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**PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 20, 2021**

SUBJECT: COUNTYWIDE PLANNING MAJOR PROJECT STATUS

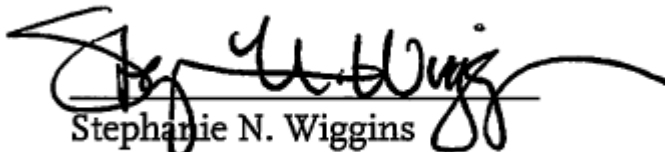
ACTION: ORAL REPORT

RECOMMENDATION

RECEIVE oral report on the Countywide Planning Major Project Status.

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Countywide Planning Monthly Project Updates

Oct 2021 Monthly Update

> Major Pillar Projects

- West Santa Ana Branch
- C (Green) Line Ext to Torrance
- Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2
- Sepulveda Transit Corridor

> Other Projects in Planning and Development

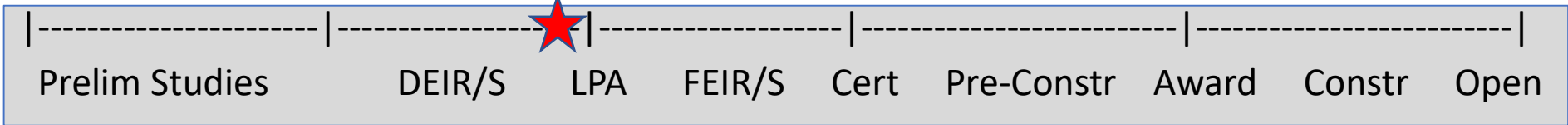
Pillar Projects Measure M Baseline Schedules

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	Measure M Opening Dates 3-Year Window
West Santa Ana Branch			Draft EIS/EIR Board selects LPA Final EIS/EIR Board certifies EIR FTA issues ROD							FY 2028 - 2030 (Initial Segment Board Selected LPA) FY 2041 - 2043 (Second Segment)
C (Green) Line Extension to Torrance			Draft EIR Board selects LPA Final EIR Board certifies EIR							FY 2030 - 2032
Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2			Draft Supplemental EIR Board selects LPA Final EIR Board certifies EIR							FY 2035 - 2037
Sepulveda Transit Corridor		Board awards Environmental contract	EIS/EIR Board selects LPA Board certifies EIR FTA issues ROD							FY 2033 - 2035 (Initial Segment) FY 2057 - 2059 (Second Segment)

Schedules are subject to change based on funding and environmental review



West Santa Ana Branch Transit Corridor



Recent Activities

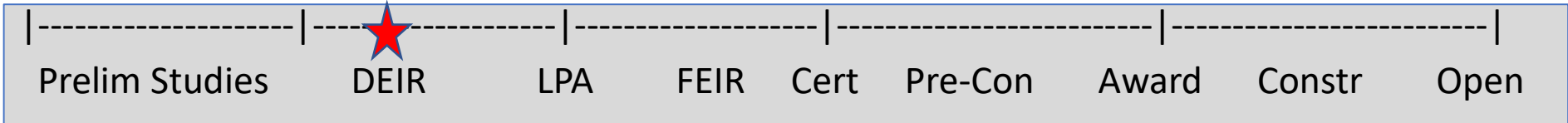
- July 30: Draft EIR/S released (60-day comment period)
 - 3 public hearings; 1 additional hearing with 3 tech booths
 - 3 community information sessions; 1 additional info session with 2 tech booths
 - 8 public forums attended by over 400 stakeholders
 - 19 in-person "pop-up" information booths
 - 40+ stakeholder/agency briefings & meetings to date
- Sept 28: Public Comment Period closed

Next Actions

- Oct/Nov: Compile Public Comments
- January 2022 (anticipated): Board selects Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) and Final EIR/S begins



C (Green) Line Extension to Torrance



Recent Activities

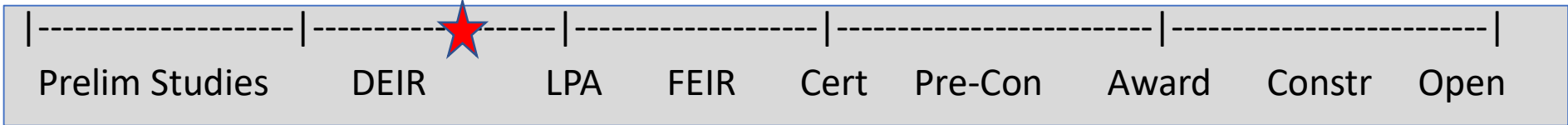
- Aug 23 - Sept 16: Engagement w/ Cities of Torrance and Lawndale
- Sept 29: BNSF Site visit
- Launching virtual "neighborhood walks" on Metro website to gather community input
- Advancing technical studies to inform project definition

Next Actions

- Developing advanced conceptual engineering (15% design) to inform Draft EIR
- Spring 2022 (anticipated): Draft EIR release



Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2



Recent Activities

- Outreach and engagement:
 - Sept 2: Washington Coalition
 - Sept 16: East LA Business Group Leaders
 - Sept 27: Vision City Terrace
 - Sept 22: CBO Roundtable Meet/Greet
- Engineering team to submitted design package in September for staff review in advance of public presentations

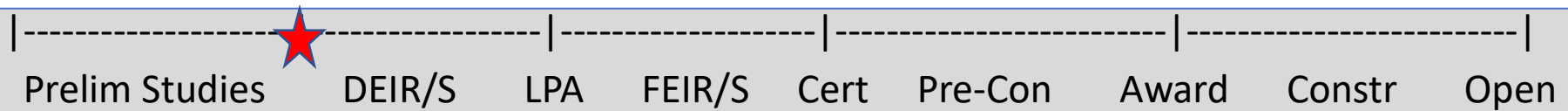


Next Actions

- Environmental team to analyze the engineering design package submittal
- Chartering meeting with CBOs in anticipation of Fall outreach activities
- Share Atlantic/Pomona Station options with stakeholders
- Spring 2022 (anticipated): Draft EIR release



Sepulveda Transit Corridor



Recent Activities

- Preparation underway for environmental scoping meetings

Next Actions

- PDA Team are preparing submittals for Environmental Scoping
- Preparation for a community update in late October



East San Fernando Valley Shared ROW Study

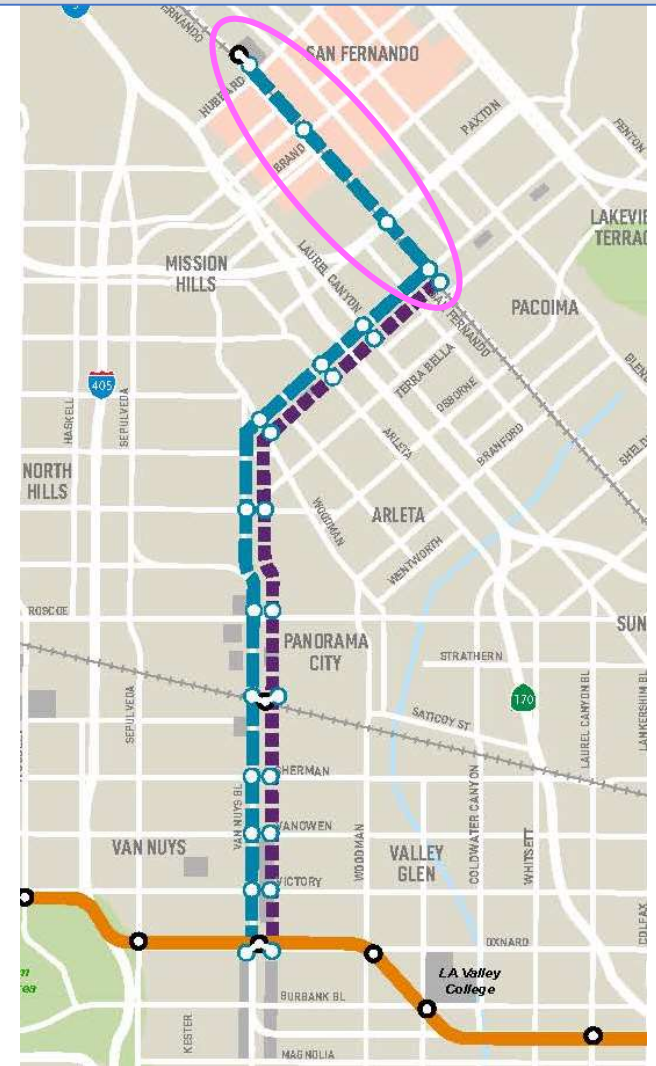


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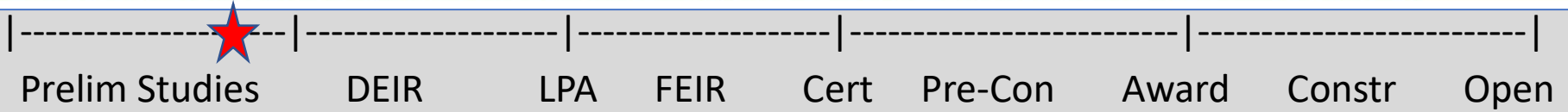
- Study Consultant Selection underway in coordination with Metrolink and cities of San Fernando and Los Angeles.
- Study to be conducted in two phases:
 - Phase 1, followed by Phase 2 pending Metro Board authorization after completion of Phase 1

Next Actions

- Select Supplemental Study contractor, seek Metro Board authorization to award contract, & commence work on Phase 1.



North San Fernando Valley BRT Improvements



Recent Activities

- Coordinating with NextGen, Speed and Reliability, and Community Relations

Next Actions

- Fall/Winter 2021: Conduct key stakeholder and community engagement
- Spring 2022 (anticipated): Board consideration of recommended project alternative



North Hollywood to Pasadena BRT



Recent Activities

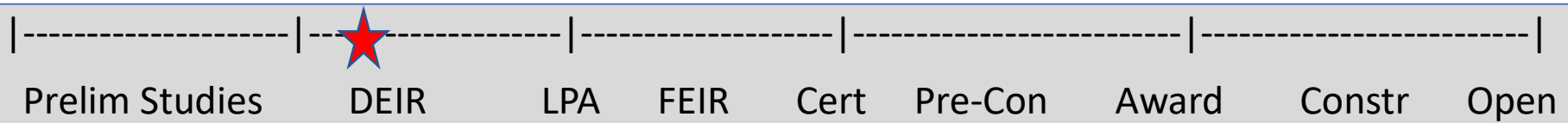
- Ongoing coordination with Burbank and Eagle Rock to explore design options
- Illustrated proposed BRT operations and effects on local traffic volumes and circulation for design options in Eagle Rock
- Held virtual community meetings on 9/23 and 10/7 on potential design refinements in Eagle Rock and Burbank, respectively

Next Actions

- Late 2021/Early 2022: Board considers certifying Final EIR
- Continue advancing project design in North Hollywood, Glendale, and Pasadena



Crenshaw Northern Extension



Recent Activities

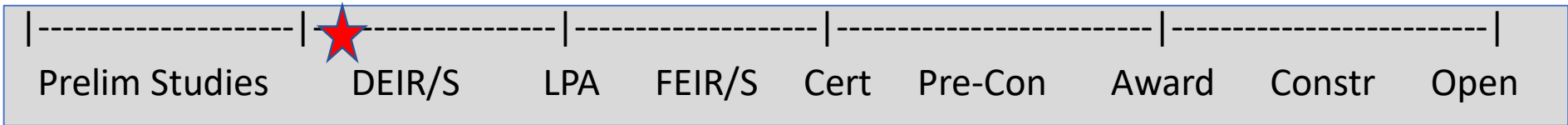
- Advancing technical studies following EIR Scoping Meetings

Next Actions

- Developing station studies as part of advanced conceptual engineering to inform Draft EIR
- Continuing stakeholder engagement to inform project definition



Los Angeles River Path



Recent Activities

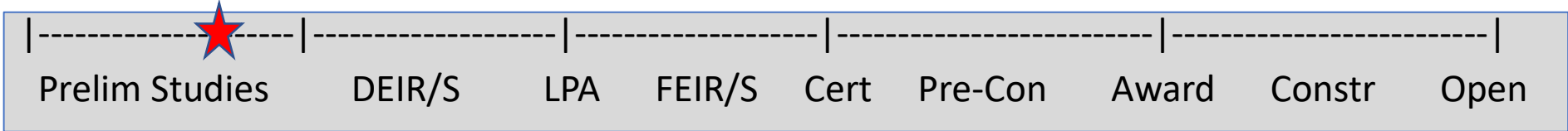
- Work progressing on Admin Draft EIR
- Coordination with various stakeholders
- Execution of MOA with US Army Corps of Engineers for Section 404 Coordination
- Aug 23 & 25: Community Working Group Meeting for Project Re-engagement

Next Actions

- Fall 2021: Public Engagement
- December 2022 (anticipated) Release of Draft EIR



Vermont Transit Corridor



Recent Activities

- Developing Community & CBO engagement strategy in coordination with Community Relations and Office of Equity & Race

Next Actions

- Preparing for community and CBO engagement to advise scope of work for transit EIR Scope of Work



Centinela Grade Separation

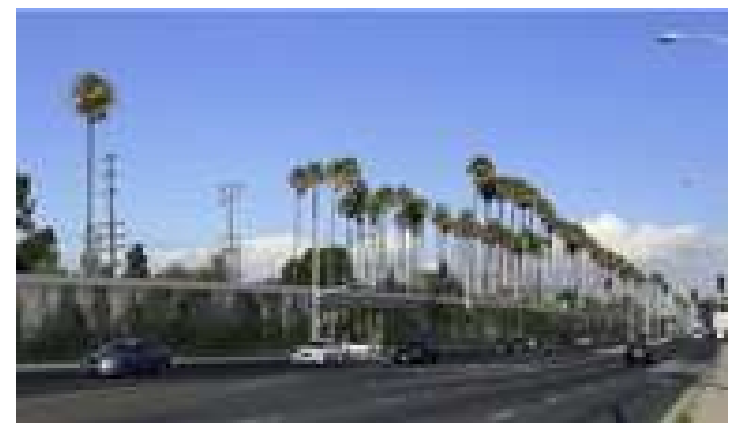


Recent Activities

- May 2021: Initiated Preliminary Engineering (30% design)
- Summer 2021: Ongoing construction coordination with Crenshaw/LAX project
- Coordination with South Bay COG and City of Inglewood

Next Actions

- Fall 2021: Continued coordination with key stakeholders
- Fall 2021/Early 2022: Board update for project status, funding and delivery plan



Sample Rendering of Centinela Grade Separation (Source: HDR)



Rio Hondo Confluence Station Feasibility Study



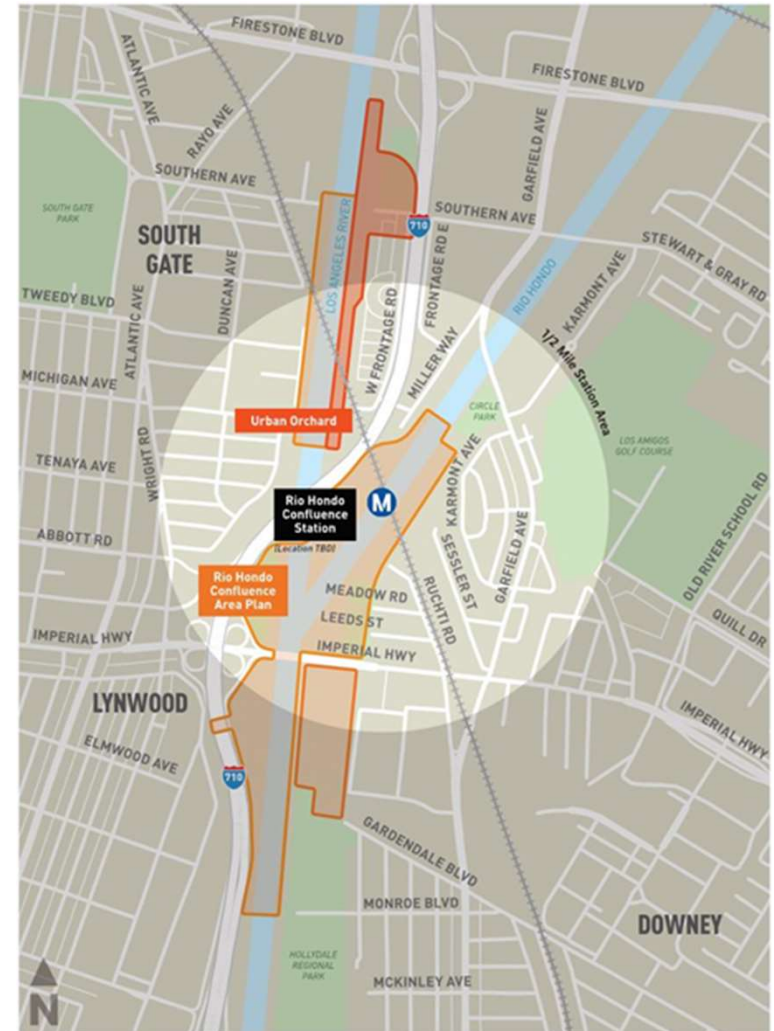
Prelim Studies | DEIR/S | LPA | FEIR/S | Cert | Pre-Con | Award | Constr | Open

Recent Activities

- Completed existing conditions assessment
- Working on draft engineering, station design, high-level environmental assessment, and ridership, building on WSAB Environmental Analysis
- May 2021: Hosted stakeholder forum kick-off meeting

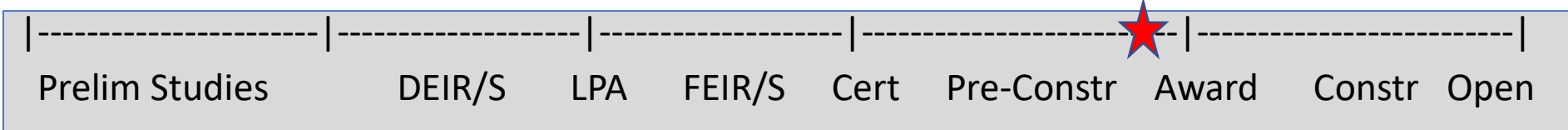
Next Actions

- Finalize analysis and design, and prepare Feasibility Study Report
- Host additional stakeholder forums
- Present findings & recommendations to Metro Board concurrently with WSAB Final EIS/EIR certification



Rail to Rail Active Transportation Corridor

Segment A



Recent Activities

- Feb-June 2021: Pre-construction activities (site clean-up and prep)
- April 2021: IFB solicitation Segment A for construction
- July 16, 2021: Bid opening
- \$77.5M identified to date through grants, Metro local funds and other funding programs



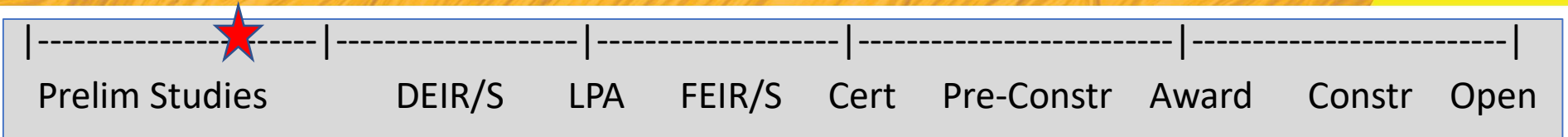
Next Actions

- Work with partners to close funding gap (\$63.5M)
- Nov/Dec 2021 (dependent on funding): Board to authorize Life of Project (LOP) budget
- Jan 2022 (anticipated): Contract award could begin, 32-month construction schedule



Rail to River Active Transportation Corridor

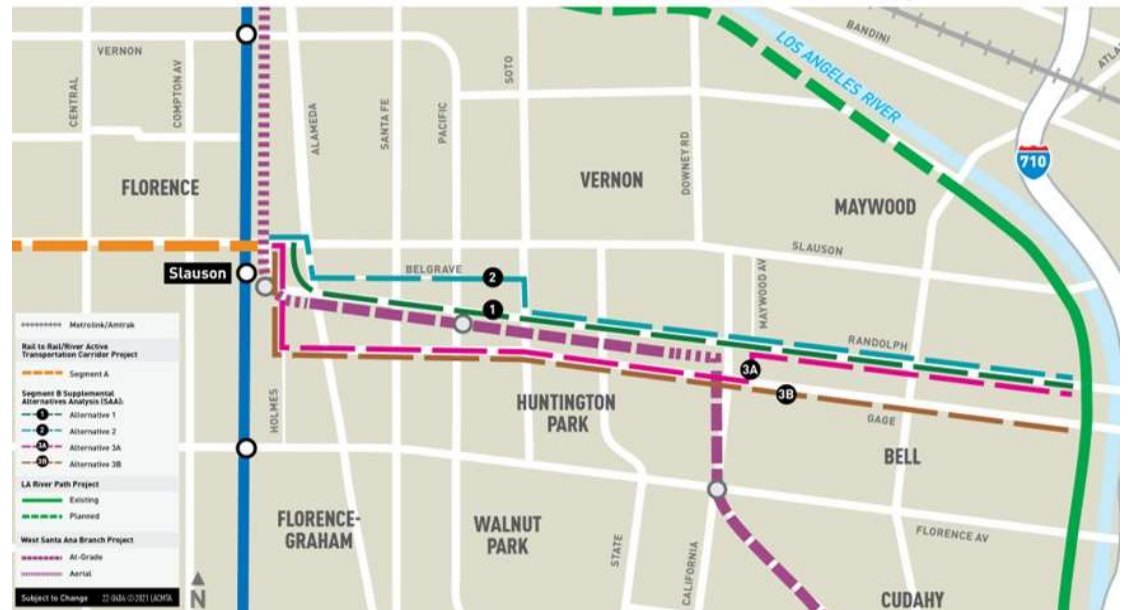
Segment B



Recent Activities

September:

- Conducted 2 virtual public meetings and participated in 3 community "pop-up" events
- Presented to Bell & Huntington Park City Councils

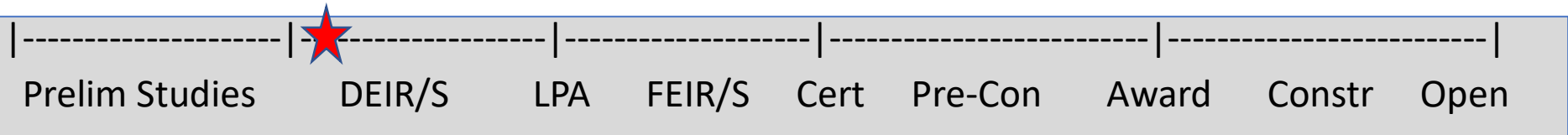


Next Actions

- Continue coordinating with all the affected cities along the corridor
- Fall/Winter 2021/2022 (anticipated): Draft Final Report



Arts District / 6th Street Station



Recent Activities

- March 29, 2021: Notice of Preparation (NOP) published to initiate Draft EIR
- Conducting technical environmental impact analysis
- Preparing conceptual station design

Next Actions

- Summer 2022 (anticipated): Release of Draft EIR

Arts District/6th St Station Study Area



Countywide Planning Dashboard

Pillar Projects								
	Project Name	Env Completion (FY)	Measure M Opening (FY)	Project Phase			Date	Action/Status
				Prelim Studies	Draft Env	Final Env		
1	West Santa Ana Branch LRT	2022	2028-2030		X		January 2022	Selection of LPA
2	C (Green) Line Extension to Torrance LRT	2023	2030-2032		X		Spring 2022	Release Draft EIR
3	Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2	2024	2035-2037		X		Spring 2022	Release of Draft EIS/EIR
4	Sepulveda Transit Corridor	2025	2033-2035		X		Fall 2021	Environmental Scoping



Countywide Planning Dashboard

Other Measure M Projects								
	Project Name	Env Completion (FY)	Measure M Opening (FY)	Project Phase			Date	Action/Status
				Prelim Studies	Draft Env	Final Env		
5	East San Fernando Valley Shared Right-of-Way	TBD	N/A	X			Early 2022	Award contract for Supplemental Study
6	North San Fernando Valley BRT	2022	2023-2025	X			Winter 2021	Board review of recommended project alternative
7	North Hollywood - Pasadena BRT	2022	2022-2024			X	Fall 2021	Return to the Board with further review of design options in Burbank and Eagle Park
8	Crenshaw Northern Extension LRT	2023	2047-2049		X		Fall 2021	Post-Scoping Alternatives Report.
9	LA River Path (central gap)	2024	2025-2028		X		Winter 2022	Receive Draft EIR and Select Locally Preferred Alternative
10	Vermont Transit Corridor	2026	2028-2030	X			Fall 2021	Conduct pre-environmental community/CBO engagement



Countywide Planning Dashboard

Non-Measure M Projects			Project Phase				Date	Action/Status
Project Name	Env Completion (FY)	Opening/ Completion (FY)	Prelim Studies	Draft Env	Final Env			
11	Centinela Grade Separation	2021	2025			X	Fall 2021/Early 2022	Board update on preliminary engineering and funding status
12	Rio Hondo Confluence Station Feasibility Study	TBD. Feasibility Study anticipated to be completed in 2022	TBD	X			TBD	Receive Feasibility Study Report and determine next steps for the potential Rio Hondo Confluence Station
13	Rail-to-Rail ATC (Segment A)	2017	2025	Project has completed Environmental Phase			Nov/Dec 2021	Board to authorize Life of Project (LOP) budget pending funding plan
14	Rail-to-River ATC (Segment B)	TBD	TBD	X			Fall 2021/Winter 2022	Receive Supplemental Alternatives Analysis
15	Arts District/ 6th Street Station HRT	TBD	TBD		X		Summer 2022	Release Draft EIR

