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## Tonight's Agenda

- **6:00 – 6:30 PM Open House**
- **6:30 – 7:00 PM Metro Presentation**
- **7:00 – 8:00 PM Public Comment**





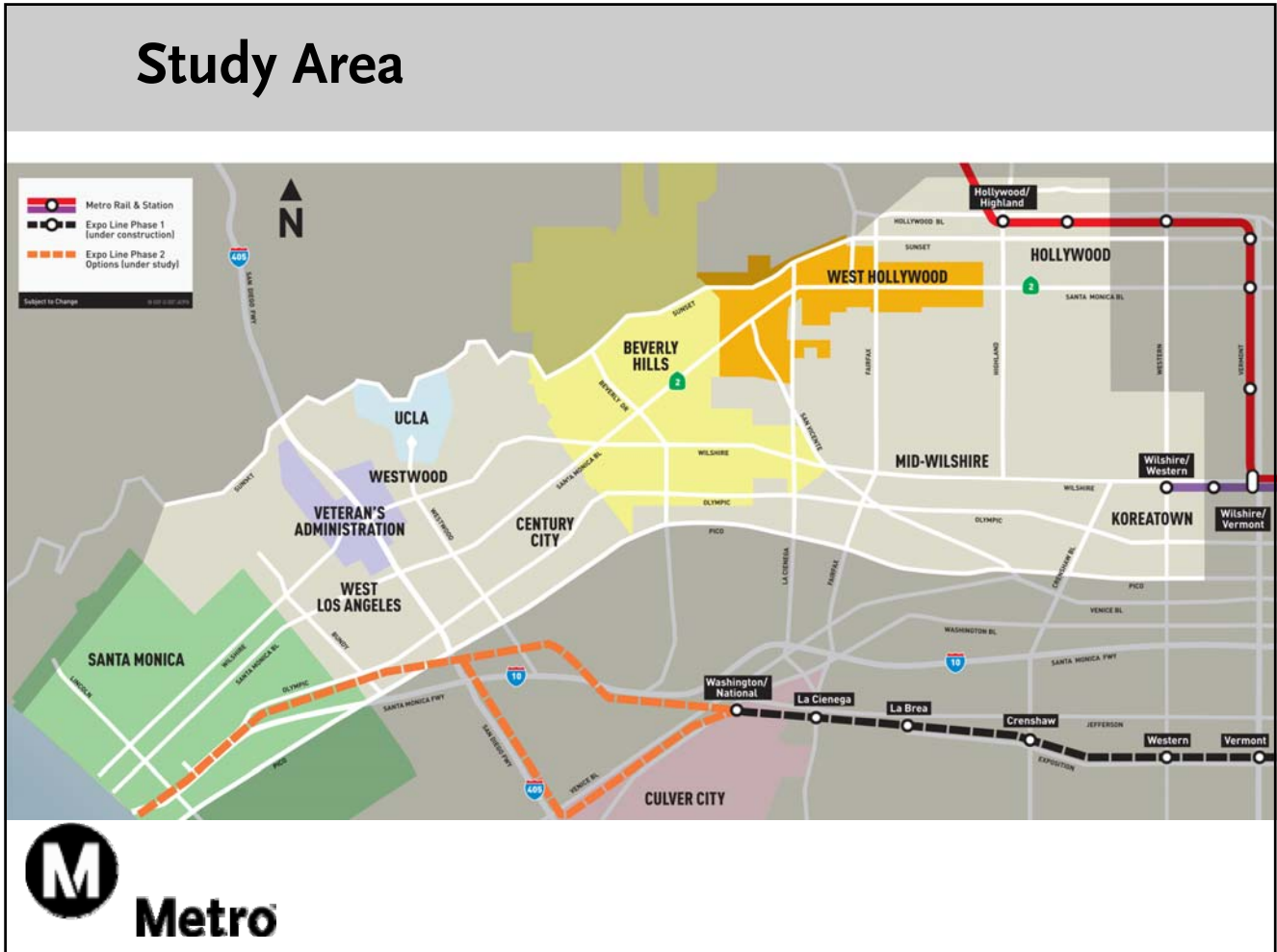
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# Early Public Scoping Meetings

October 2007



# Study Area



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# Alternatives Analysis

## Process and Schedule

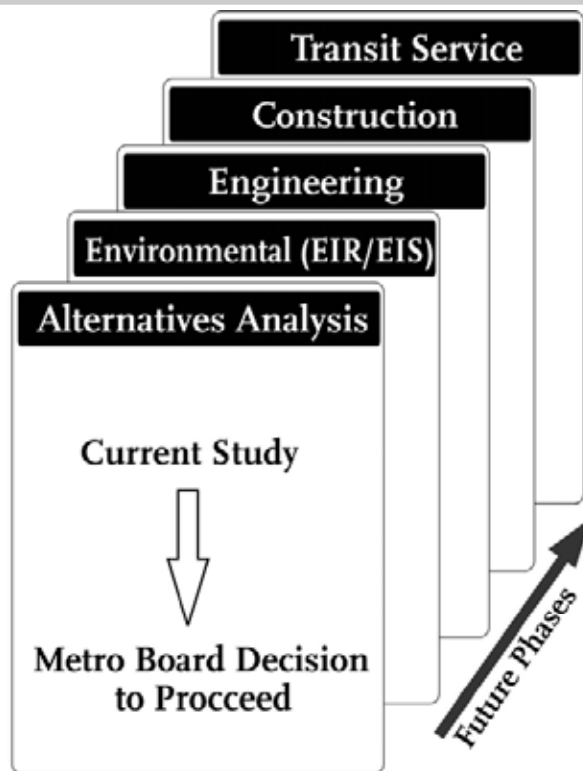


## What is an Alternatives Analysis?

- **First step in defining a project**
- **Evaluation of a wide range of alternatives & issues, including:**
  - Modes
  - Alignments
  - Station locations
  - Segment lengths
- **Includes public comments from scoping**
- **Screening of alternatives to move into environmental analysis**



# Project Development Process



## Alternatives Analysis Schedule

<b>Public Scoping Meetings</b>	<b>October 2007</b>
<b>Public Comment Period Closes</b>	<b>November 1, 2007</b>
<b>Initial Alternatives Screening Report</b>	<b>January/February 2008</b>
<b>Completion of AA Study Report</b> <b>Recommendation to Board of Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA)</b>	<b>Summer 2008</b>



## Possible AA Study Outcomes

1. **Board adopts Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA)**
  - Authorizes moving forward into Preliminary Engineering (PE) and DEIS/DEIR
2. **Board does not adopt LPA**
  - Authorizes DEIS/DEIR for 2 or more alternatives
  - Defers PE until end of DEIS/DEIR
3. **Board does not adopt LPA and does not authorize further actions/study**





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## Why This Study?



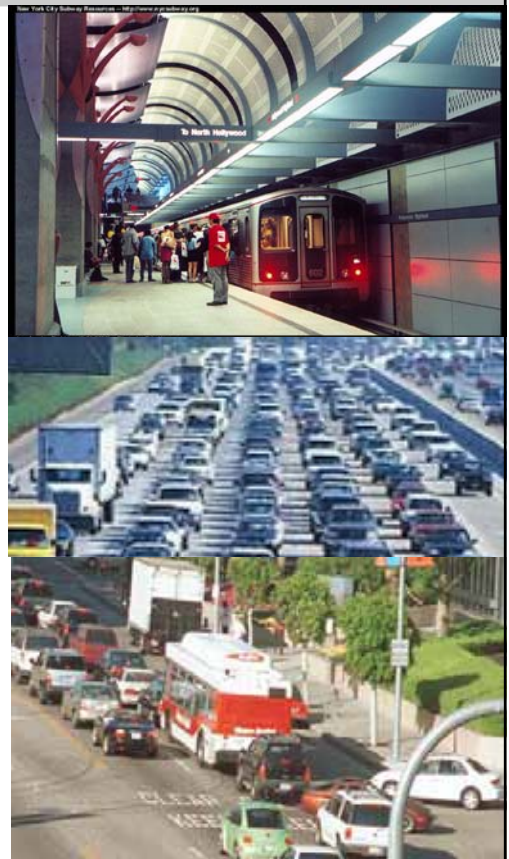
## What's New?

- Long history of studying transit alternatives
- Renewed interest in considering options
- Improved tunneling technology

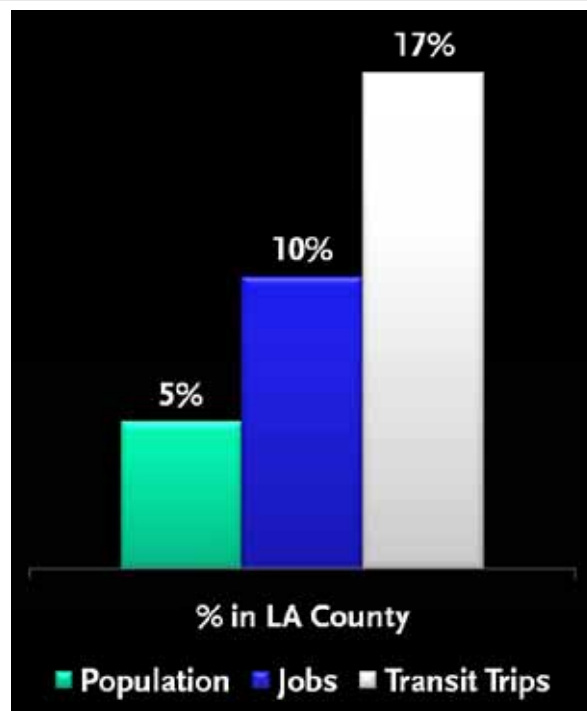
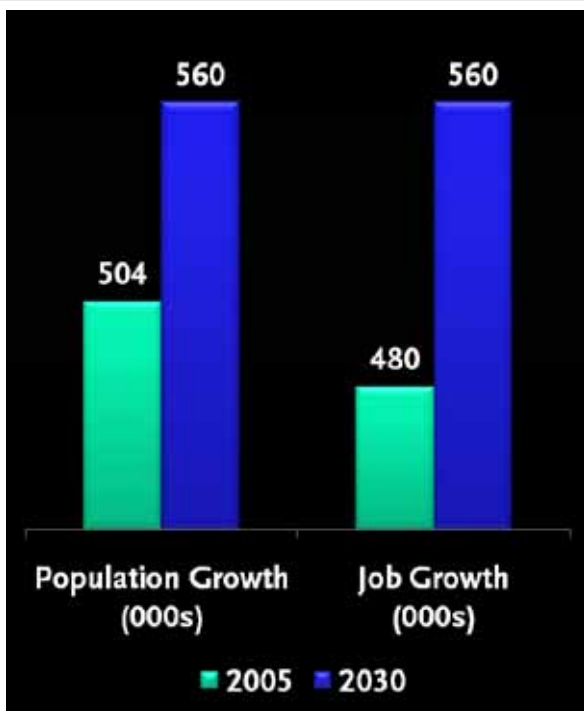


## Growing Congestion on Westside

- High demand bus & rail lines
- Increasing traffic congestion
- Growing transit network requires regional connectivity
- Built-out streets & highways

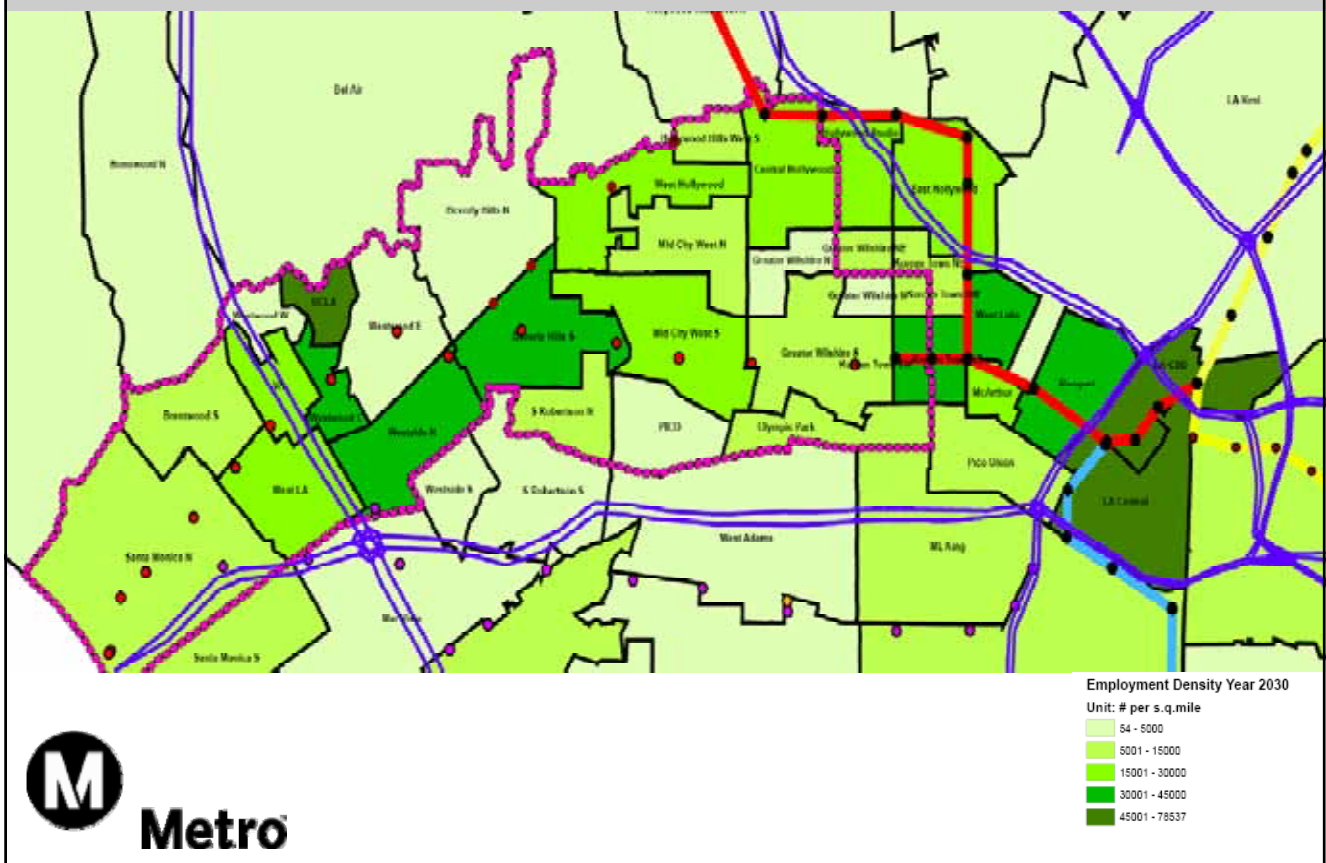


## Why Consider a Major Investment for the Westside?





# Westside Year 2030 Employment Density



# What Will We Study?

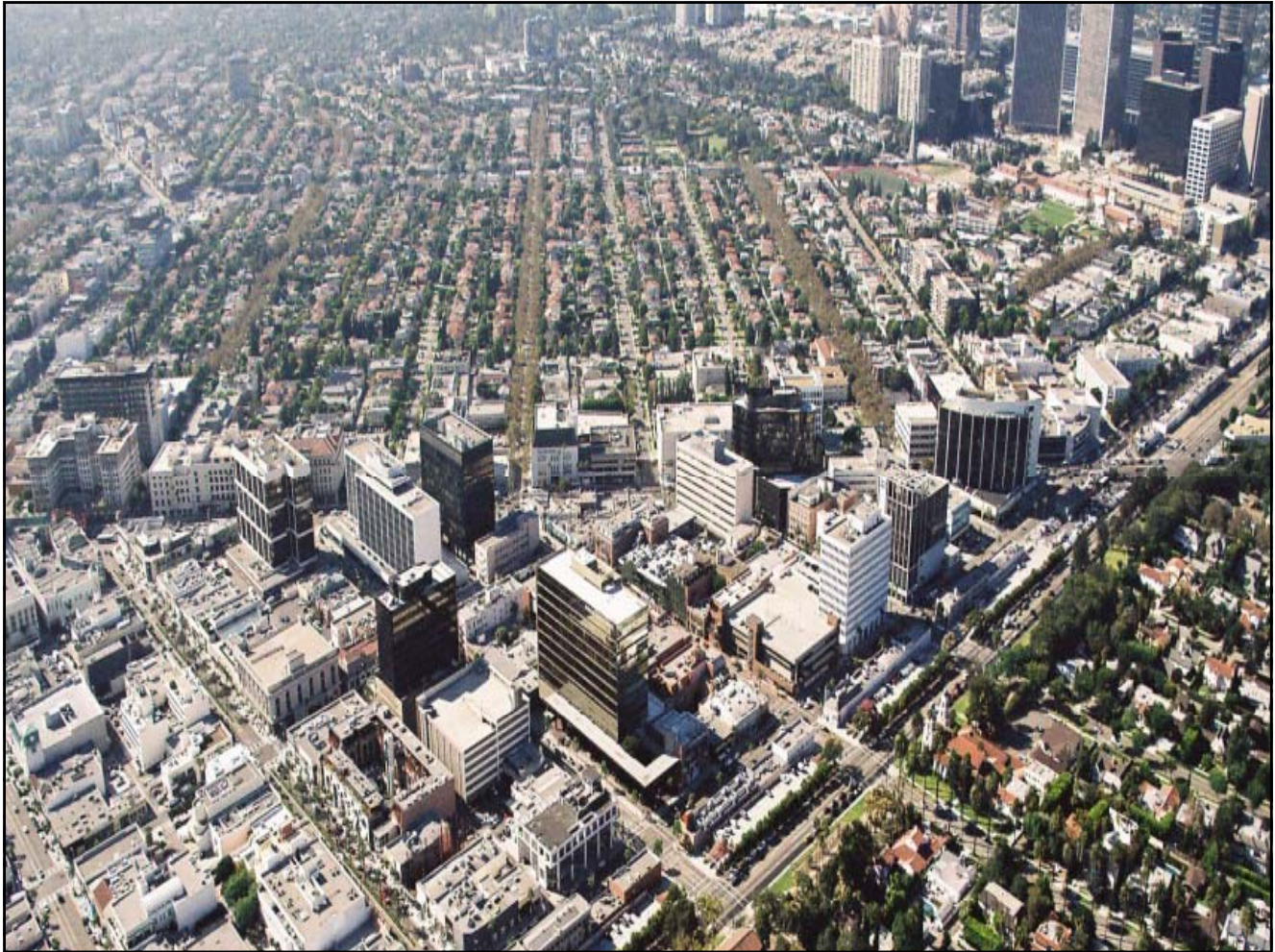
Possible Alignments, Stations & Modes  
Evaluation Criteria

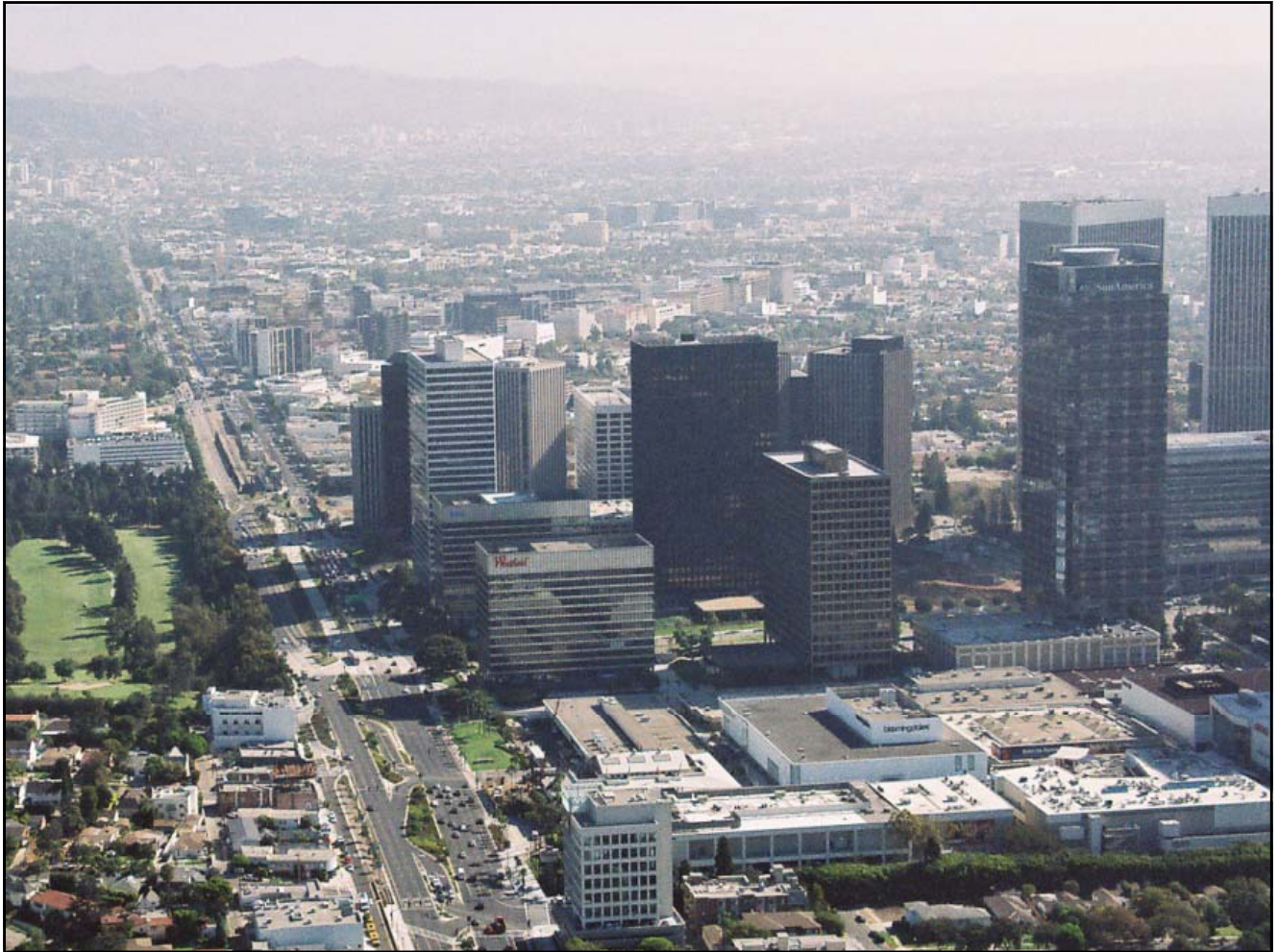
# Possible Alignments

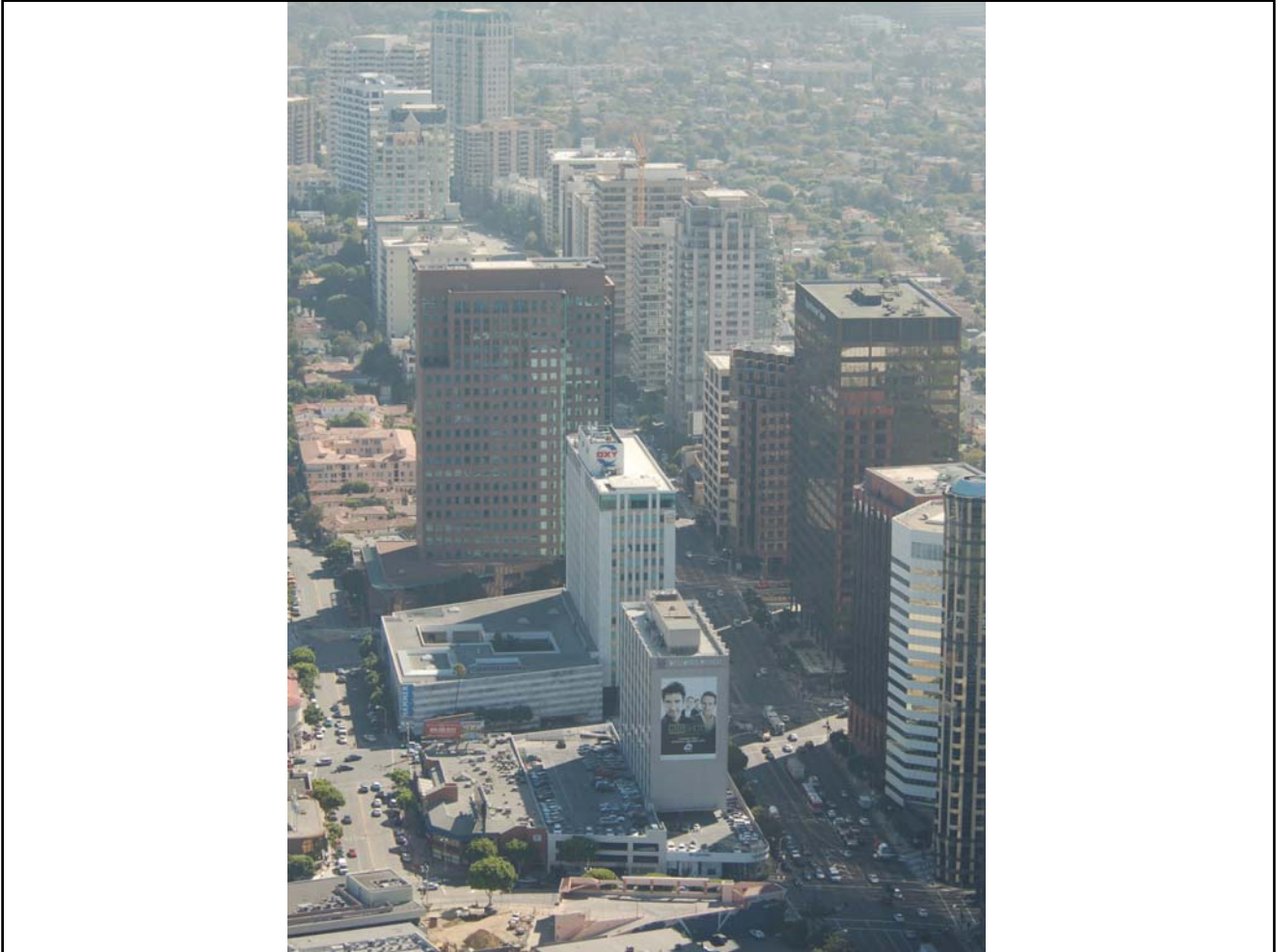




















## Different Metro Modes

- Heavy Rail
- Light Rail
- Bus Rapid Transit
- Rapid Bus



## Mode: Heavy Rail Transit (HRT)

- Fully grade separated
- 3<sup>rd</sup> rail electrical power
- Up to 70 mph
- Up to 6 cars/train
- Up to 1,000 passengers/train
- One mile station spacing
- 450-foot station length
- Metro Red & Purple Lines



## Mode: Light Rail Transit (LRT)

- At grade, below grade or above grade
- Exclusive lane
- Overhead electrical power
- Up to 55 mph
- Up to 3 cars/train
- Up to 500 passengers/train
- One mile station spacing
- 270-foot station length
- Metro Blue, Green & Gold Lines



## Mode: Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)

- At grade
- Exclusive lane
- Clean fuel (CNG) power
- Up to 60 mph
- Up to 65-foot long articulated bus
- Up to 100 passengers/bus
- One mile station spacing
- 200-foot station length
- Metro Orange Line



## Mode: Metro Rapid Bus

- At grade
- Mixed flow lanes
- Clean fuel (CNG) power
- Up to posted speed
- Up to 60-foot long articulated bus
- Up to 84 passengers/bus
- $\frac{3}{4}$  mile station spacing
- Station length varies



## How Will We Decide?

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





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# Public Involvement

## Scoping and Community Engagement



# Public Scoping Meetings

Westwood Century City	Hollywood West Hollywood	Wilshire Center Koreatown	Beverly Hills	Santa Monica
Tuesday, October 9	Thursday, October 11	Tuesday, October 16	Wednesday, October 17	Thursday, October 18
6:00 to 8:00 p.m.	6:00 to 8:00 p.m.	6:00 to 8:00 p.m.	6:00 to 8:00 p.m.	6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Emerson Middle School	Pan Pacific Recreation Center	Wilshire United Methodist Church	Beverly Hills Public Library	Santa Monica Public Library
1650 Selby Avenue Los Angeles	7600 Beverly Boulevard Los Angeles	4350 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles	444 North Rexford Drive Beverly Hills	601 Santa Monica Boulevard Santa Monica



## Early Public Scoping Process

- **Comment Period:**  
**Through November 1, 2007**
- **After November 1:**
  - **Technical analysis of alternatives and criteria**
  - **“Scoping Report” issued**
    - Summarizing results of scoping and comments
    - Identifying new alternatives and criteria
- **We welcome ongoing comments on alternatives under review**



## Opportunities to Provide Input

- Complete comment form
- By Mail:
  - David Mieger, Project Manager  
One Gateway Plaza – MS 99-22-5  
Los Angeles, CA 90012
- By Phone:
  - 213.922.6934
- Send digital audio/video files to:
  - [westsideextension@metro.net](mailto:westsideextension@metro.net)
- On the web at:
  - [www.metro.net/westside](http://www.metro.net/westside)
  - click on “Contact Us”



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## **Public Comment**

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**213.922.6934**



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