



Expo Line Community Meeting  
Phase 2 Design Update  
November 2011

## Phase 2 Design Update Meeting

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- Next Steps
- Open House Session



## Meeting Purpose and Format

**The purpose of tonight's meeting is to:**

- Provide an update on the project
- Share information on design progress
- Receive input and feedback from the community

**The format will include a short presentation followed by an interactive Open House session to facilitate dialogue and community input.**

**Please be sure to visit all the stations and:**

- Collect information
- Ask questions
- Share your ideas



## Expo Line from Downtown Los Angeles to Santa Monica:

- 15.2 mile corridor
- 19 Stations, 2 Shared with Blue Line
- 64,000 Daily Riders by 2030
- Estimated Travel Time: 46 minutes
- Estimated Cost: \$2.4 billion
- Constructed in Two Phases:
  - Phase 1 - Downtown to Culver City
  - Phase 2 - Culver City to Santa Monica



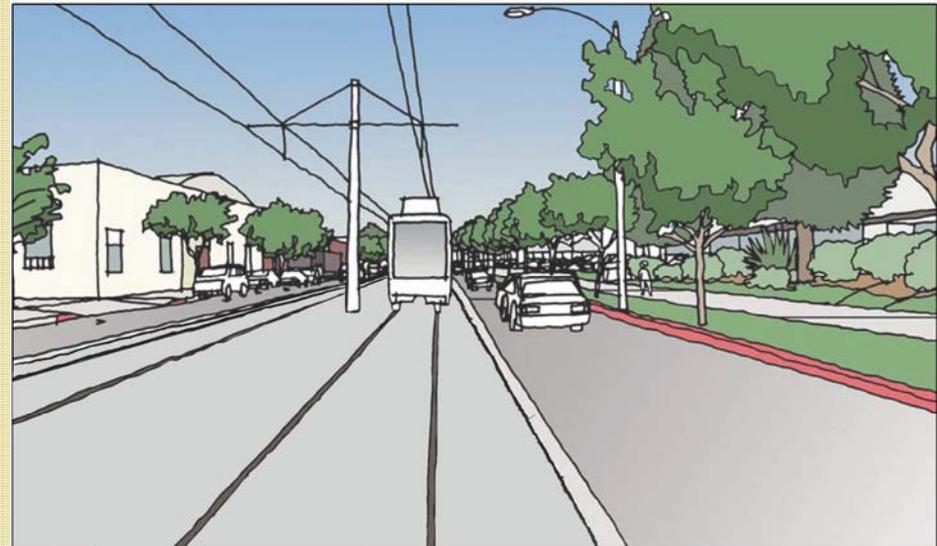
# Expo Light Rail Line

# Project Alignment Map



## Phase 2 Update

- February 2010: Expo Board certified FEIR
- May – November 2010: Preliminary Engineering
- March 2011: Design-Build contract awarded to Skanska/Rados, Joint Venture
- Final design is underway
- Pre-construction activities and utility work will be ongoing through the fall
- Major construction is anticipated to start in early 2012



# Expo Light Rail Line

# Pre-Construction Activities



Inspection of Existing National/Palms Bridge

# Phase 2 Groundbreaking Ceremony

Potholing Activities in Santa Monica



Storm Drain Inspection under Colorado Avenue



## Upcoming Pre-Construction Work

**What:** Sewer encasement work to reinforce the existing underground sewer pipes

**Where:** Along the Expo Right-of-Way, between Bagley Avenue and Military Avenue, in the City of Los Angeles

**When:** Starting in mid-December 2011

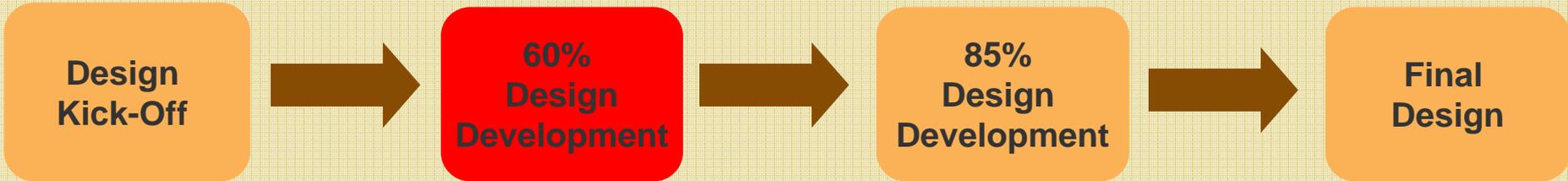
**Duration:** Approximately 2 or 3 months

**Work Hours:** 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday

**Advisories:**

- Work activities will be contained within the Right-of-Way and traffic will not be impacted
- Notices will be issued prior to the start of these work activities

**Overview of Final Design Process and Timeline**



**Regular updates to community and stakeholder groups on design progress and neighborhood specific issues**

## Input Received at Design Kick-Off Meetings

- Station elements and amenities
  - Provide ample, secure bike facilities
  - Address neighborhood specific issues
- Landscaping
  - Use native, drought tolerant plants
  - Use low-maintenance landscaping and smart irrigation
- Noise Mitigation
  - Concerns about noise mitigation during construction and operations
- Construction Impacts
  - Advance notification of construction activities and traffic impacts
  - Sensitivity to residential neighborhoods and school facilities

## Design Input

- Community Input
  - Held stakeholder briefings to discuss area/neighborhood specific issues
  - Provided project updates to homeowner and business groups along the alignment
  - Held business outreach meetings with property owners and tenants to discuss specific design issues
  
- Urban Design Committee Input
  - 14 member committee appointed by the Expo Board
  - Members represent communities and stakeholders along the alignment
  - UDC has been meeting regularly since June 2011 to provide input into station elements and station area improvements for Phase 2
  
- Third Party Input
  - Working closely with cities of Los Angeles and Santa Monica staff and other public agencies to incorporate comments during the design process

## Design Modifications in Response to Feedback

- National/Palms Station
  - Removed structural column to create more space for pedestrian plaza
  - Added architectural curve treatment to aerial structure and columns to resemble typical aerial structure
  - Relocated Ticket Vending Machines to a more accessible location for patrons
  
- Expo/Westwood Station
  - Moved bike path to the north side of the Right-of-Way between Overland Ave and Westwood Blvd
  - Shortened the Kiss-N-Ride by 72 feet in response to community input
  - Coordinating with City of LA on future use of City of LA Right-of-Way
  
- Expo/Sepulveda Station
  - Exploring additional pedestrian lighting along Sepulveda Blvd
  - Exploring improvements to pedestrian access from Sawtelle Blvd
  
- Expo/Bundy Station
  - Exploring additional pedestrian lighting and signage at the station

## Design Modifications in Response to Feedback

- Olympic/26<sup>th</sup> St Station
  - Working with City of Santa Monica on potential City funded betterments
    - Adding second entrance from the eastern end of the platform
    - Changing from center platform to side platforms
  
- Colorado/17<sup>th</sup> St Station
  - Working with City of Santa Monica on potential City funded betterments
    - Adding second entrance from the western end of the platform
  
- Colorado/4<sup>th</sup> St Station
  - Working with City of Santa Monica on final configuration of the terminus

## Next Steps in the Design Process

- Continue design development process
- Incorporate community ideas where feasible
- Continue to work with Urban Design Committee to receive input on certain design elements
- Provide regular updates to stakeholder groups throughout the process
- Work with neighborhood councils, homeowners associations and business groups to finalize the design

**Format for Open House Session**

The room is divided into informational tables where you can:

- View progress renderings of the Phase 2 stations
- Meet with project staff that can address your questions/concerns on issues such as station design, noise impacts, traffic and circulation, and safety
- Provide your feedback

<b>Table #1</b>	<b>Table #2</b>	<b>Table #3</b>
National/Palms Station, Expo/Westwood Station, and surrounding areas	Expo/Sepulveda Station, Expo/Bundy Station, and surrounding areas	Olympic/26 <sup>th</sup> St Station, Colorado/17 <sup>th</sup> St Station, Colorado/4 <sup>th</sup> St Station, and surrounding areas



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