West Santa Ana Branch Transit Corridor

Eco-Rapid Board Meeting
January 18, 2017
Project Development Process

We Are Here

Future Phases

Project Background

Project Awareness

Conduct corridor-wide briefings with:
- Eco-Rapid Board of Directors
- Elected offices
- Project Study Area Cities
- Major Project Stakeholders

Environmental & Conceptual Engineering

Detailed Engineering

Construction

Transit Service

Ongoing Public Participation
WSAB Transit Corridor Project Background

February 2013: SCAG approved Alternatives Analysis (AA)

March 2013: City of South Gate/OLDA publish Southern Rail Corridor Community Impacts and Opportunities Report

September 2014: Eco-Rapid Transit publish Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Guidebook: Southern Corridor

March 2016: Gateway Cities COG publishes the Gateway Cities Strategic Transportation Plan

September 2015: Metro Board of Directors receives the Technical Refinement Study (TRS)
• Light Rail Transit (LRT)
• Two northern alternatives:
  – East Bank
  – West Bank 3
• Stations identified
1. Southern Terminus
   - City of Artesia Pioneer Station as new terminus

2. New Green Line Station
   - Constructing station in active freeway and rail line

3. Huntington Park Alignment & Stations
   - Shift alignment from Pacific Blvd. to Santa Fe Ave.
   - Relocate SCAG AA station locations to:
     - Salt Lake Ave./Florence Ave.
     - Randolph St. east of Pacific Blvd.

4. Northern Alignment Options

5. Access to Union Station
Northern Alignment Options

• SCAG Alignments:
  – East Bank
  – West Bank 3

• Pacific Blvd. Corridor Options:
  – Pacific/Alameda
  – Pacific/Vignes

• Metro Blue Line/Alameda St. Corridor Options:
  – Alameda
  – Alameda/Vignes
Northern Alignment Performance Summary

• Four alignment variations of the West Bank 3 Alignment were identified as high-performing in TRS:
  - Pacific Blvd. Corridor Options:
    • Pacific/Alameda (6.8 miles)
    • Pacific/Vignes (6.7 miles)
  - Metro Blue Line/Alameda St. Corridor Options:
    • Alameda (7.5 miles)
    • Alameda/Vignes (7.6 miles)

• All high-performing alignments terminate at Union Station
Environmental Process Timeline

- Winter 2017: Project Awareness
- Spring 2017: Metro Board Approves Initiation of Draft EIR
- Spring 2017: Scoping Period
- 18 Months: Prepare Draft EIR
- Fall 2018: Publish Draft EIR – Public Comment Period
- Fall 2018: Metro Board Selects LPA
- 12 Months: Prepare Final EIR
- Fall 2019: Publish Final EIR

Ongoing Public Participation

* Preliminary timeline for CEQA/NEPA clearing, pending FTA approval
Thank you