



Next stop: a new way to ride between NoHo and Pasadena.

NOHO TO PASADENA TRANSIT CORRIDOR



Metro



Public Scoping Meeting
July 2019

Open House

During this 20-minute Open House session, you have an opportunity to:

- > Get questions answered by the team
- > Sign up to speak
- > Provide your comments directly to the court-reporter
- > Write down your comments and submit them in the boxes located around the room

All comments/questions received during the scoping period will be considered in preparing the Draft Environmental Impact Report

Presentation Overview

- > Welcome
- > Metro Overview
- > Environmental Review/Purpose of Scoping
- > Key Features of Bus Rapid Transit
- > Project Overview
- > Scoping Process
- > Overview of Public Comment Session

Metro Overview

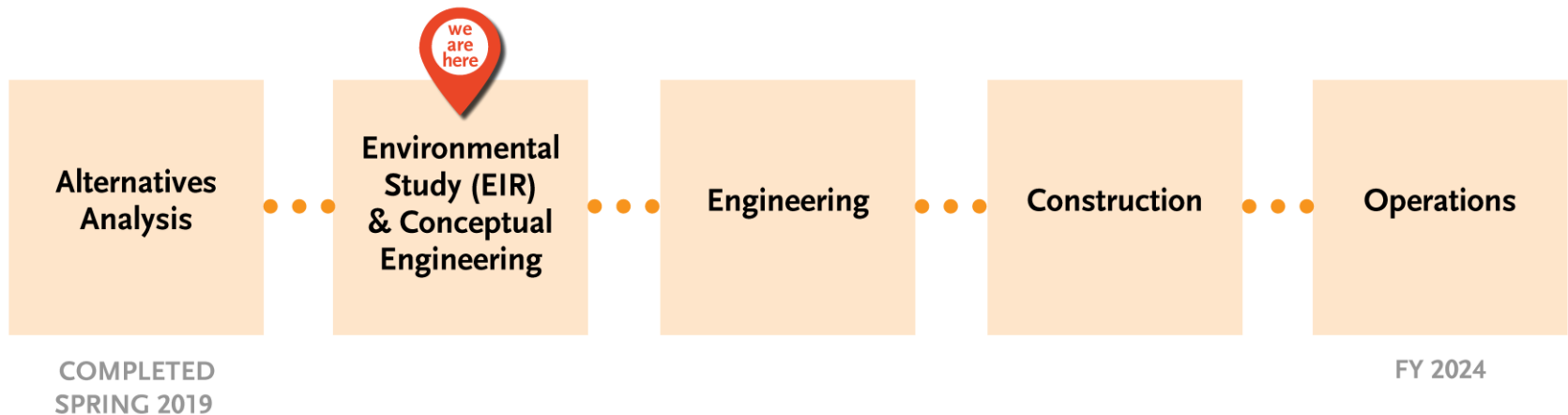
Why are we doing this?

- > Metro **plans, builds and operates** Los Angeles County's transportation system
- > Metro works to **expand and improve** the transit network across LA County
- > Taxpayers count on Metro to provide **high quality, reliable and frequent** mobility options
- > Metro has adopted a **Vision for 2028** that is guided by five principles:
 1. High quality mobility options
 2. Outstanding trip experiences for all
 3. Enhancing communities and lives
 4. Transform LA County through collaboration and partnerships
 5. Responsive, accountable and trustworthy

Project Development

> Measure M project

- \$267 million in Measure M & SB1 funds (Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program)



Ongoing community involvement is vital to the planning and environmental process

Project Background

- > February 2017 – Completed Technical Study Report
 - Analyzed existing travel patterns for the 700,000 daily trips within the study area
 - Identified initial street-running and freeway-running concepts
- > April 2019 – Completed Alternatives Analysis (AA)
 - Evaluated three (3) BRT alternatives: street-running, freeway-running and hybrid street/freeway-running
 - Recommended a Refined Street-Running Alternative with route options to be advanced into environmental phase
- > May 2019 – Metro Board advanced project into environmental phase

Ongoing Community Outreach



2017 TECHNICAL STUDY

- 4 Community Meetings
- 10 City Council/Agency Meetings
- 4 Neighborhood Group Meetings

Key takeaways:

- > General overall support for project
- > Received feedback on various routes
- > Need for serving key destinations along the corridor
- > Concerns over loss of travel and/or parking lanes



ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS

- 5 Community Meetings
- 15 City Council/Agency Meetings
- 10 Neighborhood Group Meetings
- 7 Community Events

Key takeaways:

- > General overall support for project
- > Concerns over loss of travel and/or parking lanes
- > Need for safe and effective pedestrian/bicycle connections
- > Preference for street-running BRT



SCOPING

- 5 Scoping Meetings
- Noticing Activities:
 - Corridor-wide Mailings
 - Social Media Ads
 - Newspaper Ads
 - Community Events
 - NextDoor Post
 - Metro Website
 - City Websites
 - Elected Officials Websites
 - E-Blasts to contact list

Project Goals and Objectives

- > Provide a new, **premium transit** option to retain existing riders and attract new riders
- > Provide quick and convenient **access** to major local and regional activity/employment centers
- > Enhance **connectivity** to regional transit network
- > Provide improved passenger **comfort** and **convenience**
- > Improve **air quality** and create healthier communities
- > Support **community plans**

Environmental Review Initiated

- > **California Environmental Quality Act** (CEQA) requires community engagement when planning a Project
- > Analysis of the benefits and impacts of a Project are evaluated through an **Environmental Impact Report** (EIR)
- > Public feedback opportunities:
 - Scoping (June 17 – July 31, 2019)
 - Draft EIR completion
 - Final EIR

We've Heard Your Concerns

- > Impacts that dedicated bus lanes could have on:
 - Street parking
 - Traffic
 - Medians and/or green space
 - Community character
- > Draft EIR will study any potential impacts and identify possible measures to reduce and/or eliminate them

Purpose of Scoping

> What is Scoping?

- Present the purpose of the project
- Identify the project goals and objectives
- Define the alternatives under consideration
- Determine major issues for environmental analysis
- Obtain public and agency input

> How can you get involved?

- Provide comments and relevant project information
- Help us understand what we should study
- Keep up to date on the project via our contact list and website at *metro.net/nohopasbrt*

Bus Rapid Transit



- > Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) is a premium transit service designed to be more like rail
- > Key features may include:
 - Dedicated bus lanes
 - Transit signal priority
 - Limited stops
 - High frequency service
 - Branded vehicles and stations
 - Enhanced stations and wayfinding

Complement Community Character



Sustainability

Land Use Mix

Streetscaping

Sense of Place

Mobility Choices

A Congestion Relief Perspective

60 People in a car



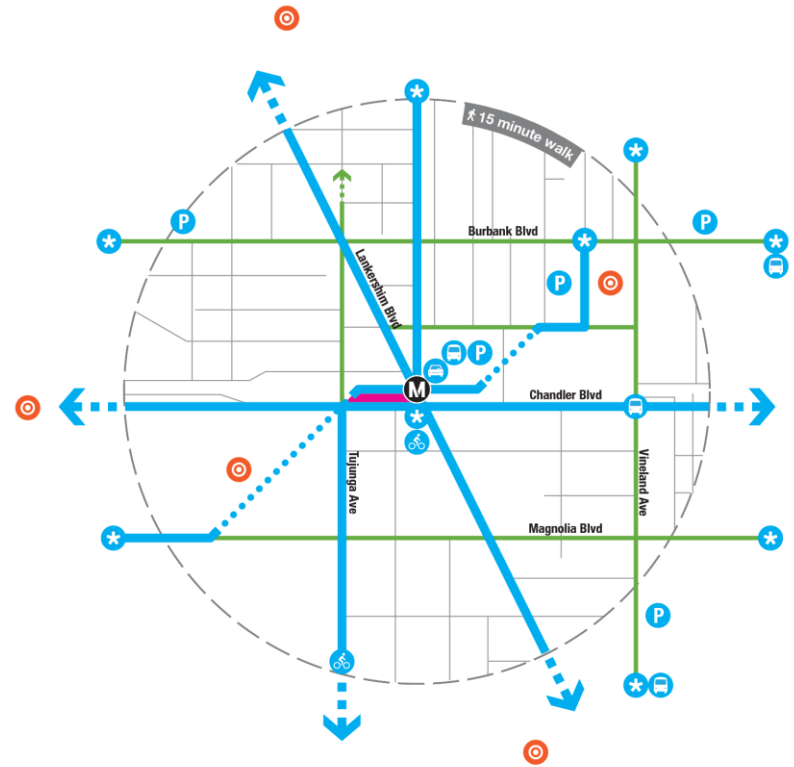
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First/Last Mile Study

- > Project will also contemplate first/last mile **connections**
- > Most riders **walk** or **bike** to access transit
- > Project will coordinate with local jurisdictions to identify **key access routes**
- > Study will look at **station access** and **safety**



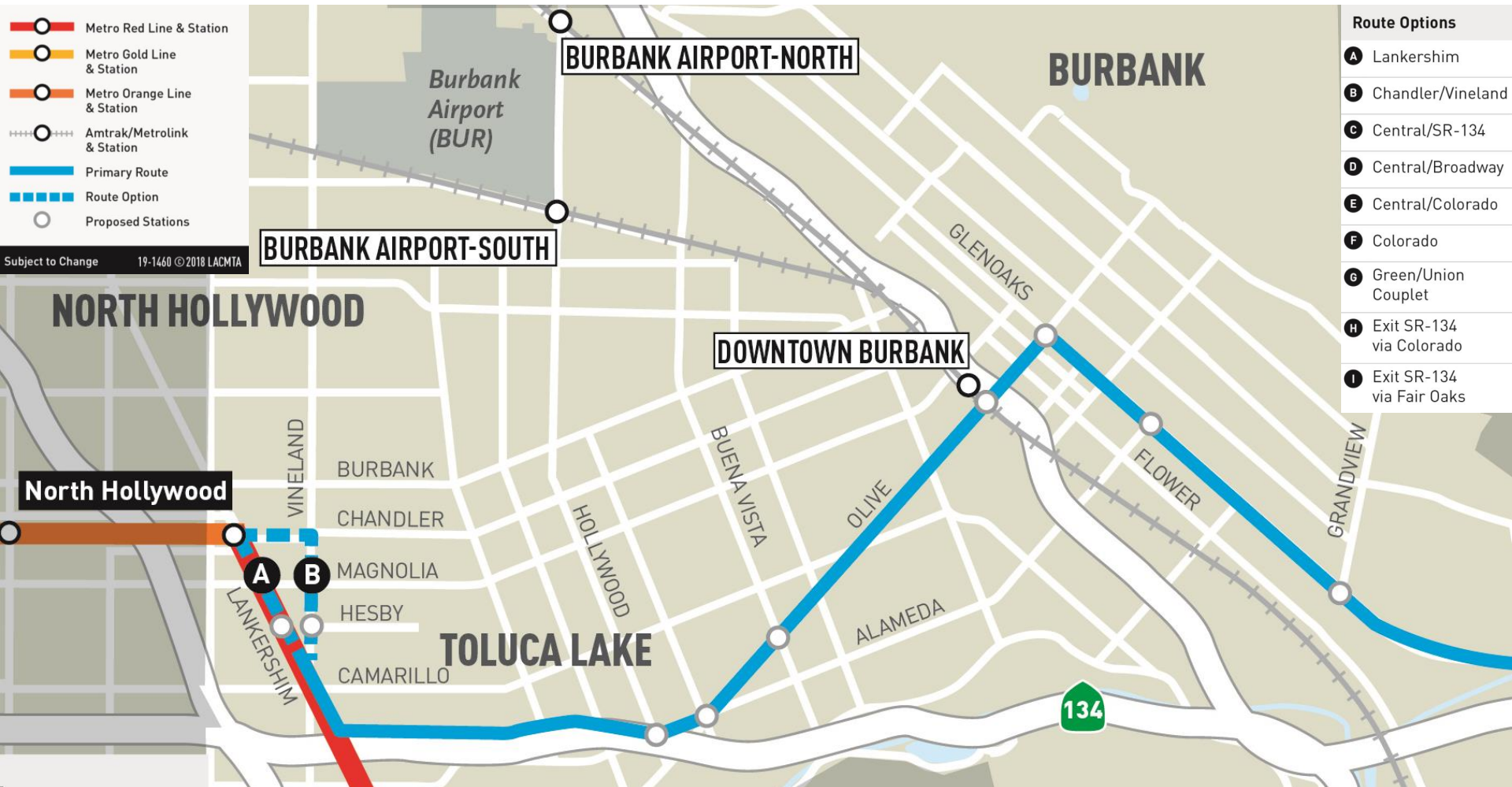
Project Description

- > Project corridor spans approximately **18 miles** from North Hollywood through Burbank, Glendale and Eagle Rock to Pasadena
- > Approximately **18-21 stations** (station locations are preliminary)
- > Connects to the Metro Red, Orange and Gold Lines, Metrolink, and several bus lines
- > Bus lane options could include: **curb-running, side-running** or **median/center-running**

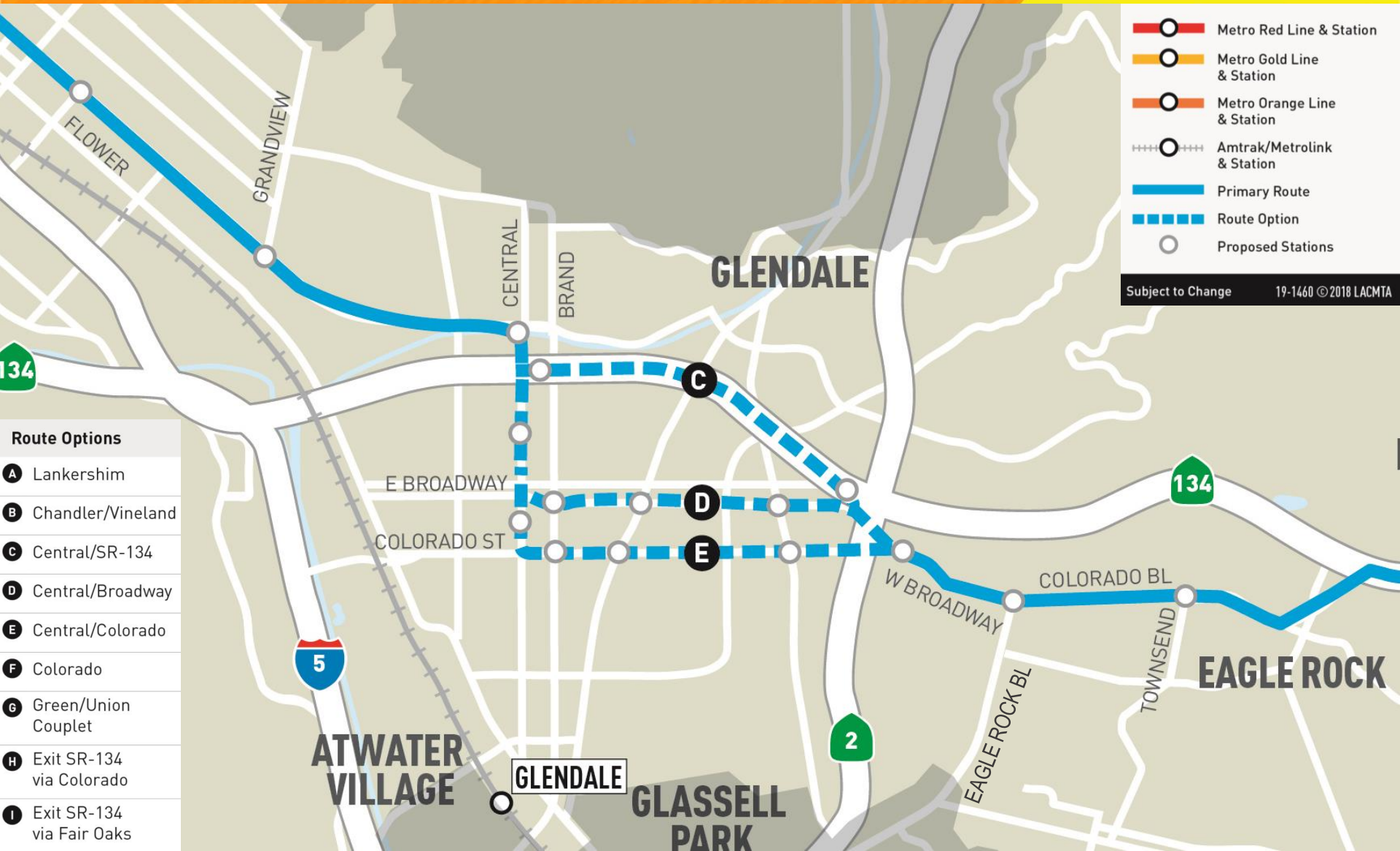
Proposed Project with Route Options



North Hollywood / Burbank



Glendale / Eagle Rock



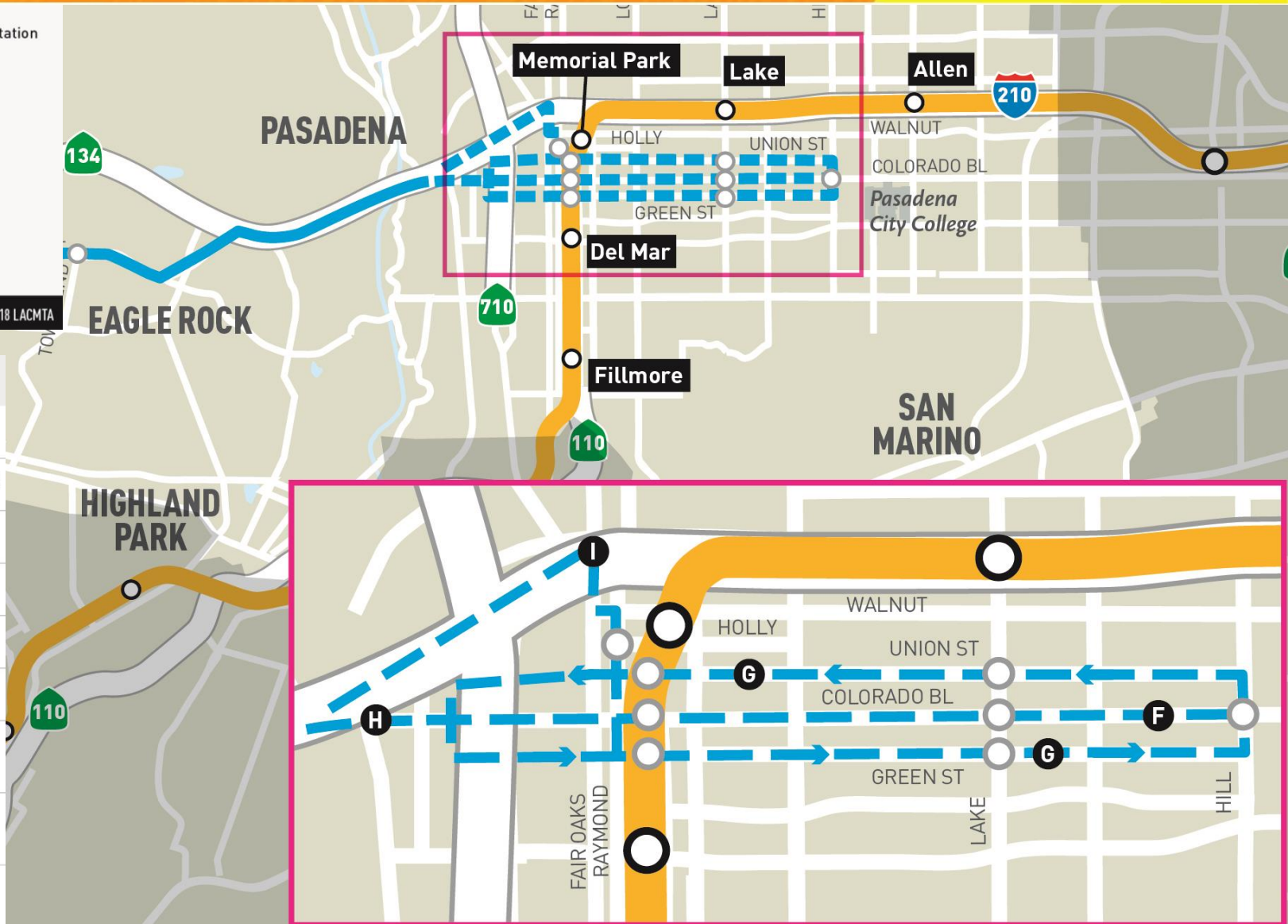
Pasadena

-  Metro Red Line & Station
-  Metro Gold Line & Station
-  Metro Orange Line & Station
-  Amtrak/MetroLink & Station
-  Primary Route
-  Route Option
-  Proposed Stations

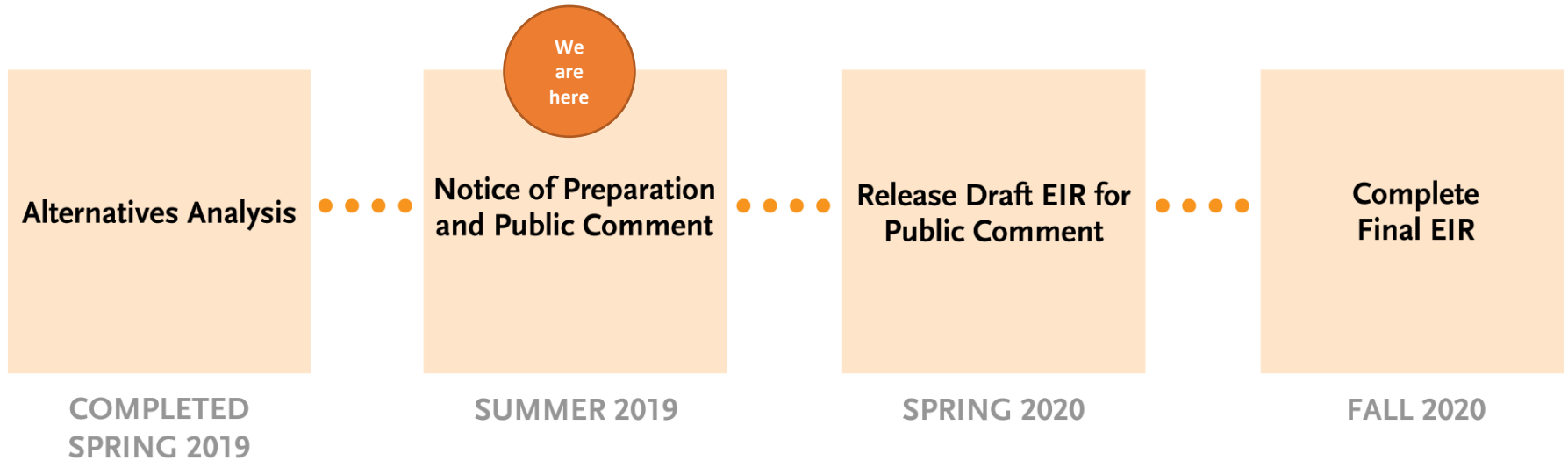
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Route Options

- A** Lankershim
- B** Chandler/Vineland
- C** Central/SR-134
- D** Central/Broadway
- E** Central/Colorado
- F** Colorado
- G** Green/Union Couplet
- H** Exit SR-134 via Colorado
- I** Exit SR-134 via Fair Oaks



Environmental Process Timeline



Ongoing community involvement is vital to the planning and environmental process

Public Scoping Meetings

Tuesday July 9th

5:30 – 7:30 pm

Lankershim Arts Center
5108 Lankershim Blvd
Los Angeles, CA 91601

Wednesday July 10th

6:00 – 8:00 pm

Pasadena Senior Center
85 E. Holly St
Pasadena, CA 91103

Saturday July 13th

1:00 – 3:00 pm

Eagle Rock Plaza
2700 Colorado Blvd,
Suite 236
Los Angeles, CA 90041

Monday July 15th

6:00 – 8:00 pm

Buena Vista Library
300 N. Buena Vista St
Burbank, CA 91505

Wednesday July 17th

5:30 – 7:30 pm

Glendale Central Library
222 E. Harvard St
Glendale, CA 91205

Submit Comments

- > Official scoping comment period Monday, **June 17th** through Wednesday, **July 31st, 2019**
- > Submit comments today or at a future scoping meeting
- > Other ways to submit comments:



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Public Comments

> Submission of Comments

- We're here to listen – all written and oral comments will be considered
- Each comment will be part of the official Scoping record
- Please be respectful of all speakers
- Interpreters are available

> Speakers

- Submit a speaker card
- Two (2) minutes per speaker
- Three names will be called at a time
- State your name and speak clearly into the microphone to be sure your comments are on the record





Thank you!