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# Next stop: more rail in the South Bay.

**C LINE (GREEN) EXTENSION TO TORRANCE**

Metro Rail & Busway



**SOUTH BAY CITIES COG  
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE  
PROJECT UPDATE, SEPTEMBER 8, 2025**



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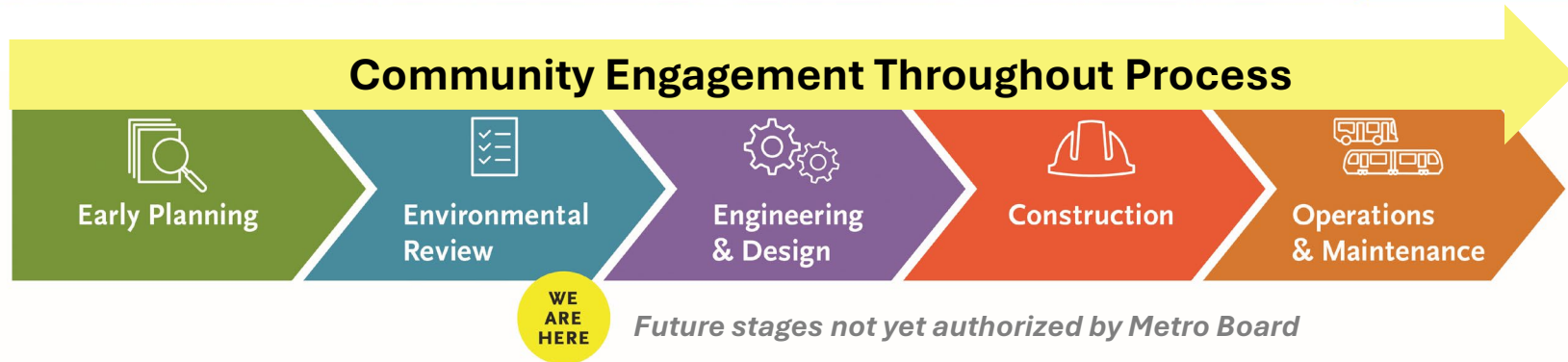
# Metro K Line

While previously envisioned as an extension of the C Line, the Project would travel through Lawndale, Redondo Beach and Torrance and operate as part of the Metro K Line with direct access to:

- LAX, Inglewood, and Central LA
- Metro C and E Lines
- Redondo Beach and Torrance Transit Centers



# Stages of Project Development



## Metro is leading the environmental review process under CEQA:

- Early 2021: Initiated public scoping for EIR
- Early 2023: Released Draft EIR for 61-day public comment period
  - Received over 2,000 public comments on Draft EIR
- Spring 2024: Metro Board of Directors selected Hybrid Alternative as Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) and directed staff to continue EIR process
- Summer 2025: Released Final EIR, including responses to all public comments on the Draft EIR



# What was studied in Draft EIR?

## Multiple alignments, options and alternatives were studied in the Draft EIR:

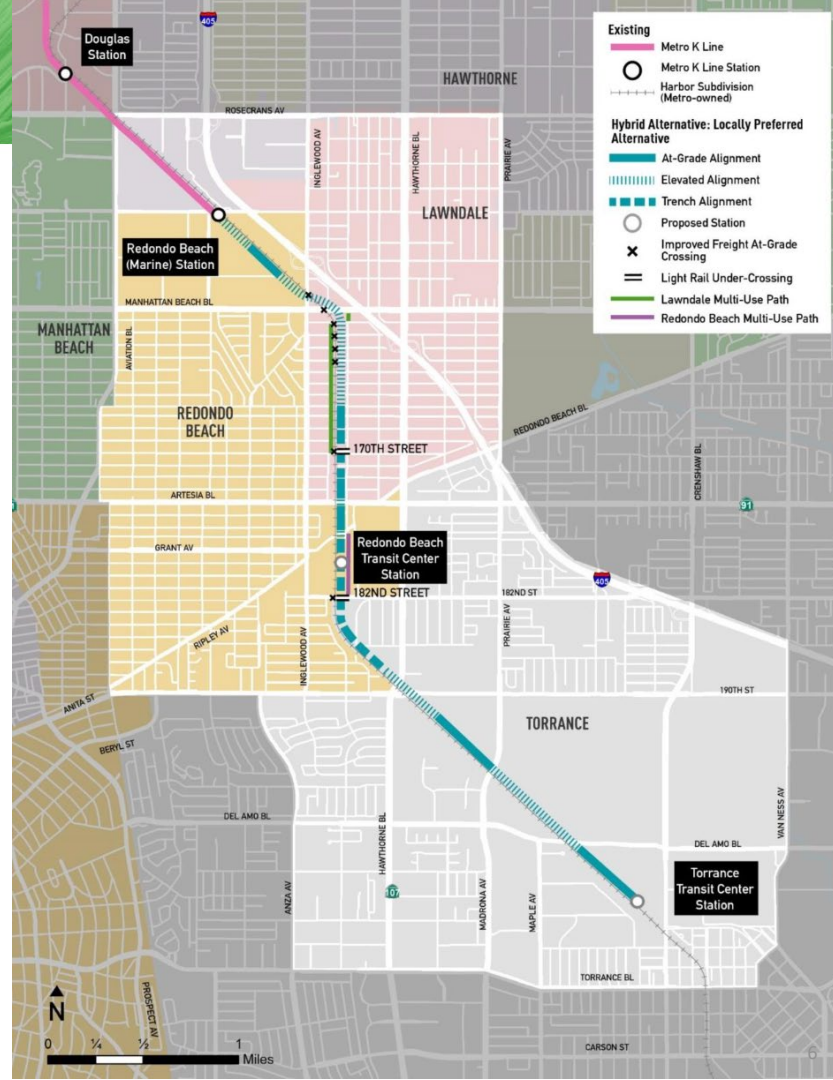
- Elevated/At-Grade Alignment (*identified as the Proposed Project in the Draft EIR*)
- Trench Option
- Hawthorne Option
- 170th/182nd Grade-Separated Light Rail Transit Alternative (Hybrid Alternative/LPA)
- High Frequency Bus Alternative
- No Project Alternative



# Metro Board Selection of LPA

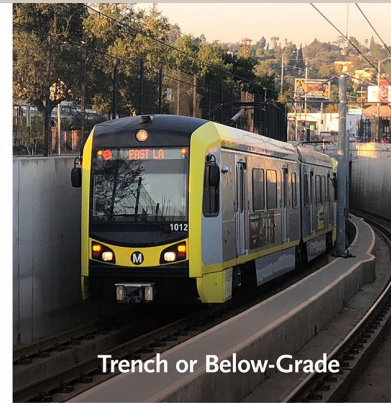
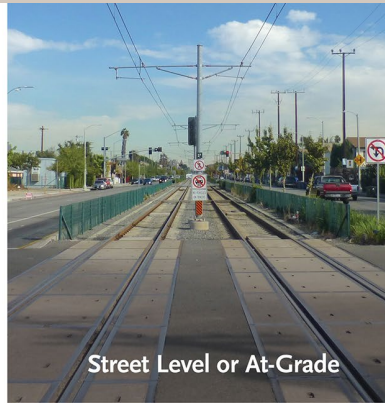
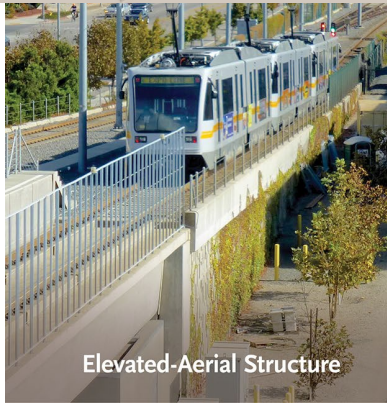
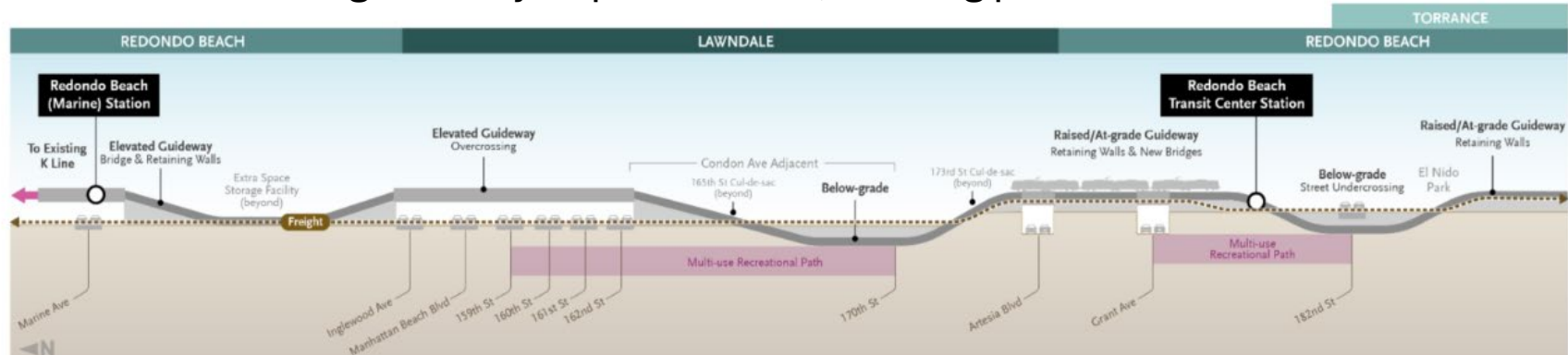
**On May 23, 2024, the Metro Board selected the Hybrid Alternative as the Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) and directed staff to:**

- Continue the EIR process under CEQA
- Complete studies to respond fully to public comments received on the ROW and Hawthorne Blvd Alignments in the Final EIR
- Continue to develop refined cost estimates for the LPA and funding plan



# Locally Preferred Alternative/Hybrid Alternative

The LPA fully grade separates light rail with elevated, at-grade and trench segments and includes freight safety improvements, walking paths and two new stations.





# Extensive Community Engagement During EIR

## Spring 2021 to Winter 2024

- 4,700+ comments received
- 20,000 views of the Project StoryMap sites (2021-2025)
- 2,100+ attendees at meetings and events
- 3 Scoping Meetings in 2021: 387 attendees
- 12 Neighborhood Walks in Spring 2022: 400 attendees
- 4 Open Houses in Summer 2022: 600 attendees
- 5 Draft EIR Public Hearings in early 2023: 421 attendees
- 8 Transit Rider Intercepts in 2023: 150 transit riders
- 2 Community Events with Director Mitchell's office in Winter 2023/2024: 300 attendees
- Pop-up events
- 560 businesses engaged through door-to-door outreach
- Dozens of coordination meetings with cities and stakeholders



\*Not all attendees signed into meetings and overall attendance exceeds listed amount.



# What information is included in the Final EIR?

- **Executive Summary**
- **Ch 1:** Introduction
- **Ch 2:** Description of LPA (Hybrid Alternative)
- **Ch 3:** Design Refinements and Environmental Impact Analysis of Design Refinements
- **Ch 4:** Corrections & Additions to the Draft EIR
- **Ch 5:** Responses to Comments Received on the Draft EIR
- **Appendix A:** Public Engagement Summary
- **Appendix B:** Advanced Conceptual Engineering (ACE) Plans for LPA
- **Appendix C:** Public Comments on Draft EIR
- **Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP)**

# Major Topics Responses in Final EIR

**Chapter 5 of the Final EIR also includes comprehensive responses to 21 major questions and comments from the community.**

MR-1: Selection of Alternatives

MR-2: Noise Methodology

MR-3: Noise Mitigation Measures

MR-4: Potential Negative Health Effects

MR-5: Vibration Impact Types and Impact Thresholds

MR-6: Vibration Analysis During Final Design

MR-7: Utility Relocation & Hazardous Materials Safety

MR-8: Light Rail and Freight Train Safety

MR-9: Light Rail Security

MR-10: Changes to Community Character

MR-11: Traffic Delay and Level-of-Service

MR-12: Emergency Access

MR-13: Soil Stability & Sinkholes

MR-14: Property Values & Impacts to Businesses

MR-15: Metro Ridership Forecasting Methodology

MR-16: Response to Lawndale & Redondo Beach

MR-17: Response to Torrance

MR-18: Homelessness

MR-19: Project Benefits

MR-20: Proximity Impacts of Relocated Freight Tracks

MR-21: Cost Estimates and Schedule

# How do I access the Final EIR?

**The Final EIR will be available on the Project Website and at Public Libraries**

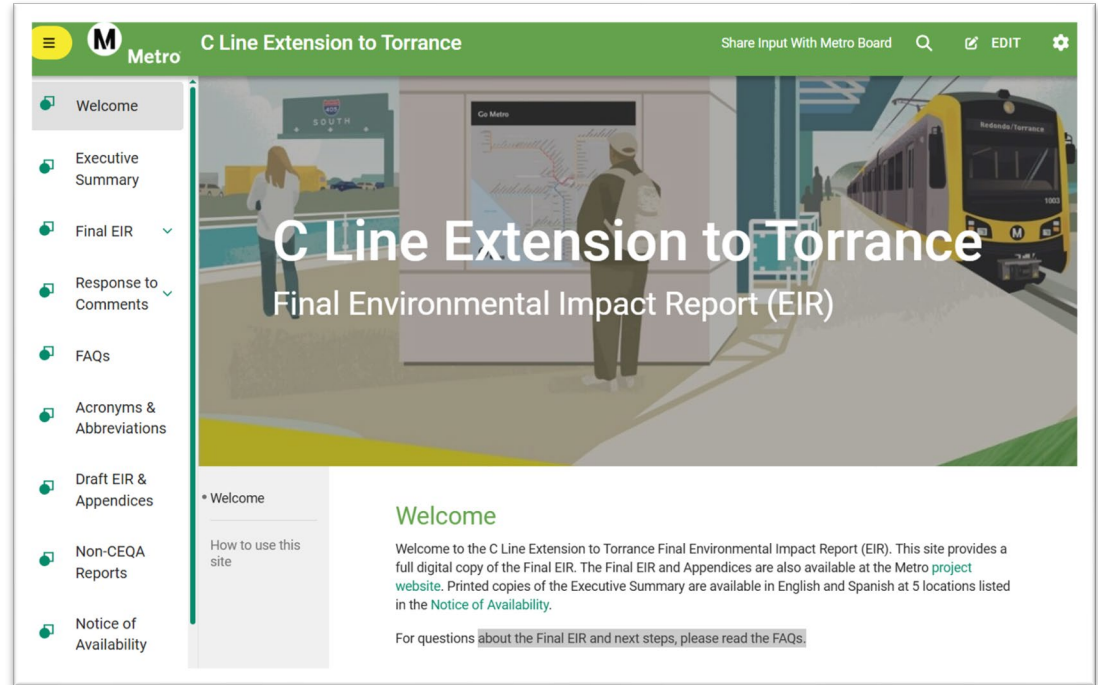
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- Lawndale Library (14615 Burin Ave, Lawndale, CA 90260)
- Redondo Beach North Library (2000 Artesia Blvd, Redondo Beach, CA 90278)
- North Torrance Library (3604 Artesia Bl, Torrance, CA 90504)
- Katy Geissert Civic Center Library (3301 Torrance Blvd, Torrance, CA 90503)
- Metro Headquarters Library (One Gateway Plaza, Los Angeles, CA 90012) by appointment only.



# Final EIR & Related Documents on Web Platform

**Metro is also providing the Final EIR on a web platform called PlanEngage to help the public navigate the document, along with links to the Draft EIR and other technical reports, including ridership, real estate, and construction cost estimates.**



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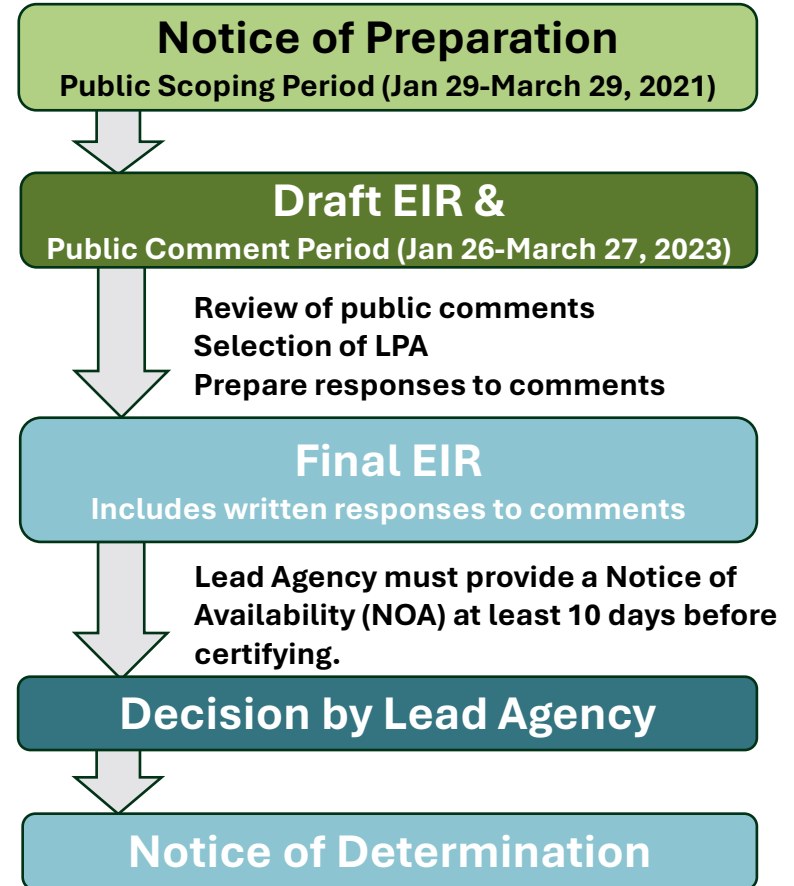


# What is the next step for the Final EIR?

**The Final EIR is the official response to public comments on the EIR from the Lead Agency.**

As the decision-making body of the Lead Agency under CEQA, the Metro Board is responsible for certifying the Final EIR and considering project approval.

The Metro Board would consider a decision on the Project at a public meeting.



# When will the Board meet to consider the project?

It is anticipated that the Metro Board will consider certification of the Final EIR and project approval at a Metro Board Meeting in fall 2025, after the September Metro Board meeting.



Metro will provide public notice of the Metro Board meeting at which the Metro Board will consider whether to certify the Final EIR and approve the project.



# Can I provide input on Final EIR?

Yes. While CEQA does not provide a public comment period on the Final EIR, members of the public may share input with the Metro Board before it considers whether to certify the Final EIR and approve the project.

Input received after the Final EIR is released will be compiled and shared with the Metro Board as part of the public record.

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**Public Comment:** Attend the Metro Board meeting at which the Final EIR and project approval will be considered.



## Project Contact Information



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