Recommendations/Board Actions

Request the Board to:

Authorize:
• Further study on revised northern alignments and termini
• Expand northern study options

Receive and File:
• Update on Public Private Partnership procurement
• Updated project schedule
• Status of Transit-Oriented Communities efforts
**Early Project Development Process**

### Early Project Development Process

1. Identify study area, transportation needs
2. Establish study goals, objectives, and preliminary evaluation measures
3. Define Alternatives
4. Analyze/Evaluate Alternatives
5. Finalize Alternatives Analysis Report
6. Identify alternatives to carry into environmental process

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### Alternatives Analysis

- Identify benefits and impacts of alternatives
- Refine alternatives based on community feedback and technical analysis
- Assess impacts of alternatives and identify potential mitigation measures
- Allow informed decision of Locally Preferred Alternative by the Metro Board

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### Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Report (DEIS/R)

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### Project Change Triggers

- Public comment
- Technical evaluation

**Examples:**
- Regional Connector
- Eastside Phase 2
- Crenshaw / LAX Transit Corridor
- Purple Line Extension

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**Public Involvement**
Project Goals

> Provide mobility improvements
> Support local and regional land use plans and policies
> Minimize environmental impacts
> Ensure cost effectiveness and financial feasibility
> Promote equity
Northern Alignments: Concerns/Constraints

**Little Tokyo**
- Opposition to visual impacts of elevated alignment on Alameda Street
- Cumulative disruptions due to construction of multiple Metro projects

**Arts District**
- Opposition to at-grade or aerial alignment on Alameda Street

**Industrial District**
- Opposition to at-grade or aerial alignment on Alameda Street

**High Speed Rail, Metrolink, Federal Railroad Administration**
- Preference for alternatives that do not limit existing or planned capacity at Union Station for regional rail services

**Re-scoping Northern Alignment Options**
- Re-scoping and public meetings needed for expanded northern study options
  - FTA guidance
  - CEQA compliance
Environmental Scoping Alternatives
Northern Alignment Considerations

- Links southeast LA County communities to DTLA employment and cultural center
- Connections to Metro Rail and Regional Rail networks
- Ridership, travel time and customer experience
- Minimize impacts to existing neighborhoods
- Project feasibility, budget and schedule considerations
Proposed New Alignments for Refined Analysis
Updated Environmental Planning Process

- Board Authorizes Study on Additional Northern Alignments
- Refined Northern Alignment Options Move Into ADEIS/R
- Refined Northern Alignment Options Re-scoping per FTA & CEQA
- DEIS/R Released for Agency & Public Review & Comment
- Board Selects LPA
- Board Certifies FEIR
- FTA Issues ROD for FEIS

Ongoing Public Participation

* Timeline Subject to Change
Transit-Oriented Communities (TOC)

Corridor TOC Goals:
• Prepare a vision for TOC along the corridor
• Develop TOC implementation strategy
  – Land use planning
  – Economic development strategy
  – Active Transportation Plan

Next Steps:
• Complete the study by end of 2018
• Identify $5 million in funding to carry out the implementation strategy
Next Steps

• **January – February:** Conduct Board staff and stakeholder briefings

• **February:** Board action to add new northern alignment alternatives

• **February – May:** Conduct an updated screening evaluation process for the revised northern alignment options

• **Late spring:** Board action on refined northern alignment options and to reinitiate environmental scoping
Thank you