

Eco-Rapid Transit, formerly known as the Orangeline Development Authority, is a joint powers authority (JPA) created to pursue development of a transit system that moves as rapidly as possible, uses grade separation as appropriate, and is environmentally friendly and energy efficient. The system is designed to enhance and increase transportation options for riders of this region utilizing safe, advanced transit technology to expand economic growth that maximizes ridership in Southern California. The Authority is composed of the following public agencies:

City of Artesia

City of Bell

City of Bell Gardens

City of Bellflower

City of Cudahy

City of Downey

City of Glendale

City of Huntington Park

City of Maywood

City of Paramount

City of South Gate

City of Vernon

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AGENDA REPORT

TO: Members of Eco-Rapid Transit
FROM: Michael Kodama, Executive Director
DATE: January 9, 2019
SUBJECT: UPDATE AND/OR ACTION REGARDING WEST SANTA ANA BRANCH ENVIRONMENTAL PROCESS

Public comments on items on the agenda will be taken at the time the item is called and are limited to 3 minutes per speaker

ISSUE

Eco-Rapid Transit staff will provide an update regarding the West Santa Ana Branch Environmental Process.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board:

1. Discuss information presented and offer action items; and/or
2. Receive and file the item



WEST SANTA ANA BRANCH (WSAB) TRANSIT CORRIDOR PROJECT

Project Updates

Please join us to learn about the latest updates and provide your feedback on the West Santa Ana Branch (WSAB) Transit Corridor Project, a 19-mile light rail transit line that would connect downtown LA to southeast LA County.

Metro formally initiated the environmental studies with the original public scoping meetings in summer 2017, and later held updated public scoping meetings in summer 2018 to get feedback on the northern alignments. Based on the feedback received through both public scoping periods and other ongoing outreach efforts, the Metro Board approved updates to the project definition in December 2018.

Key updates to the project definition include, but are not limited to:

- > Aerial structure over the I-10 freeway will be added; this structure will begin on the north side of the freeway and continue south to the Slauson Station
- > Five aerial grade separations will be added along the WSAB corridor

The following project components will be removed from further consideration:

- > Three proposed stations (Washington, Vernon and 183rd/Gridley)
- > Optional Bloomfield extension and station
- > Alternative G2 (Pershing Square design option)

As directed by the Board, a separate Feasibility Study will be conducted for a potential station at the LA River and Rio Hondo confluence site in South Gate to determine whether to advance it into environmental review after the completion of the environmental process.

To learn more, visit metro.net/wsab



Meeting Details

DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES (LITTLE TOKYO)

Wednesday, January 30, 2019, 5–7pm

Nishi Hongwanji Buddhist Temple
815 E 1st St, Los Angeles, CA 90012
> *Intérprete en español / 日本語通訳*

SOUTH GATE

Saturday, February 2, 2019, 10am–2pm

South Gate Girls Club House
4940 Southern Av, South Gate, CA 90280
> A Kids Corner will be available
> *Intérprete en español*

ARTESIA

Thursday, February 7, 2019, 6–8pm

Albert O. Little Community Center
18750 Clarkdale Av, Artesia, CA 90701
> *Intérprete en español*

For those unable to attend the meetings, a video recording of the formal presentation will be made available on the project website at the conclusion of the meeting series.

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日本語	x6	ភាសាជប៉ុន	x10

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