



Board Report

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MEASURE M INDEPENDENT TAXPAYER OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MARCH 4, 2026

SUBJECT: MEASURE M ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION UPDATES

ACTION: RECEIVE ORAL REPORT

RECOMMENDATION

RECEIVE oral report on Measure M Active Transportation, programmed revenues, and uses to support discussion on the effective and efficient use of funds.

ISSUE

To support the discussion for the effective and efficient use of funds, this quarterly presentation provides the committee with the status of Metro active transportation activities related to Measure M projects, including the LA River Waterway & System Bike Path and the Metro Active Transport (MAT) Program.

EQUITY PLATFORM

The Measure M related activities for active transportation include two projects in the Measure M Expenditure Plan that will connect the bike path gaps along the Los Angeles River in the San Fernando Valley and in Central Los Angeles, as well as the Metro Active Transport, Transit and First/Last Mile (MAT) Program, a discretionary grant program guided by the priorities in the Active Transportation Strategic Plan (ATSP). Measure M also funds active transportation projects programmed by subregions through the Multiyear Subregional Program (MSP). In addition to funding these activities, Metro engages in First/Last Mile planning for communities to access existing and future major transit stops. Equity is built into Metro's approach to all these activities.

The 2023 ATSP identified and prioritized a regional active transportation network based on criteria, including overlap with Equity Focus Communities (EFC). Projects in the ATSP regional network were eligible for MAT Program Cycle 2 funding. In addition to evaluating projects for investments in EFCs, MAT Cycle 2 project applications were evaluated based on factors including robust partnerships with Community Based Organizations (CBO) to ensure community engagement in project development. Project applications that were submitted for MAT Cycle 1 in 2020 were given bonus points for locations within EFCs. All selected projects that are being developed using Cooperative Agreements with Metro include CBO partnerships.

The LA River Project - Central City section directly serves seven EFC census tracts in the communities of Lincoln Heights, Chinatown, and Boyle Heights. Approximately 23% of the population in this area lives under the poverty line and more than 22% of the working-age population does not use cars as a primary mode of transportation. This path will not only be used for recreational purposes but also serve as a safe low-cost transportation option for those who have limited car ownership. The LA River Project - San Fernando Valley section directly serves two EFCs in the community of Reseda. It is being delivered by the City of Los Angeles.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A - Presentation

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Metro is making it easier to walk, bike, and roll.

ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION UPDATES

MEASURE M INDEPENDENT TAXPAYER OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

MARCH 4, 2026

Measure M Support for Active Transportation

- > Measure M Expenditure Plan Projects
 - LA River Waterway & System Bike Path (Central City)
 - Complete LA River Bike Path (San Fernando Valley)
 - Metro Active Transport (MAT) Program (32 projects)
- > Locally-Selected Projects
 - Local Return
 - Multi-year Subregional Program (MSP)
 - 3% Local Contribution for First/Last Mile Projects



LA River Waterway & System Bike Path (Central Cities)

Preliminary Studies

Draft EIR

Final EIR

Preconstruction

Construction

Open

- > Selection of a single alternative and start of 60% design (subject to comments from US Army Corps of Engineers and LA Department of Water & Power (LADWP))
- > Potential to phase the project by segment
- > Agreements with Third Parties in progress:
 - LA County, City of LA, LADWP, Railroads, Caltrans
 - Agreement with the City of Vernon being revised due to LA County coordination
- > Operations & Maintenance lead and Construction Entity, yet to be determined

Update since December MMITOC meeting:

- Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) was released on Dec 18, 2025, followed by a 47-day public comment period ending on Feb 02, 2026
- Four public hearings were held:
 - In-person: Jan 21, 2026; Jan 27, 2026, Jan 31, 2026
 - Virtual: Jan 29, 2026



Complete LA River Bike Path (San Fernando Valley)

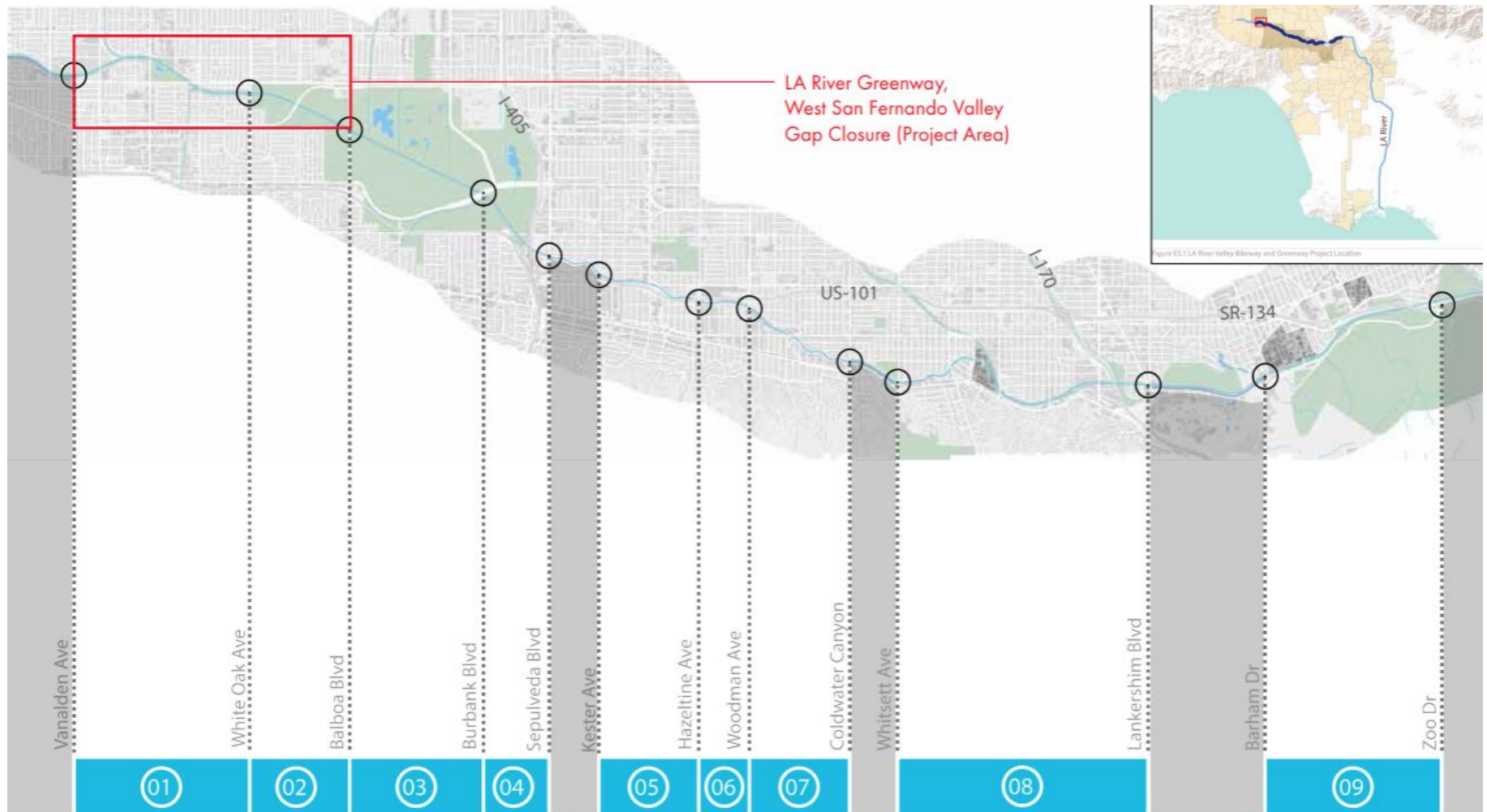
- > LA Bureau of Engineering is Lead Agency
- > 13 miles of bikeway gap closures
 - 9 segments: Vanalden Ave to Forest Lawn Dr
 - Design of all segments to be complete by 2029; construction of all segments expected by 2032
- > Cost estimate for all segments is \$170M
- > \$70M in Measure M funding
 - \$60M in Expenditure Plan for all segments; \$24M for Segments 1 & 2, \$36M for remaining segments
 - \$10M in MAT funding for Segments 1 & 2
- > \$18.6M in California Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 4 funding for Segments 1 & 2
- > \$34M in ATP Cycle 6 funding for Segment 8
- > City seeking remaining funding
- > City leading all phases of development, including operations and maintenance (in partnership with US Army Corps of Engineers)



Segment of LA River Bike Path completed in 2014

Update since December MMITOC meeting:
Revised RFP for construction of Segments 1 & 2 released in January 2026. Bids were received in February.

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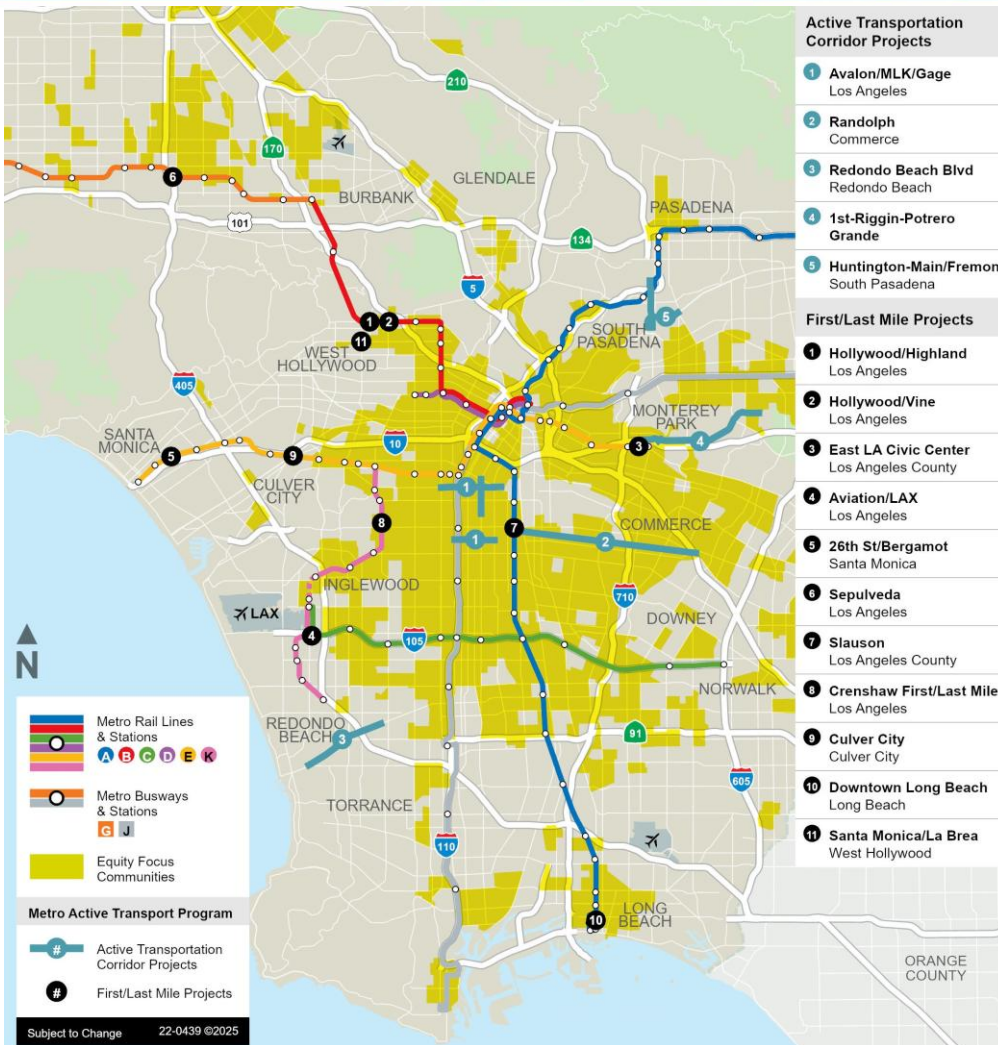
Los Angeles River Valley Bikeway and Greenway Design Completion Project
(2017 Feasibility Study)

Constructed Segments or in Design Phase

01 Segment Number



Metro Active Transport Program Cycle 1

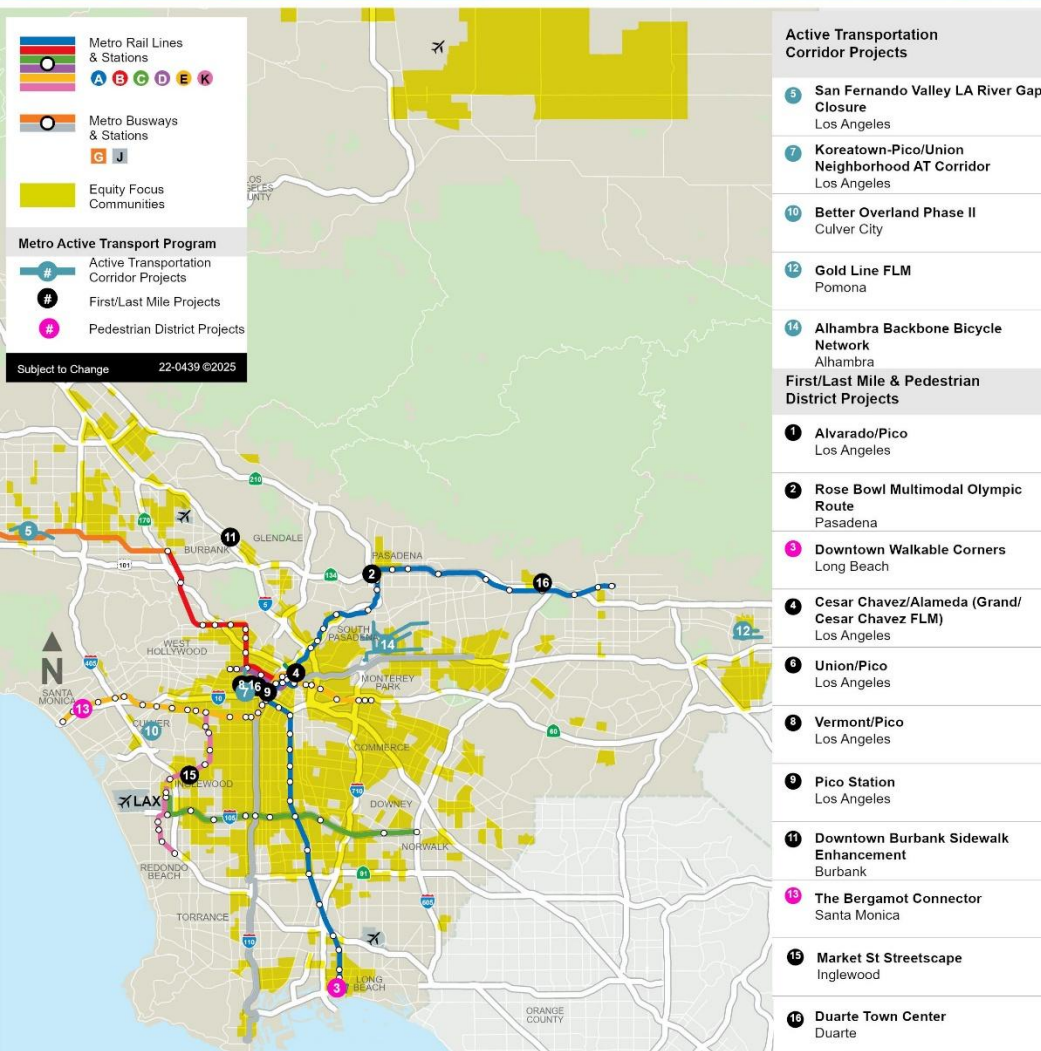


- > \$69.5M programmed to 10 jurisdictions:
 - 11 First/Last Mile Projects
 - 5 Active Transportation Corridor Projects
- > Most projects in Planning and Design Phase
- > Significant funding capacity remains as of December:

MAT Cycle 1 Funds Spent	Funds Programmed
\$7,538,847	\$69,500,000

Update since December MMITOC meeting:
None

Metro Active Transport Program Cycle 2



> \$85.5M programmed to 10 jurisdictions:

- 9 First/Last Mile Projects
- 2 Pedestrian District Projects
- 5 Active Transportation Corridor Projects

> Most projects are for construction phase

- 3 awards require completion for 2028 Games; 8 are Games-supportive

> Projects include:

- **30.5 miles** of active transportation improvements including **28.3 miles of bike lanes/paths**
- Improvements to crosswalks, signals, curb extensions, curb ramps, and traffic calming/diversion for safer access to **11 transit stops/stations**

Update since December MMITOC: Funding Agreements and Cooperative Agreements being drafted and executed.

Thank you



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