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**PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE  
APRIL 20, 2022**

**SUBJECT: COUNTYWIDE PLANNING MAJOR PROJECT STATUS**

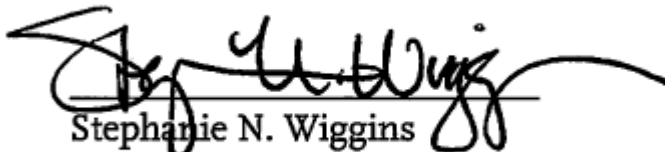
**ACTION: ORAL REPORT**

**RECOMMENDATION**

RECEIVE oral report on the status of Countywide Planning Major Projects.

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# Countywide Planning Monthly Project Updates

## April 2022 Update



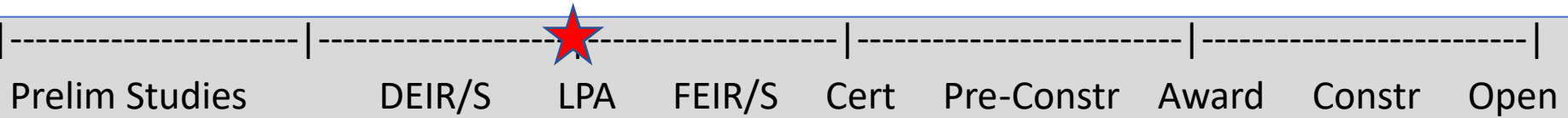
### > Major Pillar Projects

- A) West Santa Ana Branch \*
- B) C (Green) Line Ext to Torrance
- C) Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 \*\*
- D) Sepulveda Transit Corridor \*

### > Other Projects in Planning and Development

- North Hollywood to Pasadena \*
- E. San Fernando Valley Shared ROW
- Rail to River Active Transportation Corridor
- Vermont Transit Corridor
- Los Angeles River Path
- N. San Fernando Valley BRT
- Arts District/6<sup>th</sup> Street Station
- Rio Hondo Confluence Station
- Centinela Grade Separation
- Crenshaw North Extension

# West Santa Ana Branch Transit Corridor



## Recent Activities

- April: Staff response to January Board motion
- Coordination with key stakeholders

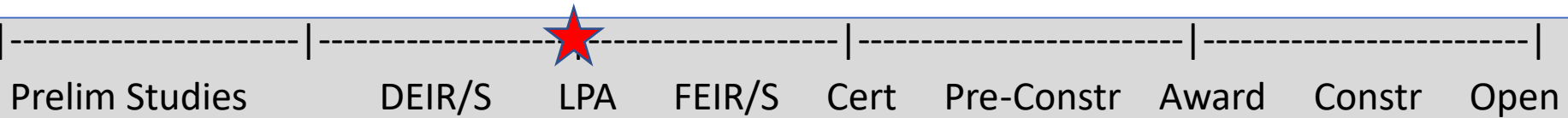
## Next Actions

- Continue coordination with
  - FTA, agencies, cities and key stakeholders on environmental comments
  - Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach
  - Union Pacific Railroad
- Quarterly updates on funding plan and P3 strategies





# West Santa Ana Branch Transit Corridor



## Environmental Update

### UPRR Coordination

- **April:** UPRR meeting with Ports
- **April:** Preparing concepts in response to comments from UPRR on
  - **La Habra Subdivision:** Feasibility of swapping freight & LRT tracks
  - **I-105 freight bridge:** Evaluate track geometry to potentially reduce track curvature
  - **Downey Avenue (World Energy):** Feasibility of roadway grade-separation
- **End of July:** UPRR input on alignment and clearance
- **End of Year:** Anticipated agreement/MOU

### EIS/R comment resolution meetings with all cities to establish an environmental footprint freeze:

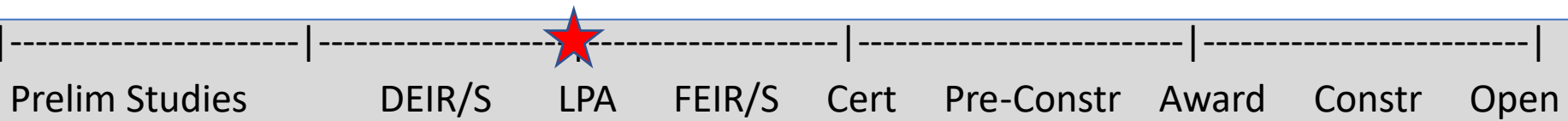
- City of Huntington Park re: WSAB alignment and Rail to River
- Assessment of above grade/aerial sections of the LPA where cut & cover could be constructed at lower cost

*\*Any major design modifications will likely affect the schedule and completion of environmental sections*

FTA coordination to review environmental footprint changes, project schedule, comment approach



# West Santa Ana Branch Transit Corridor



## Funding Plan & P3 Update

### New Starts Status (Planning)

- Project Development kickoff meeting with FTA; Ongoing meetings to work on FTA deliverables and schedule
- Preparing workplan to procure services and produce the required information, materials, and analysis

### Funding Plan Update (Planning)

- New Starts and additional State funding needed for LPA
- Applied for \$1 billion of TIRCP funding
- Additional TIRCP “cycle” later in 2022
- Monitoring State budget surplus proposal
- MEGA notice of funding opportunity pending
- Value capture advisors scheduling meetings with corridor cities

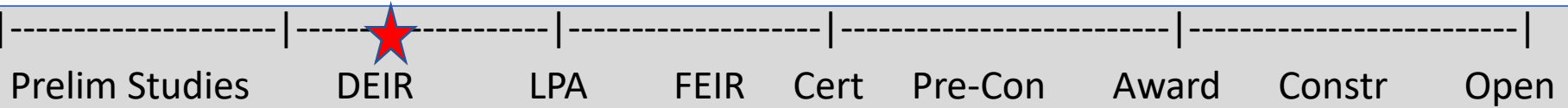
### P3 Evaluation (OEI)

- Financial Advisor Sperry/KPMG has been selected
- Staff updating analysis through collaborative internal workshops on several key topics including:
  - Labor
  - Cost, Schedule, and Risk
  - Funding and Financing
  - Project Readiness
    - UPRR
    - FTA
  - Innovation and Equity





# C (Green) Line Extension to Torrance

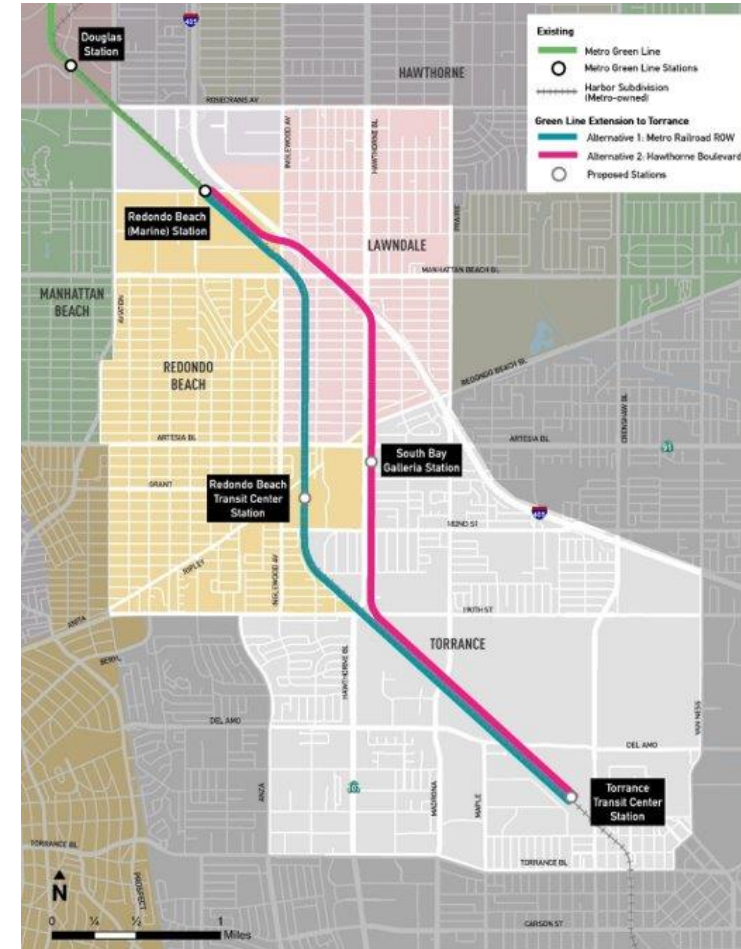


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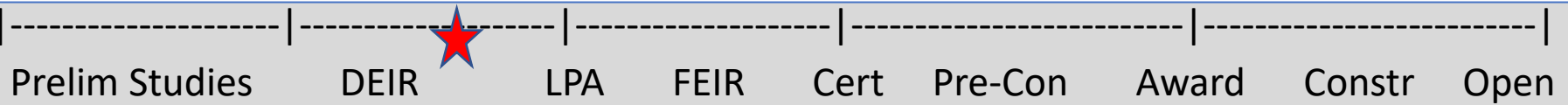
- March 2-12: Community Neighborhood Walks (8) with approximately 200 participants
- Stakeholder meetings with adjacent property owners and neighborhood groups

## Next Actions

- Mid-2022: Public workshops to present updated project designs
- Continue coordination with BNSF, cities, and key stakeholders on project design/footprint
- Fall/Winter 2022 (anticipated): Release Draft EIR followed by Board selection of Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA)



# Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2



## Recent Activities

- April: Report back to the Board on recommendations provided at February's Board meeting
- April 13: Project team participation in Open House in ELA

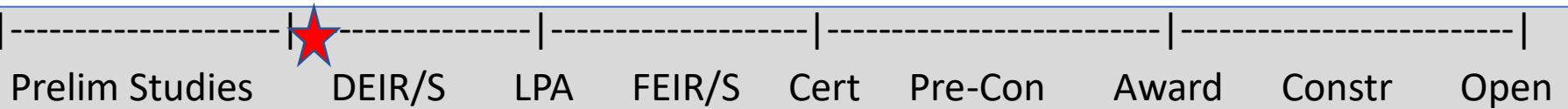
## Next Actions

- Spring/Summer: Prepare for release of the Draft EIR
- Next round of outreach in early June (tent.) prior to the release of the Draft EIR
- Continue to support LA County staff in addressing quality of life (e.g., parking benefits district, etc.) in ELA
- Continue to explore federal funding opportunities and NEPA strategy





# Sepulveda Transit Corridor



## Recent Activities

- March 25: Board Box memo released, with preliminary summary of scoping comments received
- Coordination between PDA teams and ongoing environmental technical studies

## Next Actions

- Summer 2022 (anticipated): Release of full Scoping Report including detailed analysis of nearly 3,100 submissions
- Community update meeting(s)



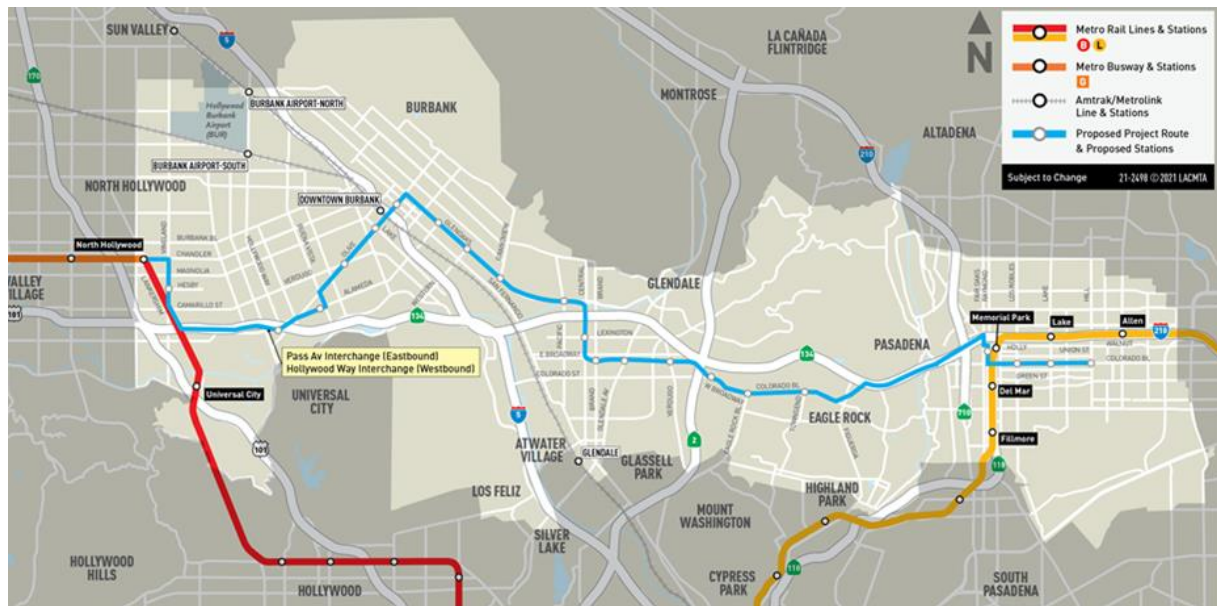


# North Hollywood to Pasadena BRT



## Recent Activities

- March 25: Final EIR released for public review
- April: Board to consider approval of proposed project and certification of FEIR



## Next Actions

- May 2022: Proceed with preliminary engineering and final design in preparation for construction (pending Board certification of FEIR in April)
- Continue coordination with cities and communities

# East San Fernando Valley Shared ROW Study



## Recent Activities

- March 2022: Metro Board authorization of task order
- Coordination with Vendor/Contract Management to execute contract
- Continuing communication with City of San Fernando and Metrolink on planned improvements and environmental actions

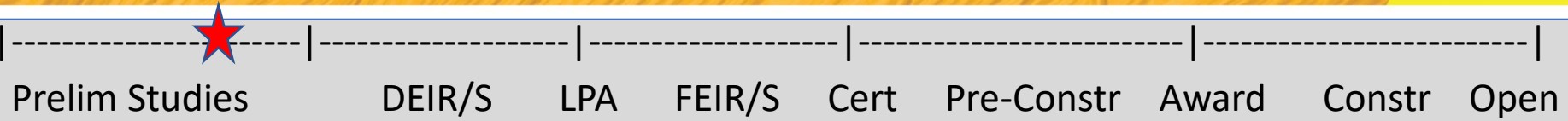


## Next Actions

- Project kick-off, key stakeholder briefings and technical coordination as the study develops

# Rail to River Active Transportation Corridor

## Segment B



## Recent Activities

- Continued coordination with local jurisdictions
- Continued refinements to draft report



## Next Actions

- June 2022: Anticipated Board review of Supplemental Alternatives Analysis Final Report
- Coordinate recommendations with local jurisdictions



# Vermont Transit Corridor



Prelim Studies

DEIR/S

LPA

FEIR/S

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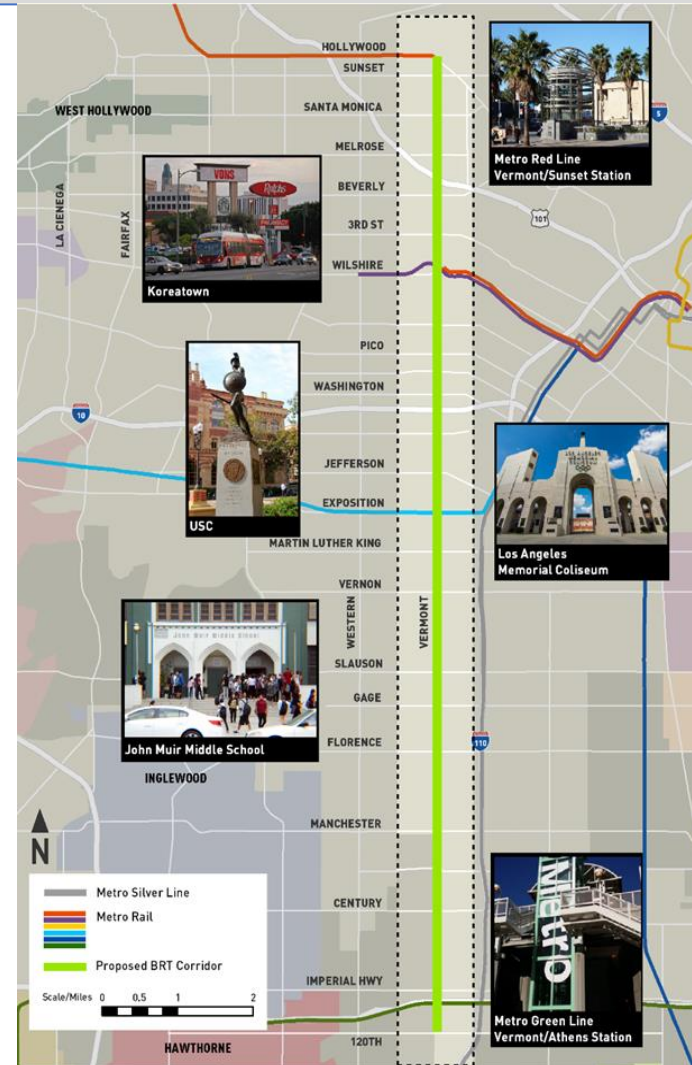
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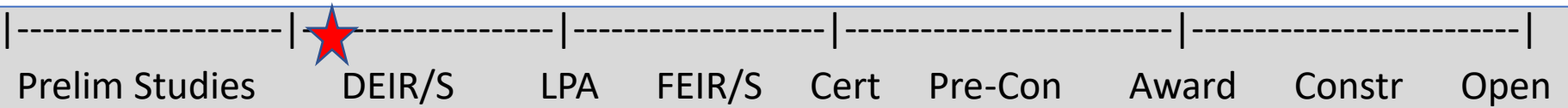
- Continued briefings for key stakeholders
- Ongoing community-led conversations/outreach activities by 13 CBO partners

## Next Actions

- April 23 and 30, May 4 and 7: Metro-hosted community meetings to solicit community feedback and vision for project
- Input and feedback will inform the scope for environmental study
- August 2022 (anticipated): Return to Board with proposed plan for environmental studies



# Los Angeles River Path



## Recent Activities

- Board adopted Motion 31 (March 24, 2022)
- Ongoing development of MOAs
- Ongoing technical work for Draft EIR
- Mar 31: Coordination Meeting USACE Ecosystem Restoration Project
- Apr 7: Quarterly 214 Meeting with USACE Regulatory Group (404 Permitting)

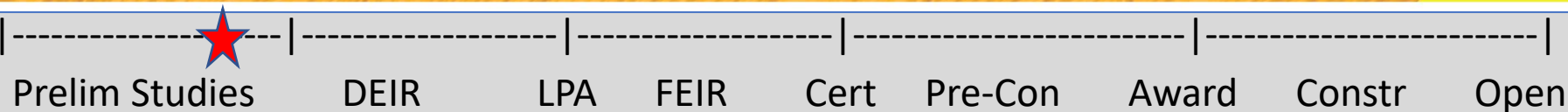
## Next Actions

- Advance design of bike/ped bridge over US-101
- Apr 27: Steering Committee Meeting





# North San Fernando Valley BRT Improvements



## Recent Activities

- Conducted key stakeholder engagement
- Continue additional analysis of proposed project in coordination with NextGen

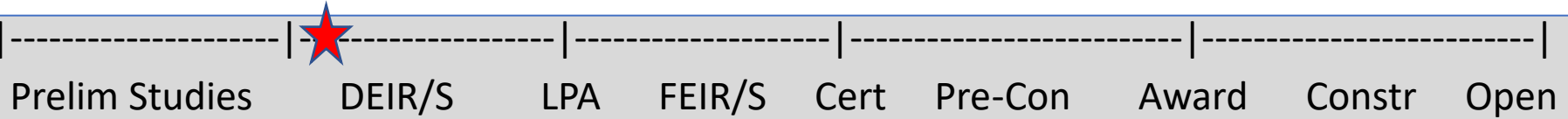
## Next Actions

- Spring/Summer 2022: Conduct community engagement
- Summer/Fall 2022 (anticipated): Board consideration of recommended changes to project alternative





# Arts District / 6<sup>th</sup> Street Station



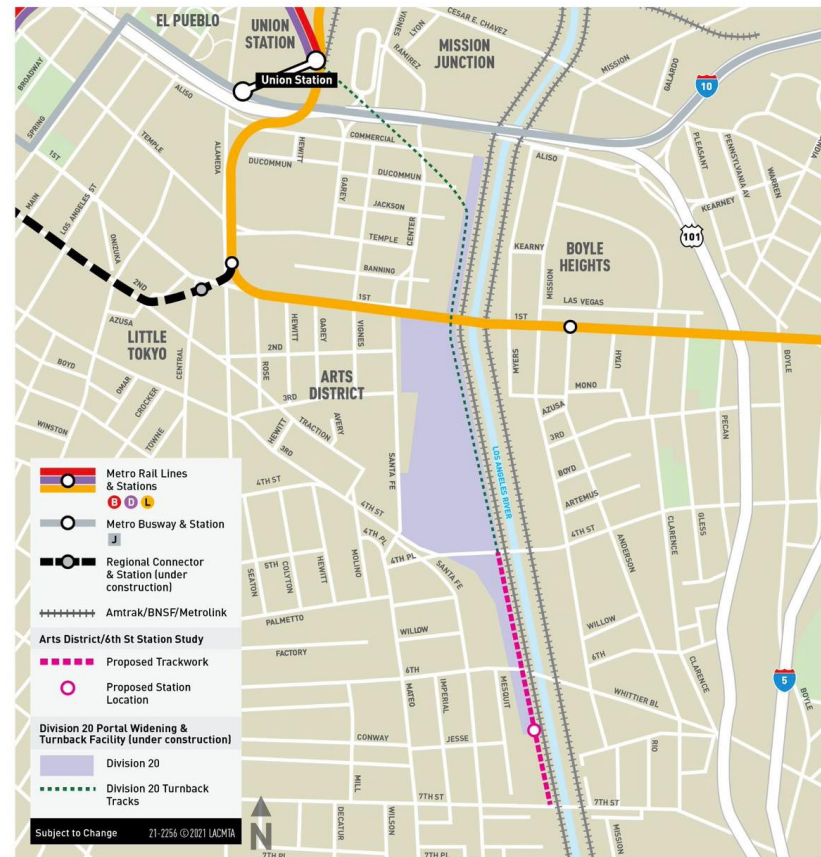
## Recent Activities

- Conducting technical environmental impact analysis including air quality, land use, etc.
- Evaluating conceptual station design, especially related to pedestrian connectivity in coordination with key stakeholders

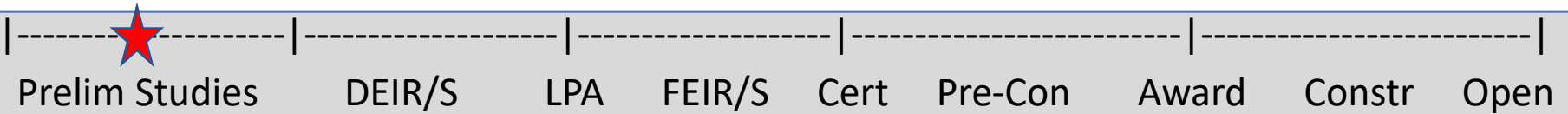
## Next Actions

- Continue coordination with key agencies and stakeholders
- Summer 2022 (anticipated): Draft EIR Release

Arts District/6th St Station  
Study Area



# Rio Hondo Confluence Station Feasibility Study



## Recent Activities

- March 24: Stakeholder forum (virtual) to share progress and preliminary findings
- Advancing the draft engineering, station design, high-level environmental assessment, cost estimates, and ridership, building on WSAB Environmental Analysis

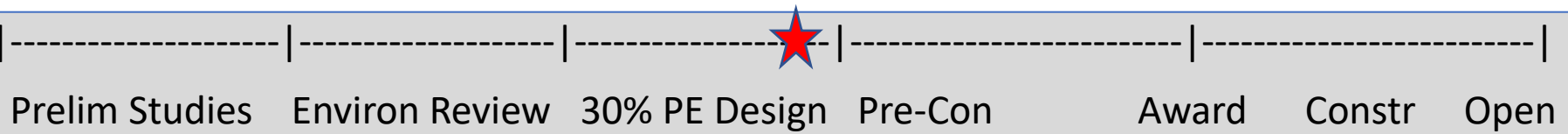
## Next Actions

- Summer 2022: Prepare/complete Feasibility Study Report
- Fall 2022: Present findings & recommendations to Metro Board concurrent with WSAB Final EIS/EIR certification





# Centinela Grade Separation



## Recent Activities

- Design and utility coordination with City of Inglewood, California Public Utilities Commission, LA County Public Works, and SoCal Edison
- Construction coordination with Crenshaw/LAX project and Airport Metro Connector project

## Next Actions

- Spring/Summer 2022: Board review of Preliminary Engineering design, updated cost estimates, and project delivery alternatives



Sample Rendering of Centinela Grade Separation (Source: HDR)



# Crenshaw Northern Extension

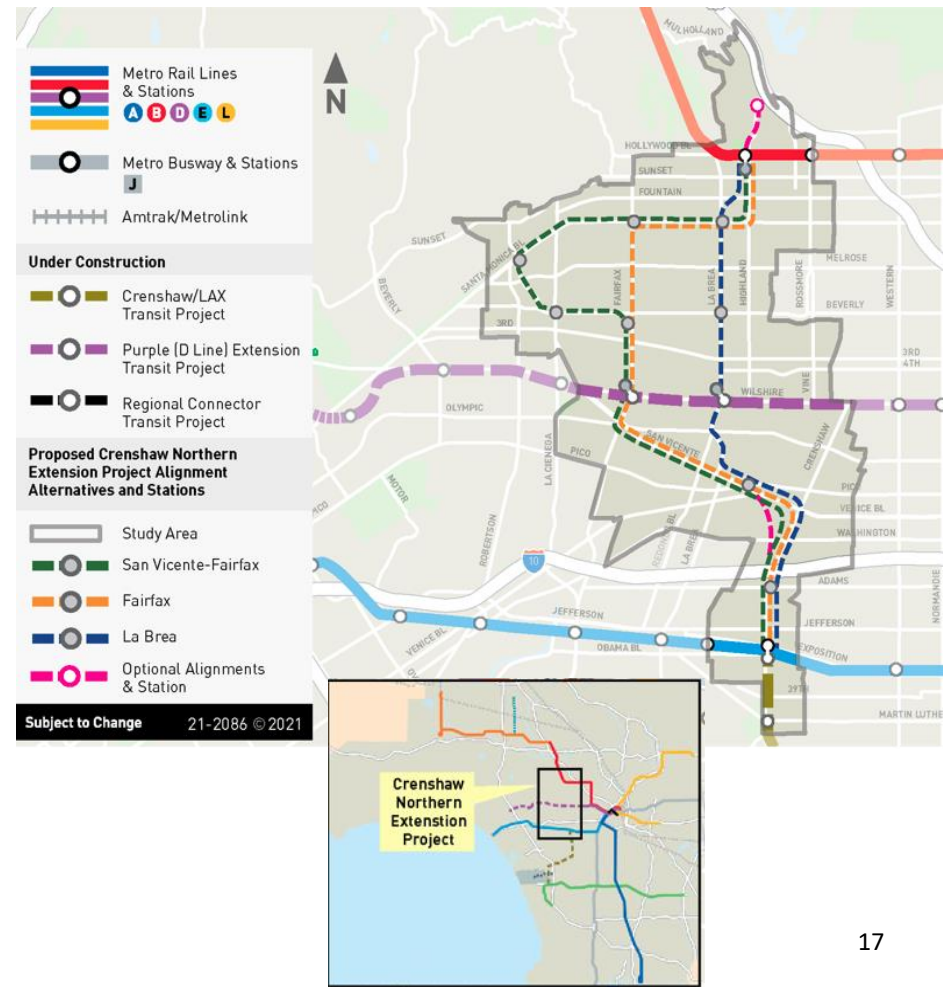


## Recent Activities

- Station Planning Workshops
- Continue to advance engineering, alignment and station design, field and geotechnical investigation to inform Project Definition
- Coordination w/ Tunnel Advisory Panel
- Coordination w/ major institutions

## Next Actions

- Continue coordination w/ major institutions
- Preparation underway for Summer Public Outreach



# Measure M Expenditure Plan

## Groundbreaking to Opening Dates

Measure M  
Opening Dates  
3-Year Window

2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036	2037	2038	2039	2040	2041	2042	2043	2044	2045	2046	2047	2048	2049	Measure M Opening Dates 3-Year Window																															
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