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East San Fernando Valley Shared Right-of-Way (ROW) Study
Estudio de Vía Compartida en el Este del Valle de San Fernando

Community Meeting – June 14, 2025
Reunión comunitaria – 14 de junio, 2025



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Community Meeting
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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.

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- Address all comments to Metro staff and consultants
- Maintain a conversational tone



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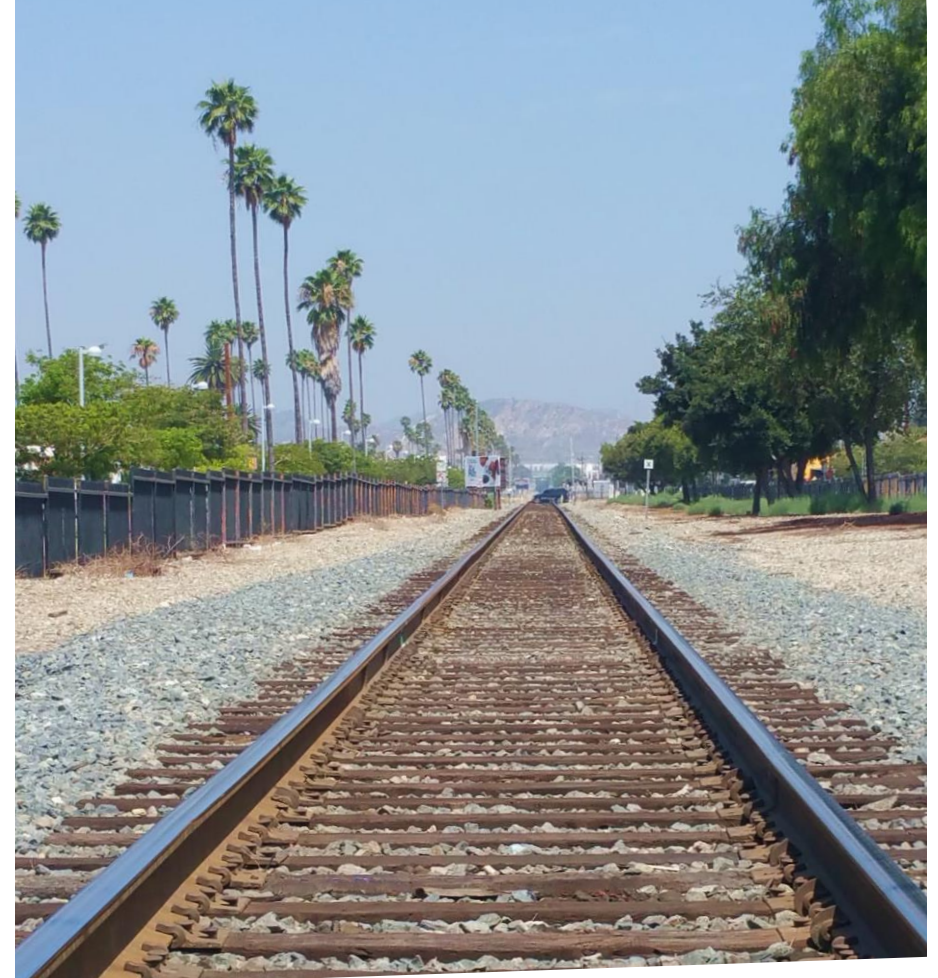
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Agenda

- > **Welcome**
- > **East San Fernando Valley Light Rail Transit Update**
- > **East San Fernando Valley Shared Right-of-Way Study Overview**
- > **Scenario Comparison**
- > **Stay Involved**
- > **Next Steps**
- > **Q&A**



Today's Speakers

Community Relations

- > Mark Dierking, Director, Community Relations
- > Alondra Lopez, Principal Community Relations Officer

East San Fernando LRT

- > Nell Mardirosian, Deputy Executive Officer, Program Management

Countywide Planning & Development

- > David Mieger, Senior Executive Officer, Transit Corridors
- > David Leyzerovsky, Senior Manager, Mobility Hubs



Background and history

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December 2020: Metro Board certified Final Environmental Impact Report

January 2021: Record of Decision signed by the Federal Transit Administration

- Southern Segment: 6.7-mile Light Rail Transit from the G Line Bus Rapid Transit Station to Van Nuys Bl/San Fernando Rd
- Northern: 2.5-mile from Van Nuys Bl/San Fernando Rd to Sylmar/San Fernando Metrolink station

2023: EIR Addendum (Oct. 2023)





We're building light rail for the Valley.

EAST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT



Project Update

ESFV LRT (Southern Segment) Project Scope



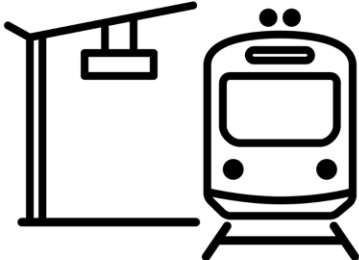
ESFV LRT Project (Southern Segment)



33
Electric
Light Rail Vehicles



6.7 miles At-Grade
Double Tracks



11
Center-Platform Stations



10
Traction Power
Substations
(TPSS) Sites

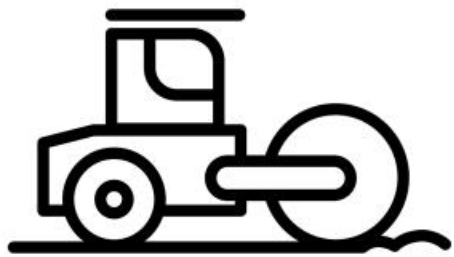
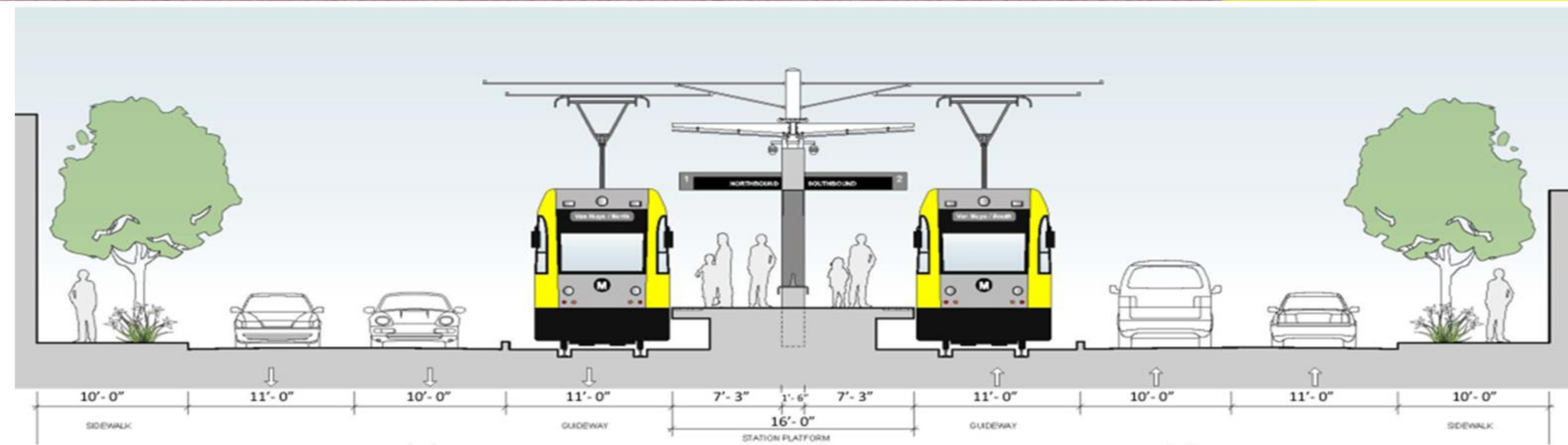


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Maintenance & Storage
Facility (MSF)

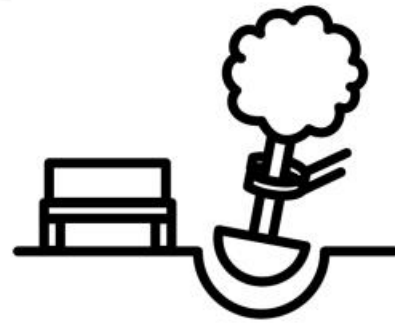


Communication Line
to Rail Operations
Center

What benefits and impact will the ESFV LRT Project bring?



M Street & Sidewalk Improvements



New Trees
2:1 Replacement



New Lighting



Parking
Removal



Bike Lane
Removal and
Relocation

Join us!

Join us at our upcoming community meetings to receive the latest updates on the ESFV LRT Project!

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Tuesday, June 17, 2025

6:00PM to 7:30PM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/93513180180>

Webinar ID: 935 1318 0180

Call-In: 301.715.8592

In-Person Meeting and Open House

Thursday, June 26, 2025

6:00PM to 7:30PM

Mid-Valley Family YMCA

6901 Lennox Ave.



Van Nuys, CA 91405



Join us!

The East San Fernando Valley Light Rail Transit (ESFV LRT) Project will improve connections and access to crucial destinations while connecting transit users to the growing network in the San Fernando Valley. The Southern Segment of the project includes a 6.7-mile at-grade alignment that will operate in the center of Van Nuys Bl, from the Metro G Line Van Nuys Station to Van Nuys Bl and San Fernando Rd.

Please join us at our upcoming community meetings to receive the latest updates on the ESFV LRT Project. Come listen to our project team as they present an overview of the project and construction activities, share updates on community outreach developments and real estate acquisition, and provide information on business mitigation programs.

Metro will host two meetings, a virtual meeting via Zoom and an in-person meeting in the Van Nuys community. The in-person meeting will include an open house in which informational booths will be present, including information on the Project's design, current construction and real estate activities, jobs and vendor opportunities, small business mitigation programs, Community Leadership Council (CLC), the G Line Improvements Project, and more.

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Free onsite parking

Go Metro to the meeting on these bus lines: 233 and stop at the corner of Van Nuys Bl and Vanowen St, or 165 and stop at the corner of Vanowen St and Tyrone Av

The meeting agenda will be the same for both meetings and Spanish interpreters will be available. ADA accommodations and translations are available by calling 818.701.3844 and requesting services at least 72 hours in advance. For public transportation options, please call 323.GO.METRO (323.466.3876).



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East San Fernando Valley (ESFV) Shared Right-of-Way (ROW) Study

ESFV Shared Right-of-Way (ROW) – Overview

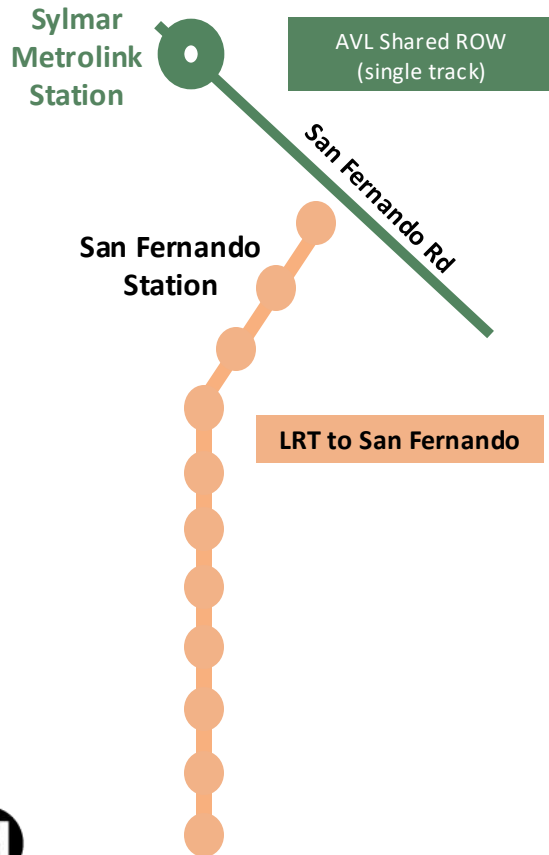
- > Shared ROW runs along the railroad tracks on San Fernando Rd and extends approximately 2.5 miles northwest from Van Nuys Bl to the Sylmar/San Fernando Metrolink Station
- > Crosses the neighborhoods of Pacoima and Sylmar in the City of Los Angeles and the City of San Fernando
- > A shared ROW is a corridor where multiple types of rail services operate within the same physical space.
- > Shared ROW Study considered existing and future passenger and freight train operations:
 - Metrolink Antelope Valley Line (AVL)
 - Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) freight trains
 - Metro ESFV Light Rail Transit (under construction)
- > Study addresses safety and traffic issues raised by Metrolink and City of San Fernando



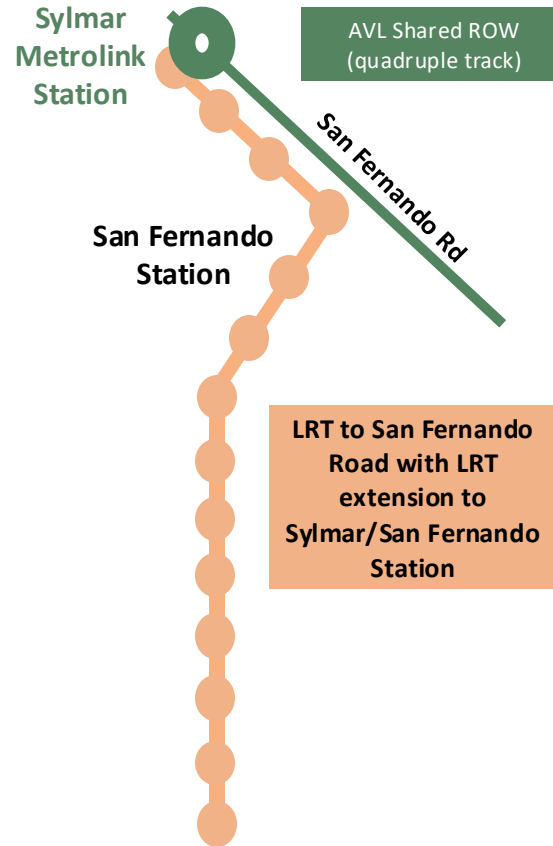
ESFV Shared ROW Scenarios Studied



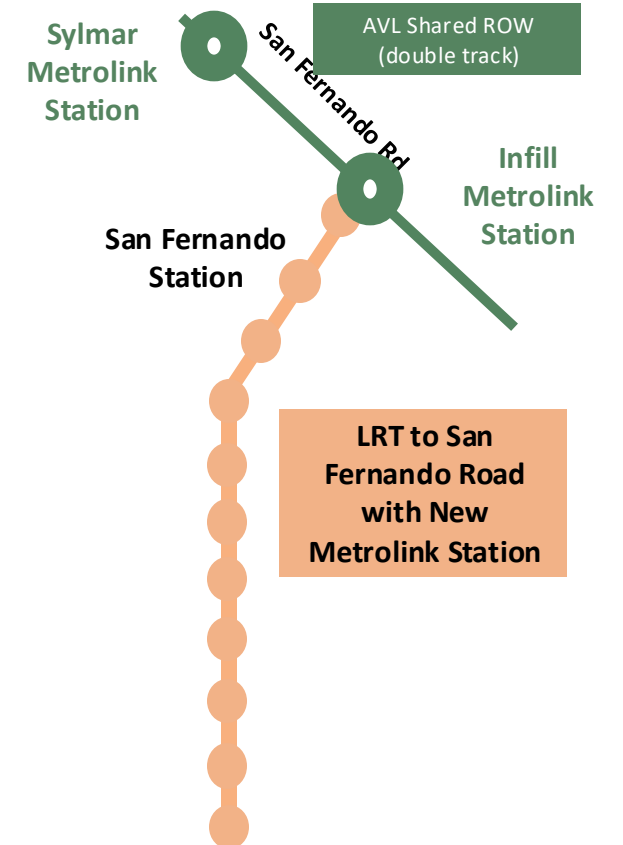
No-Build



Scenario 1 Full-Build Light Rail Transit



Scenario 2 ESFV Light Rail to San Fernando Rd with New Metrolink Station



Scenario 1: Full-Build Light Rail Transit Conceptual Map

LRT: 20 x hr.



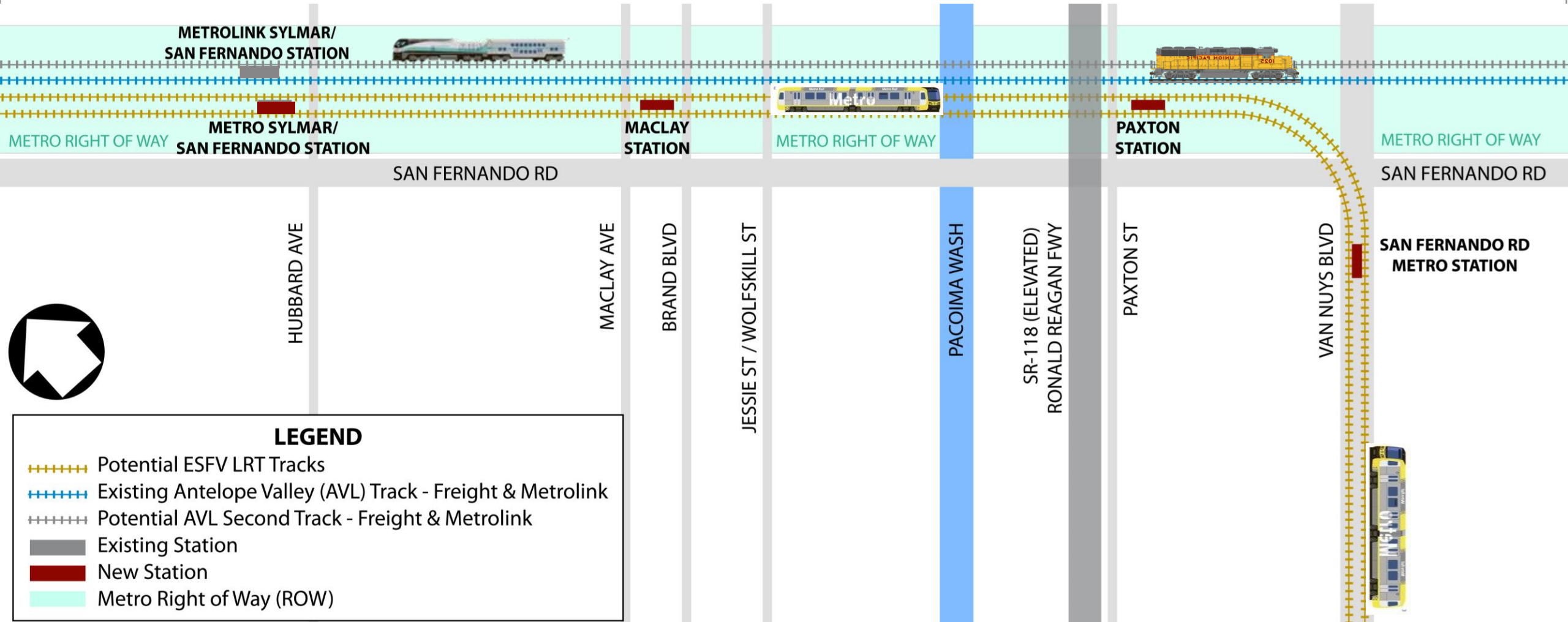
AVL: 4 x hr.



UPRR: 1 x hr.



25 trains per hour
along San Fernando Rd



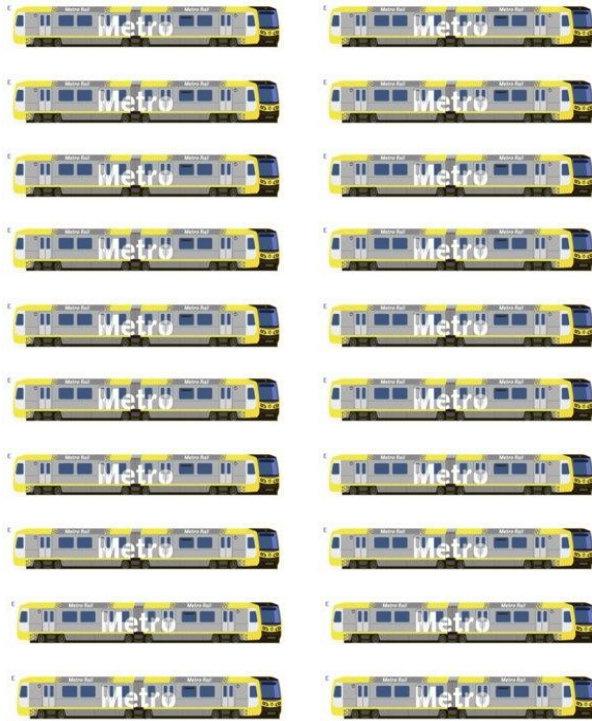
Study Scenario Characteristics & Assumptions

Planned Trains/Hour under Metrolink SCORE Program

SCENARIO 1

Full Build of ESFV LRT

LRT*
20 x hr.



AVL**
4 x hr.



UPRR
1 x hr.



25 trains
per hour

SCENARIO 2

ESFV LRT with New Metrolink Station

LRT*
0 x hr.

AVL**
4 x hr.



UPRR
1 x hr.



5 trains
per hour

*Assumes: 6-minute headways ESFV LRT Trains

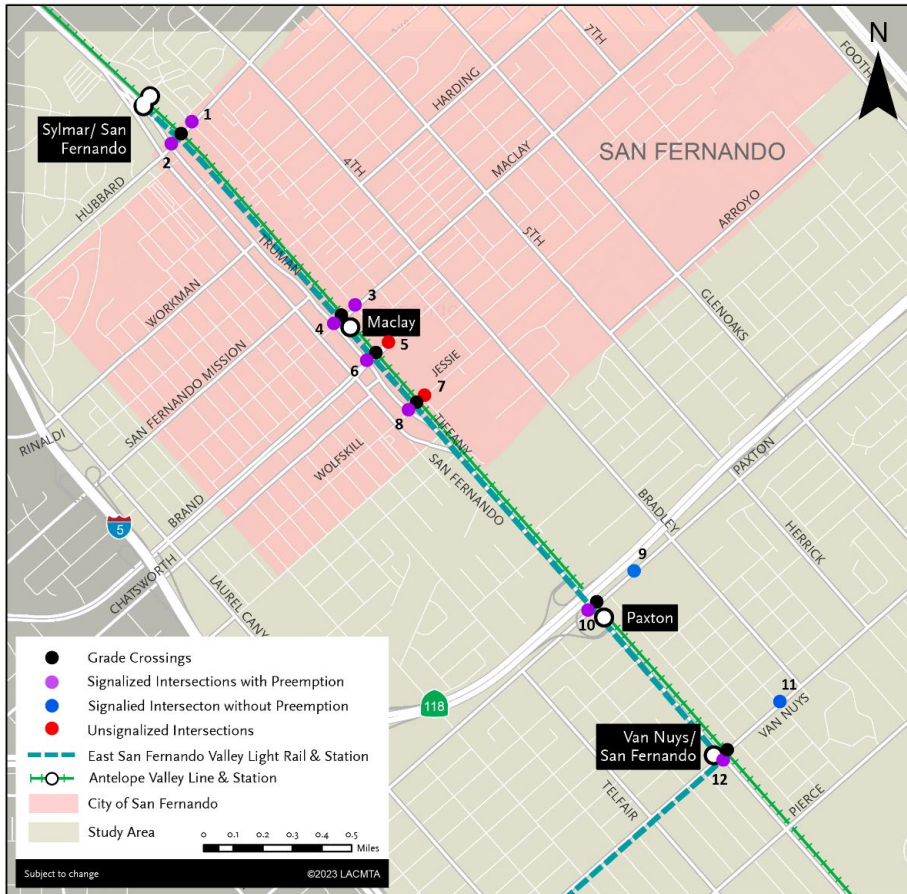
**Assumes: 30-min bi-directional Metrolink AVL Trains



Scenario 1: Need for Grade Separation of LRT

Further Grade Crossing Analysis analyzed Traffic Operation Checks

Levels of Service (LOS)



#	Intersection	Existing Conditions 2023		Future 2040 4-track at grade	
		AM Peak Hour	PM Peak Hour	AM Peak Hour	PM Peak Hour
		LOS	LOS	LOS	LOS
1	Hubbard Ave & First St/Frank	C	C	F	F
2	Hubbard Ave & Truman St	C	C	F	F
3	Maclay Ave & First St	B	B	F	F
4	Maclay Ave & Truman St	C	C	F	F
5	Brand Boulevard & First St	B	A	D	E
6	Brand Boulevard & Truman St	C	B	E	F
7	Jessie/Wolfskill St. & First St	E	D	E	F
8	WolfSkill St & Truman St	B	B	D	D
9	Paxton St & Plaza Pacoima Drive	B	C	F	F
10	Paxton St & San Fernando Rd	D	D	F	F
11	Van Nuys & Pala Ave	D	B	F	F
12	Van Nuys & San Fernando Rd	D	D	F	F

**Traffic Operational Check Results
based on Metro Grade Separation Policy**



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> Further Grade Crossing Analysis analyzed Traffic Operation Checks

- Influence Zone Queuing
- Gate Spillback Queuing



Significant vehicular backups at the rail crossings raises traffic and safety concerns



Hubbard Ave Crossings (looking South), City of San Fernando

Scenario 1 Challenges



> Traffic

- Level of Service F for 11 of 12 studied intersections
 - Grade separations* would be costly & severely impact Metrolink operations during construction
- * Grade separation involves building overpasses/underpasses so trains don't block street traffic*



> Property Acquisitions

- Grade separations may result in up to 10 partial and 6 full property acquisitions
- Property impacts in the City of San Fernando: Cesar E. Chavez Memorial Park, Middle School, Civic Center, Police Department, Mission City Trail, and some commercial properties



> Significant costs and schedule constraints

Scenario 2: ESFV Light Rail to San Fernando Rd with New Metrolink Station (Conceptual Map)

LRT: 0 x hr.



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AVL: 4 x hr.



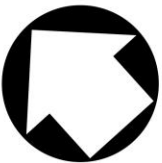
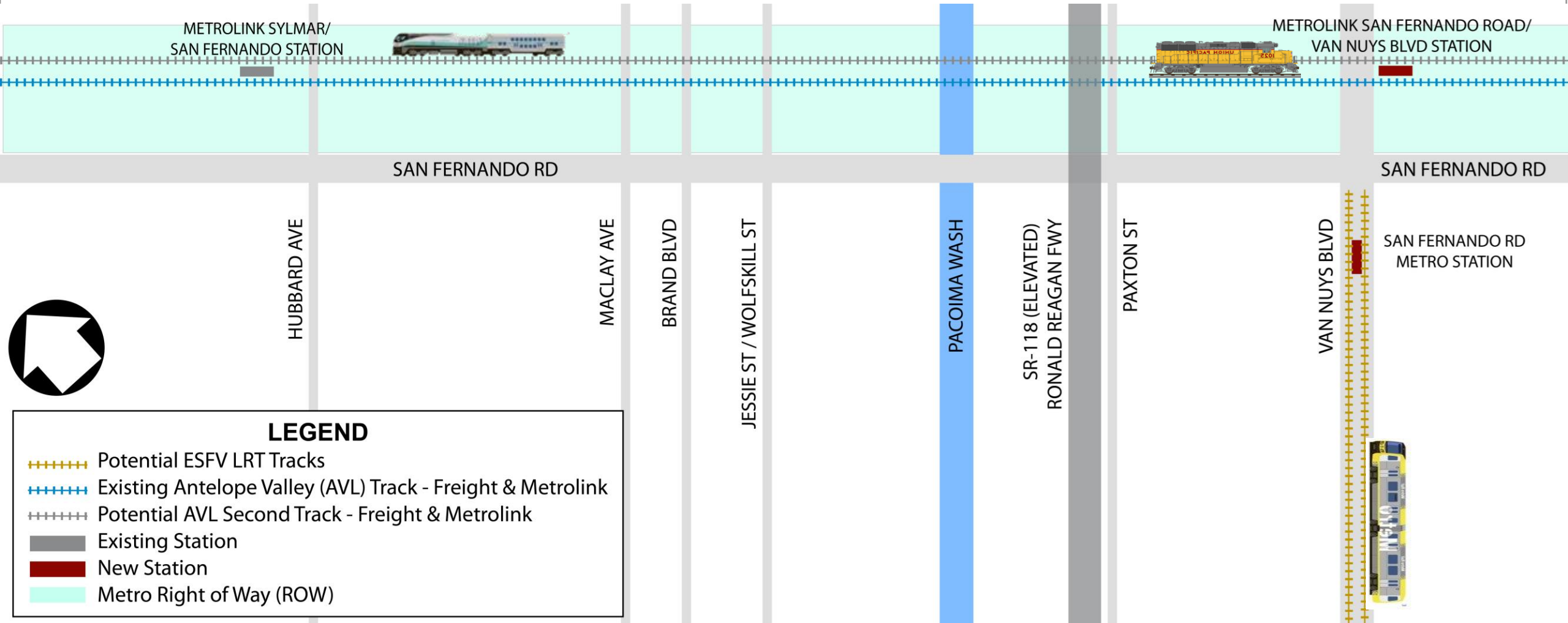
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UPRR: 1 x hr.



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5 trains per hour
along San Fernando Rd



LEGEND

- Potential ESFV LRT Tracks
- Existing Antelope Valley (AVL) Track - Freight & Metrolink
- Potential AVL Second Track - Freight & Metrolink
- Existing Station
- New Station
- Metro Right of Way (ROW)



Scenario 2: Regional Rail Connectivity Opportunities

East San Fernando Valley ROW Study



Metrolink Antelope Valley Line (AVL)

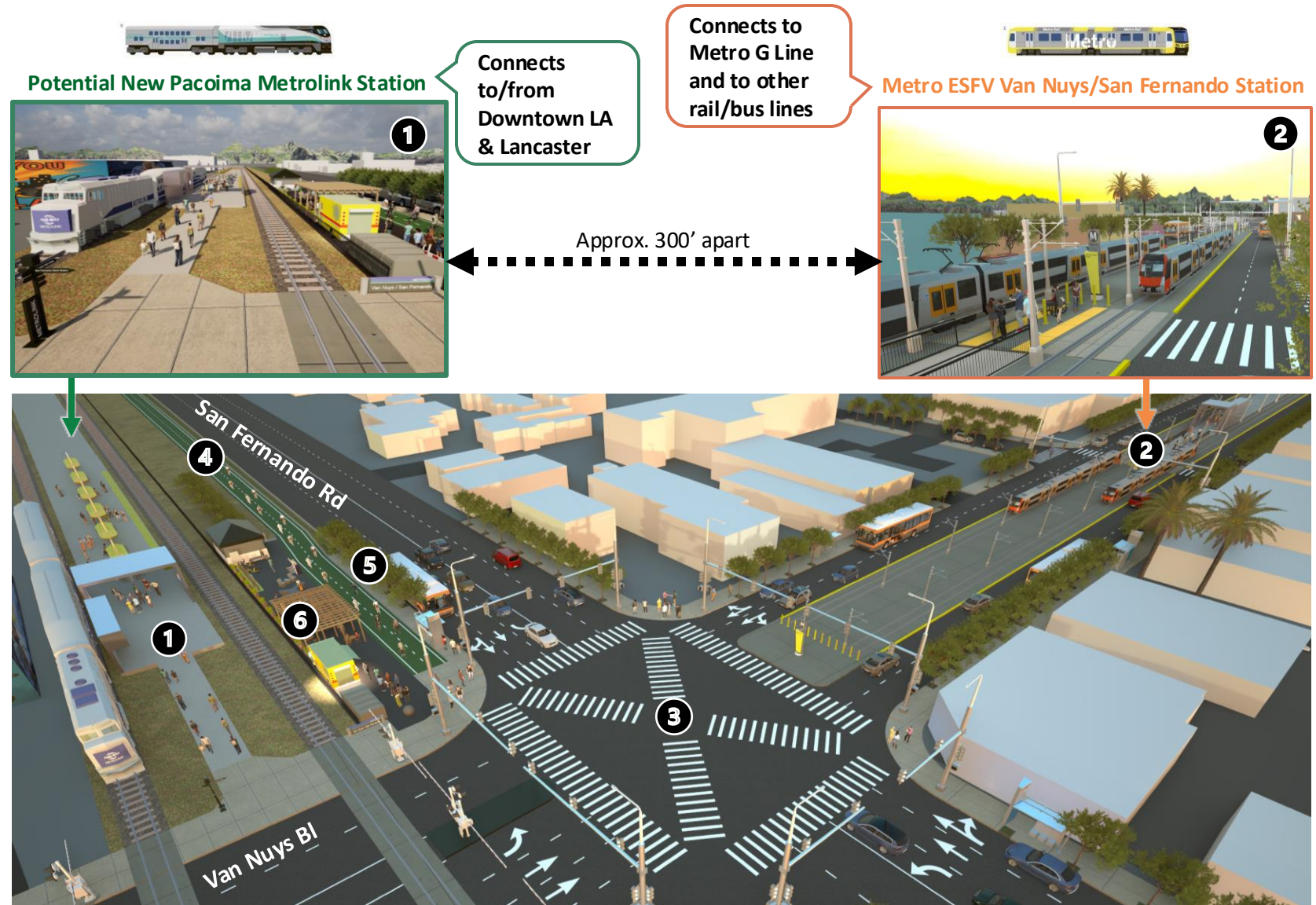


Scenario 2: Potential New Pacoima Metrolink Station & Mobility Hub

What is a Mobility Hub?

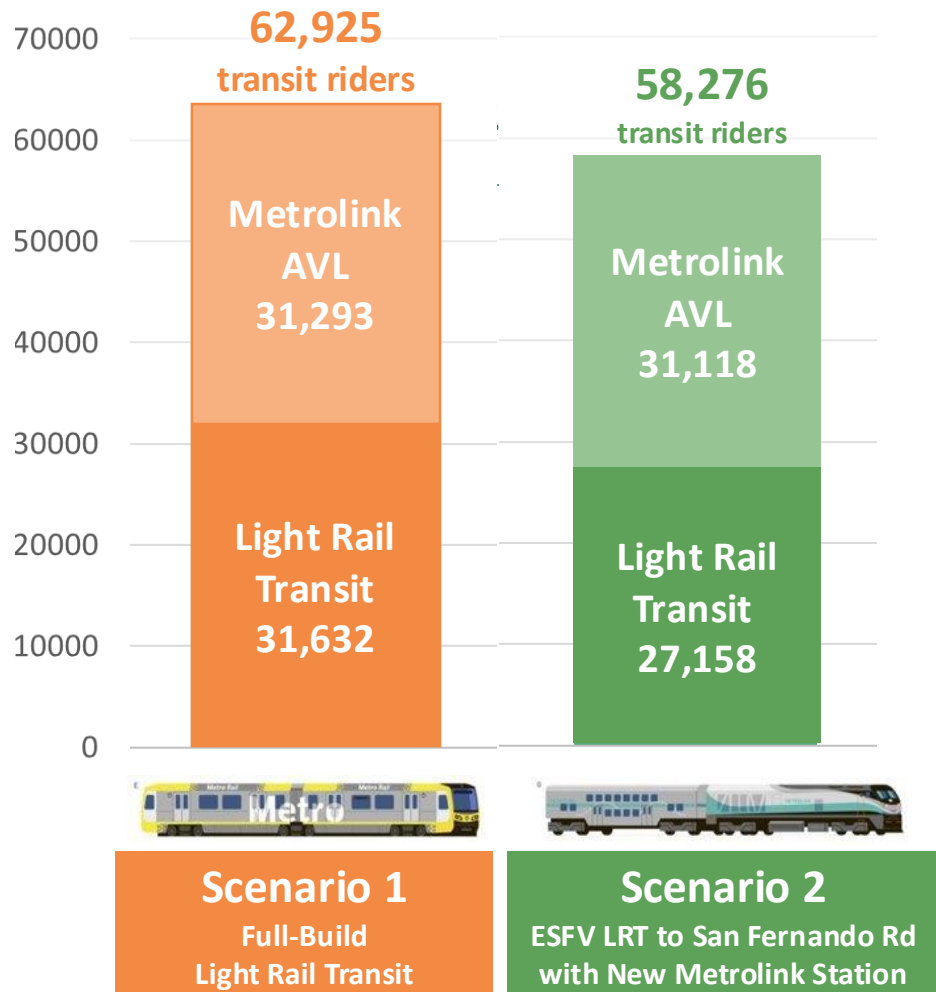
A convenient location where different types of transportation—like buses, trains, bikes, and ride-shares—come together to make it easier and more comfortable for people to get where they need to go.

- 1 Potential New Pacoima Metrolink Station
- 2 Metro ESFV, Van Nuys/San Fernando Station
- 3 Potential Pedestrian Enhancements
- 4 Mission City Bike Trail
- 5 Bus Enhancements along San Fernando Rd
- 6 Opportunity for Open Space

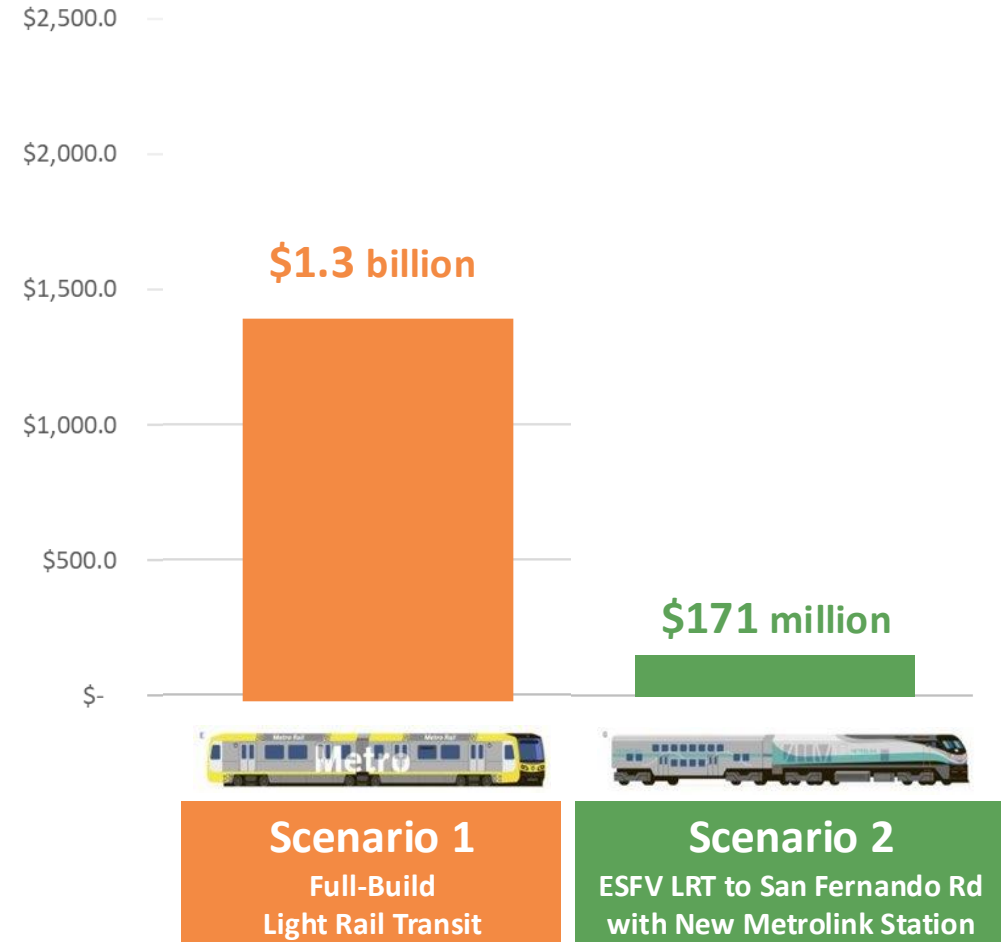


Scenario Comparison: Ridership and Capital Costs

2040 Daily Ridership (Boarding) Forecast



Capital Costs (2038\$)

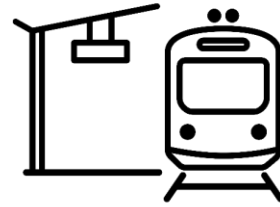


Safety Mitigation Measures



Pedestrian Safety

- > Signage
- > Continental Crosswalks
- > Truncated Domes



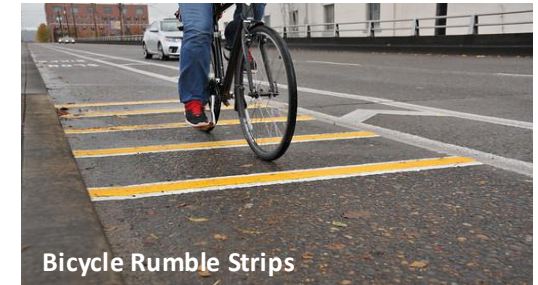
Rail Safety

- > Quiet Zone
- > Quad Gates
- > Pedestrian Gates



Bicycle Safety

- > Bike Rumble Strips
- > Bike Handrail



Stay Involved!

Notification and Engagement Methods

Communication Tools



Website



Email



Information line

Notification Tactics



Flyers to Key Stakeholders



Door-to-door distribution



Flyers at Community events



Facebook events
Nextdoor posts

Engagement Methods



x10 Briefings & Presentations



x4 Pop-up Event Booths



x1 Conversations/Resources Event



x2 Community Meetings



**Engaged with over 830
community members**

Engagement Activities

Stakeholder Briefings & Presentations

- > Elected offices (local, state, and federal)
- > ESFV LRT Community Leadership Council (CLC) Walk Tour
- > Valley Industrial & Commerce Assoc. (VICA)
- > Greater SFV Chamber of Commerce
- > SFV Council of Governments
- > SFV Metro Service Council Meeting
- > Pacoima Beautiful (Spanish)
- > Northern Corridor Cities (NCC) – July 28

Pop ups

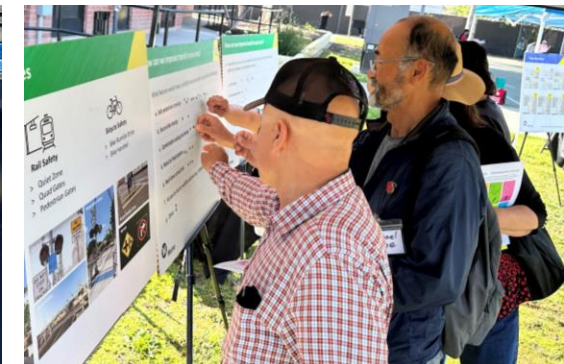
- > City of San Fernando Senior Fest
- > San Fernando Middle School – Open House
- > Tia Chucha's Arts & Literacy Festival
- > Grand Opening of Lopez Canyon Green Space Playground



Engagement Activities – Conversaciones y Recursos

Conversaciones y Recursos (Conversations & Resources)

- > Around **150 attendees (approx. 90% Spanish-speaking)**
- > Metro-hosted event targeted for ESFV Shared ROW stakeholders
- > Information booths featuring Metro projects and local resources
 - Metro ESFV Shared ROW Study – info. booths & survey activities
 - Metro ESFV Light Rail Transit Project
 - Metro Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project
 - Metro LIFE program – discounted fares program
 - CalFresh enrollment
 - City of San Fernando – Business/Comm. Resource Center and Recreation/Community Services Department
- > Over 200 boxes of fresh produce distributed to event participants



What We've Heard So Far

- > Top priorities for **transportation improvements**
 - Reduced traffic, **28%**
 - Safer pedestrian crossings, **23%**
 - Increased transit service, **19%**
- > **Safety concerns** near or along the ESFV Shared ROW corridor
 - Pedestrian crossings, **42%**
 - Bicycle access, **18%**
 - Emergency vehicle access, **18%**
- > Most useful **mobility hub features**
 - Safe pedestrian crossings, **31%**
 - Comfortable seating and shade, **17%**
 - Real-time arrival info, **17%**
- > **Likelihood of using a mobility hub** at San Fernando/Van Nuys
 - Very likely, **58%**
 - Somewhat likely, **18%**
 - Not sure, **14%**; and Unlikely, **11%**

Overall, the responses reflect a community that values **safety, connectivity, and comfort.**

Pedestrian safety is a recurring priority, suggesting a strong desire for walkable, human-centered infrastructure

Traffic congestion remains a **major frustration**

There's strong support for a mobility hub, with **3 in 4 (75%)** respondents noting that they would **very likely** or **somewhat likely** use the mobility hub

Join Us

Community Meetings

Community Meeting #1: Virtual* (COMPLETED)

Thursday, June 12, 2025, 6 – 7pm

Zoom Link: bit.ly/ESFVROWMeeting

Meeting ID: 837 9327 3049

Call-in: 213.338.8477

Número de llamada en español: 408.650.3123

Código de acceso: 293-234-253

Community Meeting #2: In-person

Saturday, June 14, 2025, 10 – 11:30am

Alicia Broadous-Duncan Multipurpose Senior Center

11300 Glenoaks Bl, Pacoima, CA 91331

*Following the meeting, the **video recording & presentation slides** (PDF) will be posted on the project website at: metro.net/esfvrow

Resource Fair (COMPLETED)

Conversaciones y Recursos (Conversations & Resources)

Friday, May 30, 2025, 8:30 – 10:30am

San Fernando Recreation Park

Community Events (COMPLETED)

Friday, May 16, 2025, 5-7pm

City of San Fernando Senior Fair

Thursday, May 22, 2025, 5-7pm

San Fernando Middle School – School Open House

Saturday, May 31, 2025, 2 – 7pm

20th Anniversary Celebrating Words: Art & Literacy Festival

Saturday, June 7, 2025, 10am – 1pm

Lopez Canyon Green Space Playground/Dog Park Grand Opening

11954 Lopez Canyon Rd, Sylmar, CA 91342



Next Steps



May to mid-June 2025

- > Briefings
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ESFV LRT Construction Mtgs.

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Questions & Answers

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