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**Crenshaw Northern Extension Scoping Meeting**

Spring 2021



**Metro**



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# Thanks for joining us!



## Agenda

- > **Presentation (30 Minutes)**
  - Scoping Meeting Objectives
  - Project History and Background
  - Project Goals and Objectives
  - Project Overview and Environmental Impact Report (EIR) Alternatives
  - Draft EIR Process
  - Schedule and Next Steps
- > **Scoping Period Comments (90 minutes)**

# Scoping Meeting Objectives



## **First Step in the Environmental Clearance Process**

- > Consistent with California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)
- > No federal funding/National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

## **Scoping Meeting Objectives**

- > Provide an overview of the Project
- > Describe the Draft EIR Process
- > We want to hear from you on the alternatives, design options and environmental issues to be evaluated in the Draft EIR
- > Questions will be addressed at future meetings and informed by upcoming analysis



We're planning rail to bridge divides.

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# Project Update Video



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# Project Overview



- > Extends the Crenshaw/LAX Line north to close the regional transit gap
- > Connects greater transit network (links 4 Metro Rail lines and 5 of LA County's busiest bus lines)
- > Serves major employment and activity centers in Central LA
- > Measure M Schedule
  - FY 2041 Groundbreaking
  - FY 2047 Revenue Service
- > Measure M Funding: \$2.24 billion (2015\$)
  - Project Acceleration being explored
  - West Hollywood conducted Early Project Delivery Study (2020) to identify locally generated funds



# Project Objectives



1. Close a regional transit network gap.
2. Increase the efficiency, reliability, and convenience of transit trips by providing faster, more direct service, in turn creating more connections and mobility options.
3. Provide an alternative to congested roadways.
4. Cultivate transit-friendly environment; maximize the potential for “smart” population and job growth.
5. Improve mobility and access for transit-dependent residents.



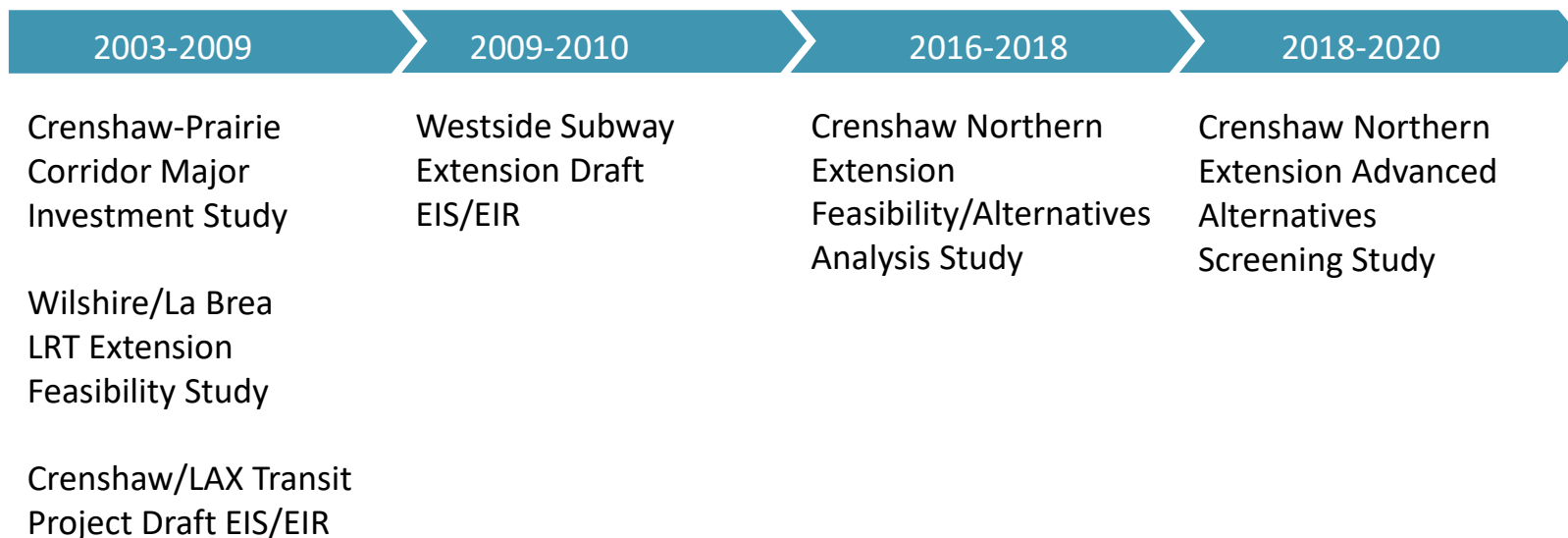
# Regional Context of Project



# Overview of Project History



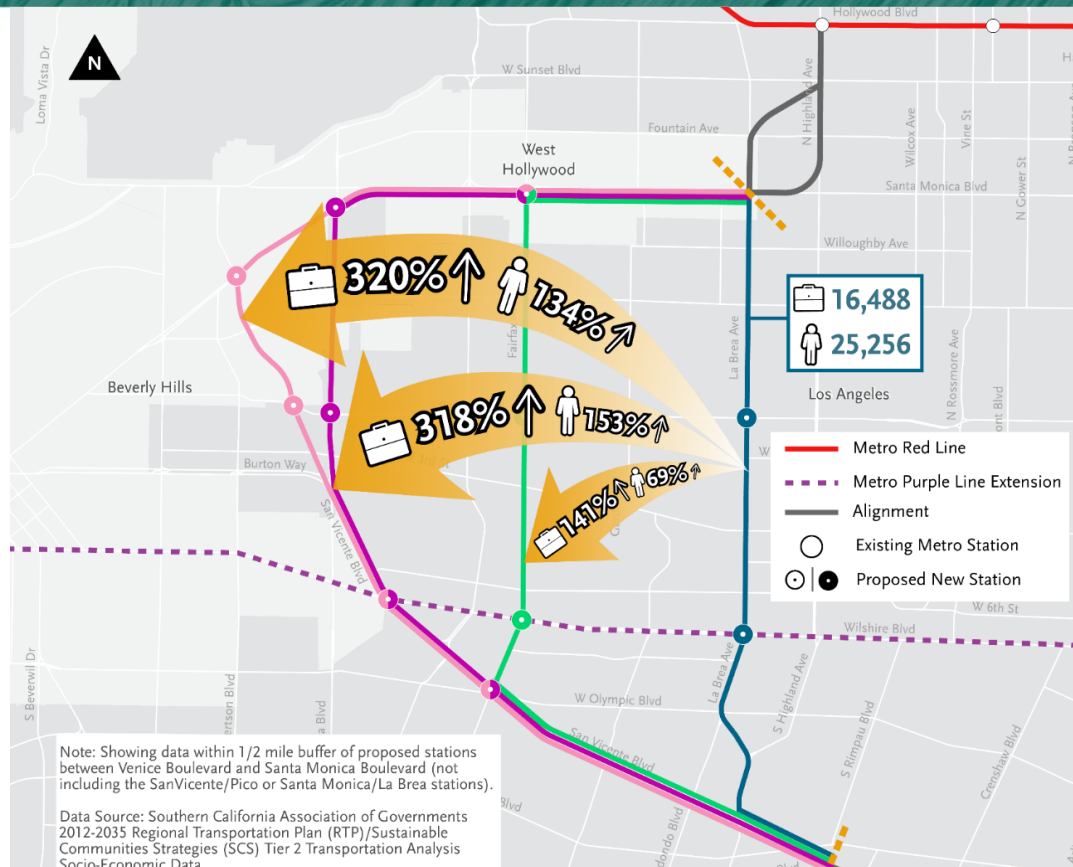
Metro has completed numerous studies in the last 20 years aimed at addressing regional and local transit system connectivity in Central Los Angeles and the Westside. Related studies in the Project Study Area include:



# AA Study Alternatives (2018)



# Comparison of Alternative Routes: Existing Residents and Jobs



	San Vicente	La Cienega	Fairfax	La Brea
<b>Length (Miles)</b>	6.2	5.9	4.8	3.2
<b>Total Jobs</b>	69,296	68,970	39,731	16,488
<b>Jobs/Mile</b>	11,177	11,690	8,277	5,153
<b>Total Population</b>	59,123	63,895	42,748	25,256
<b>Population/Mile</b>	9,546	10,845	8,906	7,893

# Summary of Outreach and Feedback



- > **Meetings:** Eight Spring & Fall 2019 Community Meetings with over 400 attendees and comments submitted; **Over 30 additional stakeholder meetings** with neighborhood groups and major property owners
- > **Strong support for project acceleration**
- > **Concerns:** Displacement and HPOZ impacts
- > **Alignment Preferences:** San Vicente/  
La Cienega, followed by Fairfax
- > **Desire to combine alternatives** or build more than one (San Vicente-Fairfax Hybrid)
- > **Desire to extend further north** to serve Hollywood Bowl



# EIR Alignment Alternatives



EIR will include a No Build alternative

# Major Activity Centers and Destinations



**Metro Rail Lines & Stations**

**Metro Busway & Stations**

**Amtrak/Metrolink**

**Under Construction**

- Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project
- Purple (D Line) Extension Transit Project
- Regional Connector Transit Project

**Proposed Crenshaw Northern Extension Project Alignment Alternatives and Stations**

- Study Area
- CNE Alignments
- Optional Stations

**Activity Centers and Areas**

- Parklands and Green Space
- Major Activity Centers/Destinations

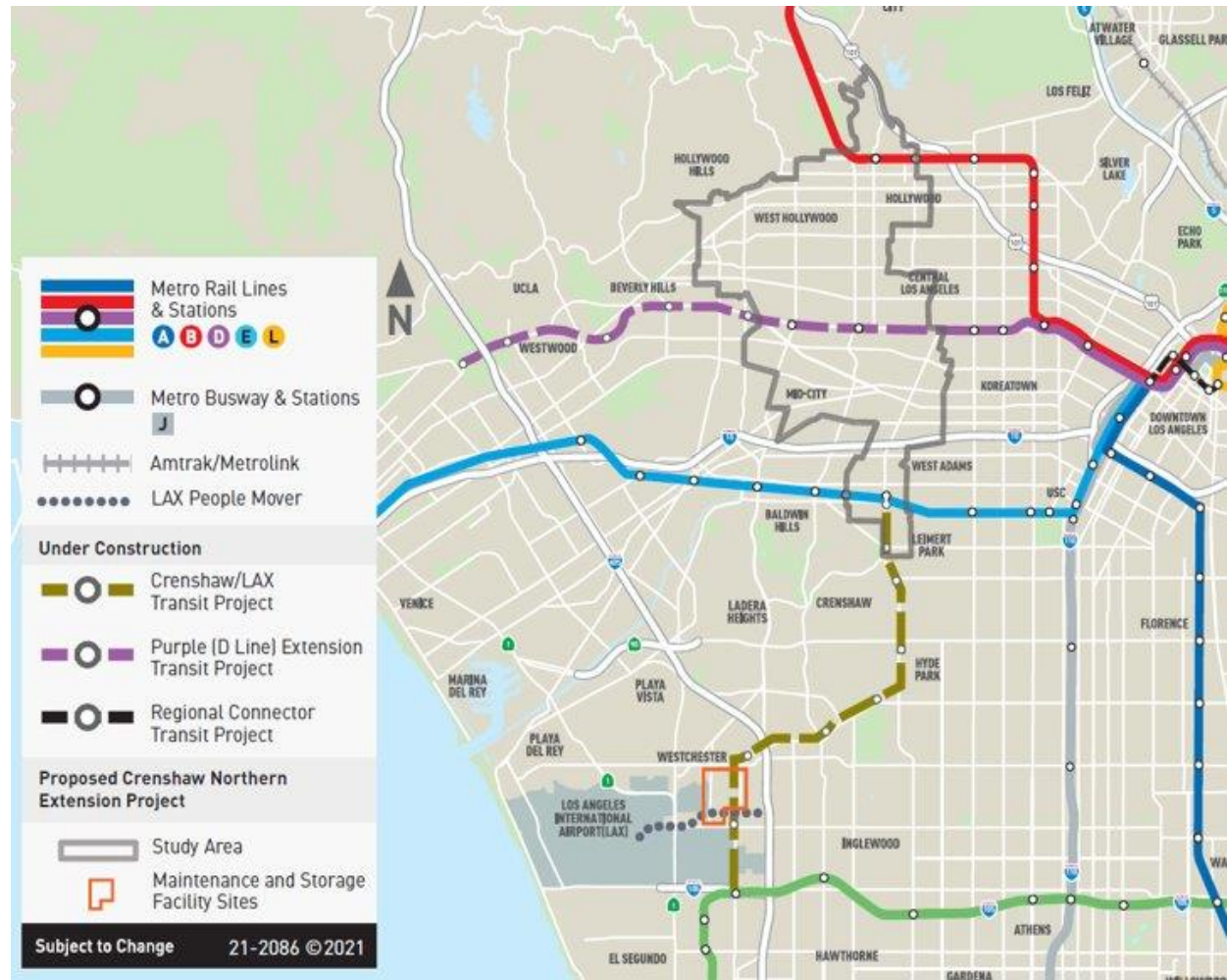
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# Maintenance and Storage Facility (MSF)



- > MSF to be identified as part of Project near LAX
- > Requires 13 - 19 acres to serve extended Crenshaw line
- > Will be evaluated as part of the Draft EIR for the Crenshaw Northern Extension Project



# Peak Travel Time Comparisons (AA Study)



		MINUTES		
Between	And	Auto	Transit - WITHOUT Project	Transit – WITH Project
Hollywood	LAX (Metro Connector)	40-80	55-90	32-40
Hollywood	West Adams	20-45	40-65	10-19
Hollywood	Cedars-Sinai*	14-35	30-45	8
Hollywood	Downtown Inglewood	28-75	65-90	27-35
West Adams	Cedars Sinai*	16-40	40-55	10
West Adams	Westwood	26-65	55-70	19-20
Leimert Park	Westwood	30-65	60-75	25-26
Leimert Park	Downtown Beverly Hills	24-65	55-65	21-22
Leimert Park	Grove/CBS*	20-55	50-65	17
LAX (Metro Connector)	Miracle Mile	25-65	60-80	27-29
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Downtown Culver City	Hollywood	24-55	55-70	24-32
Downtown Inglewood	Miracle Mile	20-60	50-70	22-27
LAX (Metro Connector)	West Hollywood Park*	30-70	80-100	34

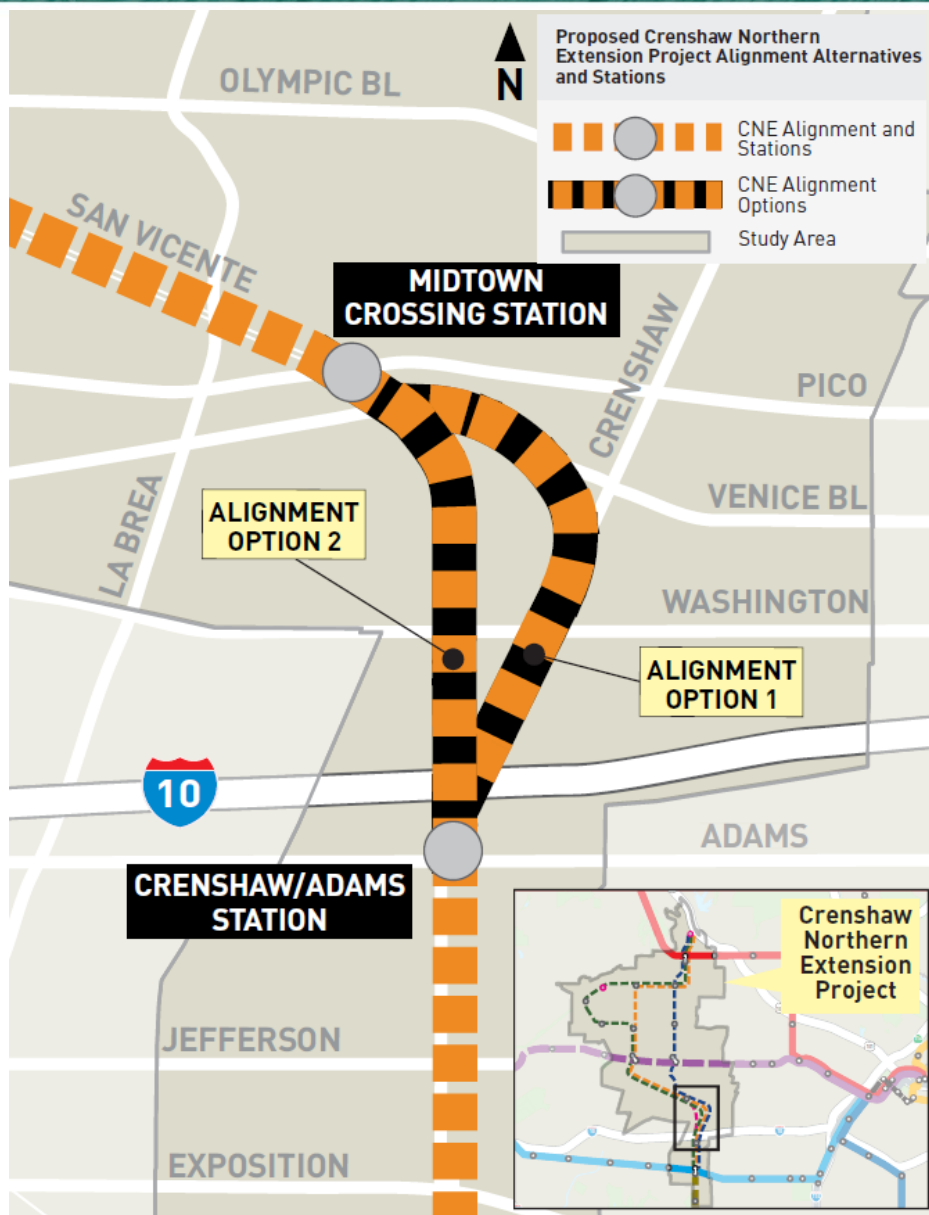


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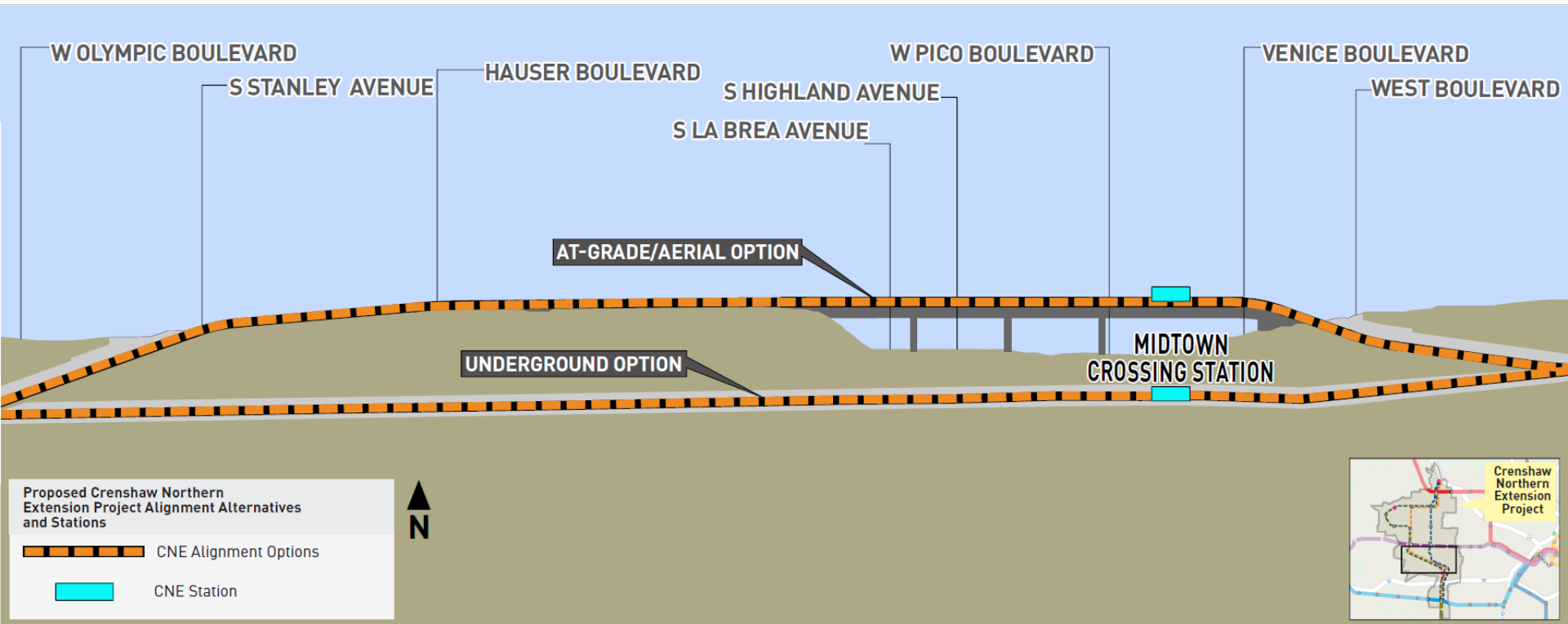
# EIR Design Options Proposed for Evaluation



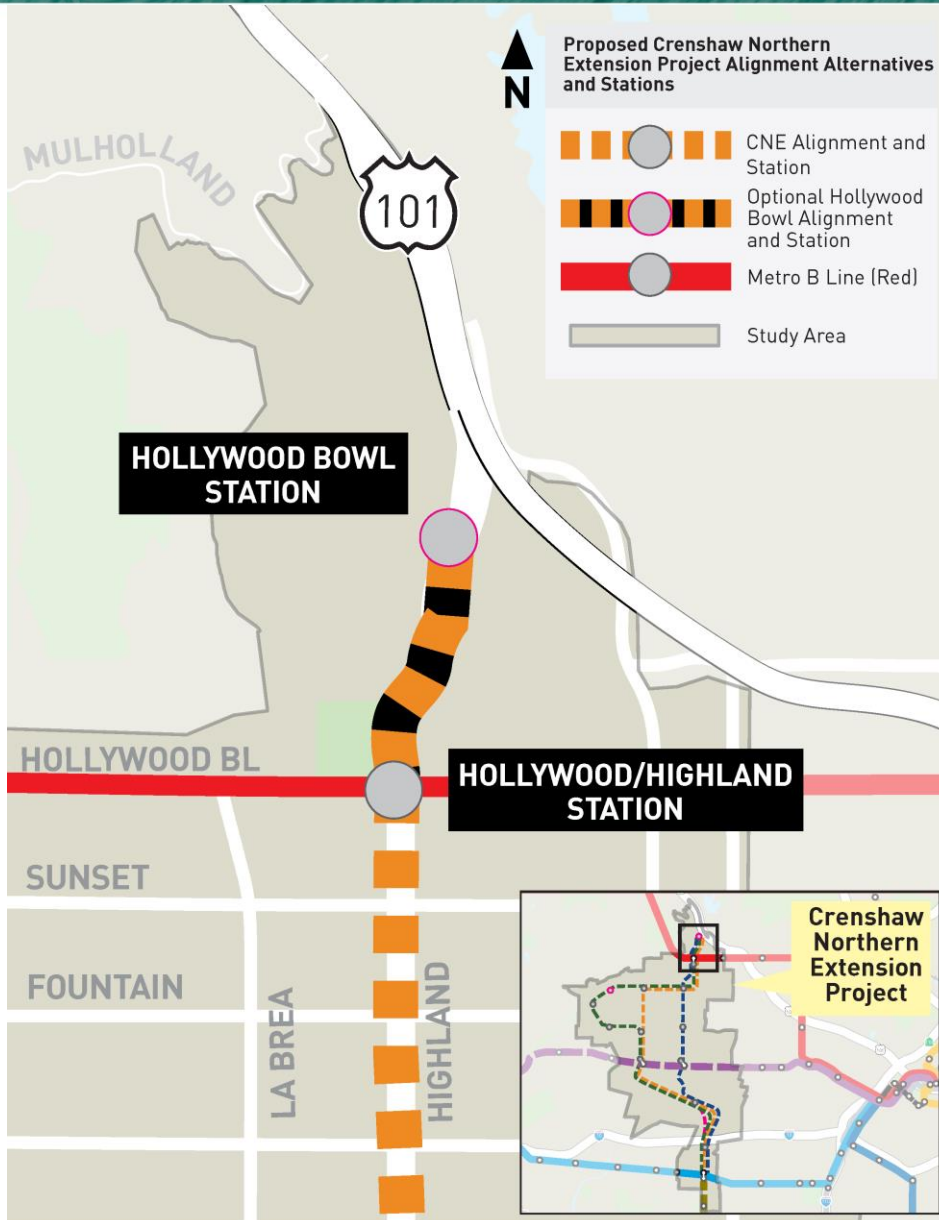
# Design Options between Crenshaw/Adams and Midtown Crossing Stations



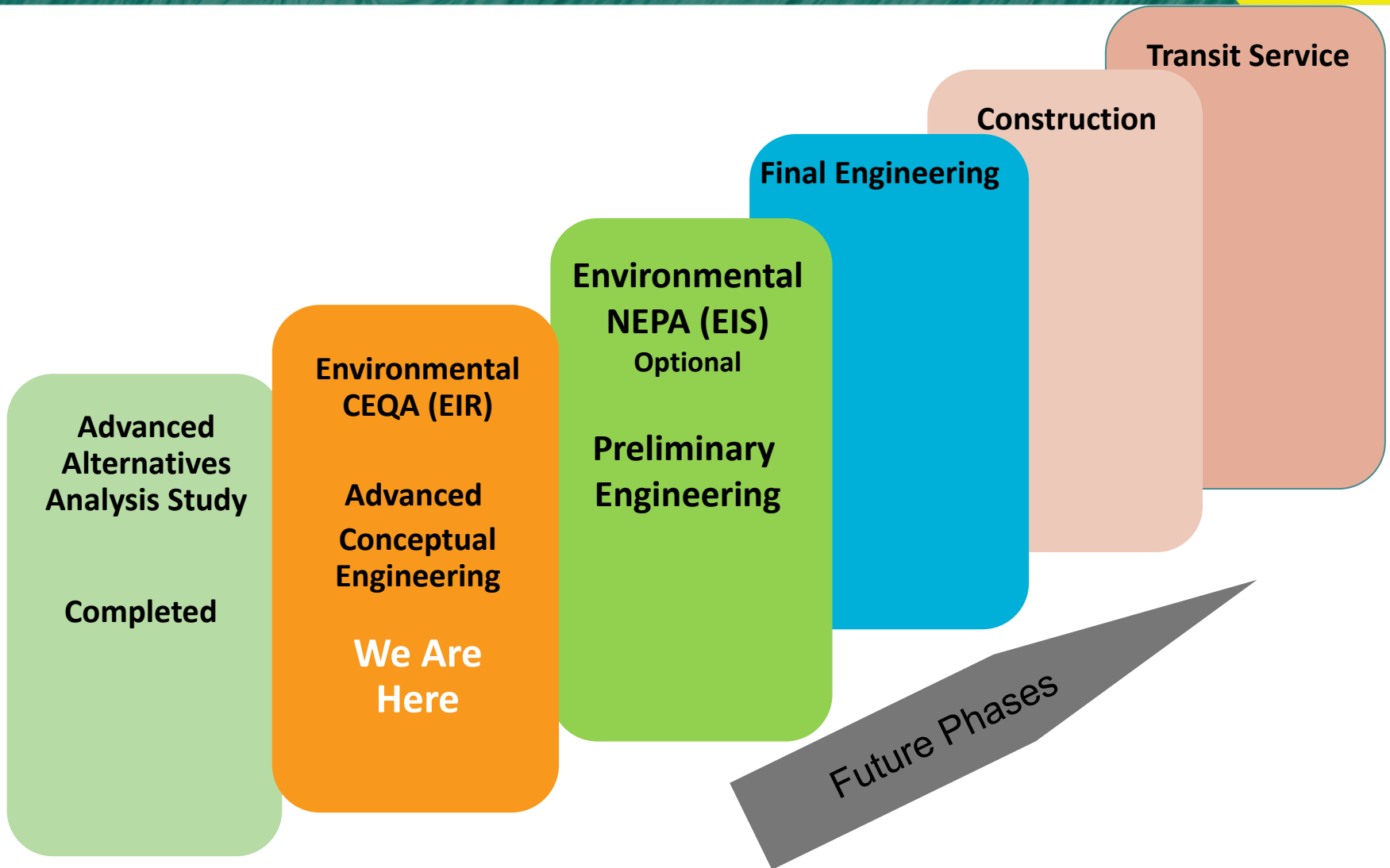
# San Vicente Corridor Design Options



# Hollywood Bowl Station (Optional)



# Where We Are Now





## ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW



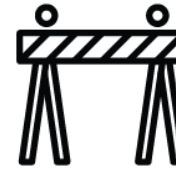
Benefits



Cost



Feasibility



Impacts



Mitigations

# Draft EIR Environmental Categories



Study potential effects of construction & operation of project, and evaluate measures to avoid, minimize & mitigate adverse impacts. Examples of impacts to be studied include:

- > Aesthetics
- > Air Quality
- > Biological Resources
- > Communities, Population and Housing
- > Climate Change & Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- > Construction Impacts
- > Cultural Resources
- > Cumulative Impacts
- > Energy
- > Geology/Soils
- > Growth Inducing Impacts
- > Hazards/Hazardous Materials
- > Land Use and Planning
- > Noise and Vibration
- > Public Services/Wildfire
- > Recreation
- > Transportation
- > Tribal Cultural Resources
- > Utilities/Services Systems
- > Water Resources/Hydrology

# Assessing Construction Impacts



## While Preparing the EIR

- > Explain, evaluate and identify
  - Tunnel and station construction processes
  - Hauling and other traffic considerations
  - Construction staging and earth removal locations
  - Air, noise, other
  - Possible mitigations

**Future Update Meeting to Focus on This Topic**



*Renderings of typical street decking construction*

# Funding Considerations



- > Potential range of project costs from Advanced AA Study (2020)
  - La Brea - \$ 4.3 billion
  - Fairfax - \$ 5.4 billion
  - San Vicente-Fairfax (Hybrid) - \$ 6.6 billion
  
- > Measure M Allocation
  - \$2.24 Billion for Crenshaw Northern Extension (2041-2047)
  
- > Other sources
  - Federal reauthorization
  - State funding
  - Local funding
  - Public/Private partnerships
  - Value Capture

# Draft EIR Process



- > Listen to community input
- > Further refine alternatives
- > Assess impacts of alternatives
  - During construction
  - Once in operation
- > Identify possible mitigation measures
- > Identify a proposed project as confirmed by the Metro Board

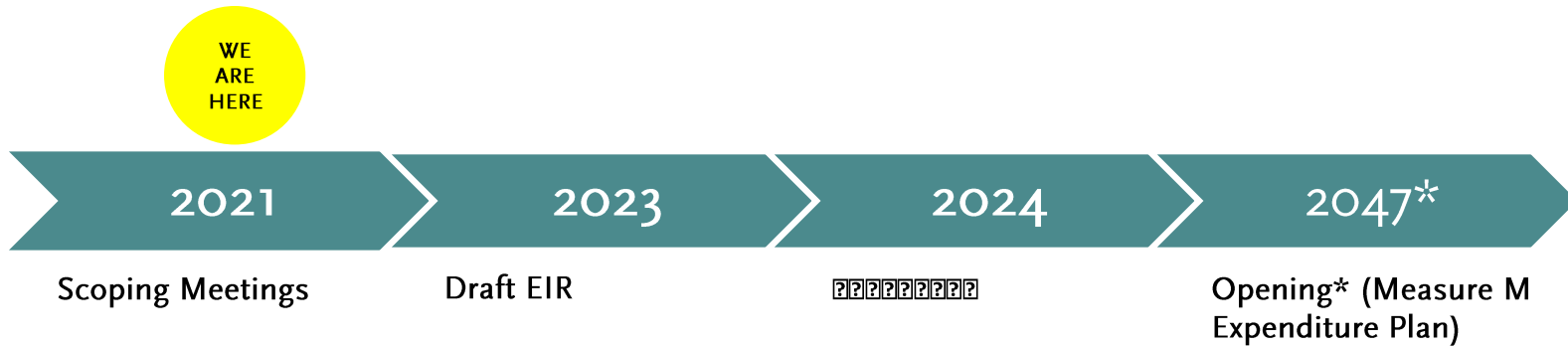


# Next Steps/Engagement Opportunities



Scoping is the first step in the environmental process, will be followed up by extensive public outreach

- > Prepare Scoping Report
- > Future Community Meetings
- > Project Information/Metro Project Webpage
- > Public Hearings



ONGOING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

# We want to hear from you...



## Key topics we want to hear about

- > Environmental issues to be evaluated in the EIR
- > Alternatives under consideration and design options
- > Potential station locations

## Comments

- > Please restrict comments to two minutes
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# How to Submit Public Comments



## Oral Public Comments

### To request to speak:

- > **Zoom:** Raise Hand feature
- > **Phone:** Dial\*9 to raise your hand

Two minutes per speaker

### When it is your turn to speak:

- > **Zoom:** You will be prompted to unmute your mic
- > **Phone:** You will be prompted to unmute your mic

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## Written Comments

- > **Zoom:** Q&A feature
- > **Phone:** 213. 418.3093
- > **Email:** [crenshawnorth@metro.net](mailto:crenshawnorth@metro.net)
- > **Technical assistance:** 213.316.6105



# Scoping Meeting Schedule & How to Submit Public Comments



Official public review period **April 15, 2021 through May 28, 2021**

## Scoping Meeting #1

- > Thursday, April 29, 2021
- > 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

## Scoping Meeting #2

- > Thursday, May 6, 2021
- > 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

## Scoping Meeting #3

- > Saturday, May 8, 2021
- > 10:00 a.m. - noon

*In light of public health and safety concerns related to COVID-19, all public meetings will be held virtually at this time.*

## Ways to submit comments:



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