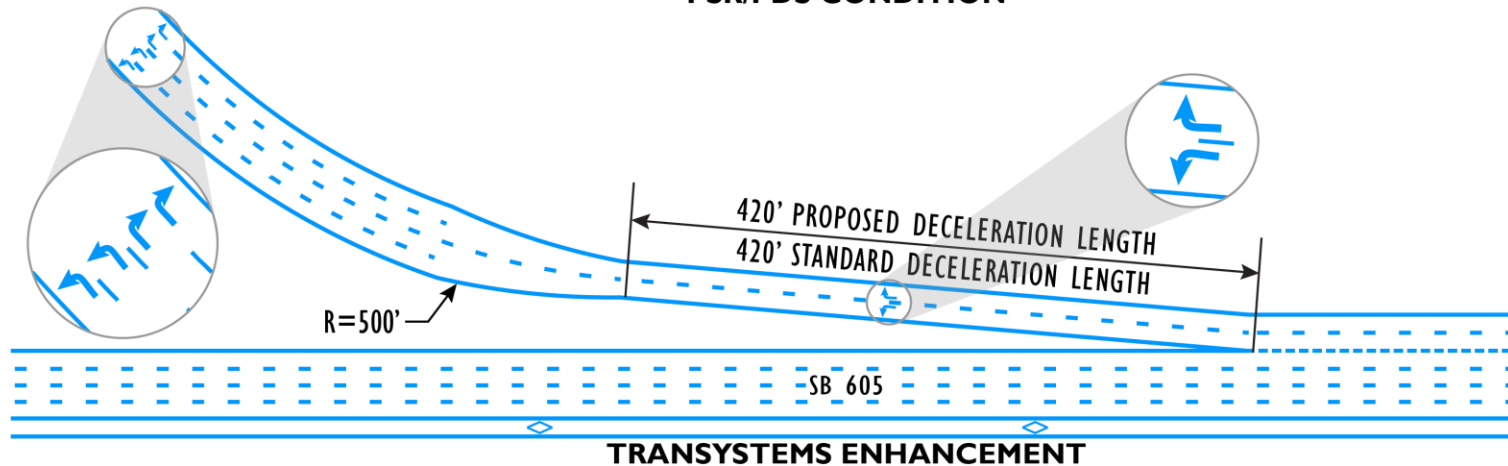
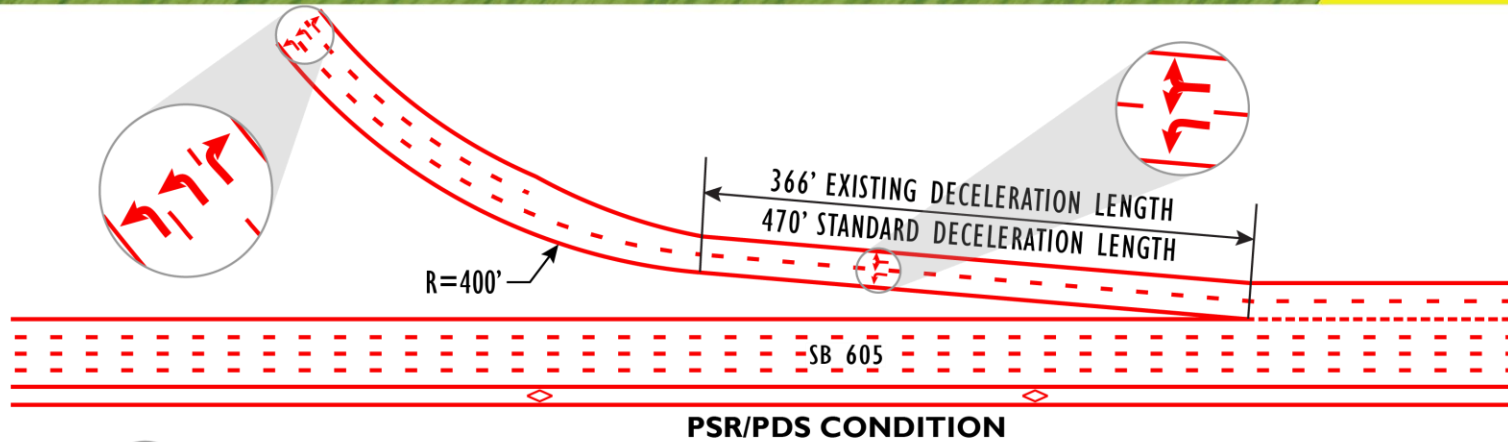
Project Overview: Proposed Alternative Operational Benefit



LEGEND	
	I-605 Through
	I-605 to South Street
	EB SR-91 to South Street
	EB SR-91 to SB I-605



Project Overview: Proposed Design Enhancement Operational Benefit



Project Overview: Improve Visibility & Enhance Safety

Add Yellow Border to Traffic Signals



Existing



Proposed

Project Overview: Improve Visibility & Enhance Safety (cont.)

Additional off-ramp improvements and safety features:

- > High visibility crosswalks with wider pavement striping
- > Upgraded lighting
- > New ADA compliant curb ramp at the off-ramp intersection with South Street will be added.
- > Signal timing optimization will improve traffic circulation for both the off-ramp and South Street.

Project Stages

Stage	Duration	Key Construction Activities	What to Expect
Stage 1	Jul 2024 – Aug 2024	Clear and Grub, Grading, Temporary Asphalt Paving	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic shifted to right side of off ramp. • Intermittent nightly off-ramp closures
Stage 2A	Jul 2024 – Feb 2025	Retaining Wall Construction, Drainage Improvements, Temporary Traffic Signals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No lane reductions from November 1 - January 15 • Intermittent nightly off-ramp closures
Stage 2B	Feb 2025 – 5 Days	New Concrete Pavement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Off ramp reduced to 2 lanes. Traffic shifted to left lanes • Intermittent nightly off-ramp closures
Stage 3A	Feb 2025 – 5 Days	New Concrete Pavement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Off ramp reduced to 2 lanes. Traffic shifted to right lanes • Intermittent nightly off-ramp closures
Stage 3B	Feb 2025 – Apr 2025	New Concrete Pavement, Landscaping, Final Restorations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic returned to 3 lanes • Intermittent nightly off-ramp closures



Project Schedule/Look Ahead

Activity	Date/Hours	Location	What to Expect
Install advisory and informational signs & storm water protection measures	Early-mid July, M - F	SB South St off-ramp, SB I-605 freeway	No impacts to motorists are anticipated
Create work zone, lane restriping, install concrete barriers, landscape removal. Build temporary roadway.	Mid-late July, M – F	SB South St off-ramp	Nightly ramp closures. Detour to next available ramp
Push traffic to the eastside of the ramp, install concrete barriers on the westside, remove landscaping & excavate for retaining wall construction	Late July through Fall; M – F	SB South St off-ramp	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extend auxiliary lane from 183rd St • Intermittent nightly ramp closures



Community Outreach

> Public Outreach to Date

- Coordination with jurisdictional agencies
- Coordination with Cerritos Shopping Center and Cerrito Auto Square
- Community Meeting announcement dissemination
- Construction notice dissemination
- Electronic newsletter communication
- Next Door notification
- Project website



Community & Public Outreach: Door – to – Door Notification



Southbound I-605 South St Improvements Project
Project Initiation 1/8/2024

Summary: Construction of the Southbound (SB) Interstate (I) 605 South Street Off-Ramp Improvements Project, an 0.8-mile connector road from State Route 91 (SR- 91) to the South Street off-ramp, will add a right turn lane and provide a standard deceleration distance for motorists exiting the freeway. By reconfiguring the South Street southbound off-ramp, the project will help ease congestion, enhance mobility, improve public safety and improve regional traffic flow.

Date and Work Hours: Construction is anticipated to start March 2024 and is anticipated to last for approximately one year. Anticipated work hours are Monday to Friday, 7am to 3:30pm, and nightwork as needed, 9pm to 5am.

Location: SB I-605 South Street off-ramp, from SR-91 to the South Street off-ramp

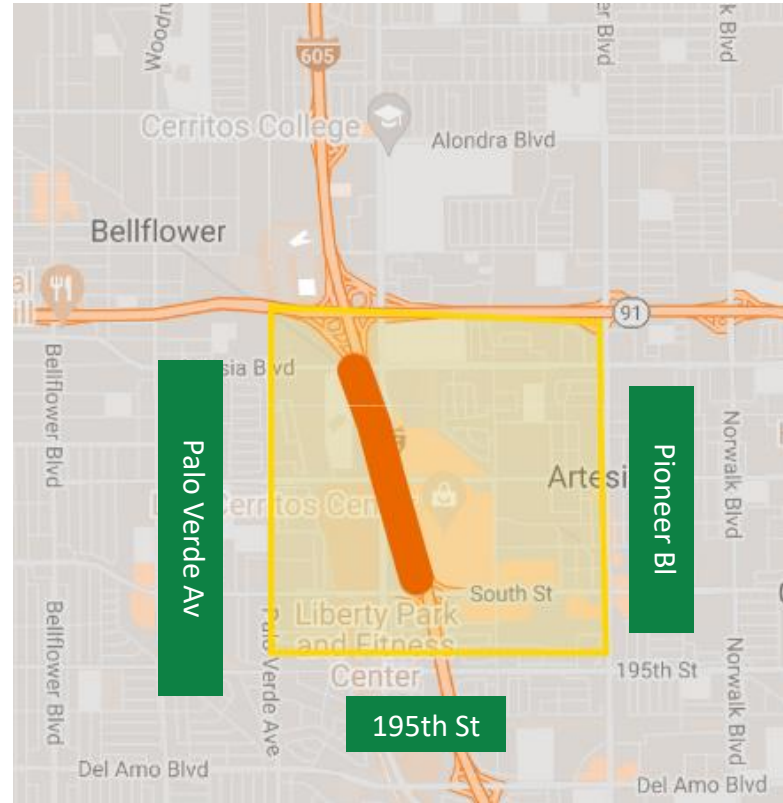
What to Expect:
Traffic barriers will separate the work zone from traffic.
The SB I-605 South Street off-ramp may be closed as needed at night, Monday to Friday, 9 pm to 5 am. Detour wayfinding signs will direct motorists.

Noteworthy

- The SB I-605 South Street off-ramp terminus will be reduced to two lanes during the period of construction.
- The SB I-605 South Street off-ramp exit, freeway mainline, will be reduced to one lane during the period of construction.
- **Plan ahead.** Anticipate traffic delays during the period of construction.
- Construction is dynamic and schedules are subject to change.

Contact Us

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English/Spanish construction notices are issued for activities impacting the public.

Door-to-door distribution of notice map, 0.5 – 1 mile of project alignment

Stay connected to this project.



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Questions & Answers