

EnviroMetro

LOS ANGELES' COALITION FOR GREEN
EQUITABLE & HEALTHY TRANSPORTATION

Active Transit: "Greenway Network"

Efficient Mobility that is Safe, Equitable and Improves Urban Quality of Life

The LA County Metro "Greenway Network" is a plan for a comprehensive regional active transportation "super highway" network composed of over 500 miles of protected pedestrian and bicycle paths.

Utilizing public right-of-ways along waterway corridors, abandoned rail lines, and utility corridors, the network will build upon popular existing active transportation paths such as the Los Angeles, San Gabriel, and Rio Hondo River Trails. It will create a comfortable, cohesive, off-street network of paths appropriate for county residents of all ages and abilities, connecting existing and proposed Metro lines to facilitate the use of active and public transportation.



How will it be funded?

The County Department of Public Works estimates that the average cost of this network is \$1M and \$3M per mile. Given the many co-benefits of this project, dedicated funding should be included in the planned 2016 transportation ballot measure and prioritized for completion within ten years.

key goals & benefits



Productivity – Enhance mobility and system efficiency.

Safety – Reduce serious and fatal collisions.

Health – Promote physical activity.

Environment – Facilitate the use of truly zero-emission transportation modes.

First & Last Mile Connections – Enhance connectivity and transit use.

Equity – Improve access to safe routes to school, work, and open space.

Economy – Stimulate economic development.

Air – Reduce user exposure to localized air pollution.

Jobs – Maximize job creation: active transportation projects create 46% more construction jobs than auto infrastructure projects.

For additional information about the LA County Metro Greenway Network Plan, visit www.EnviroMetro.org/LACgreenways



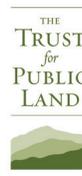
COALITION MEMBERS

EnviroMetro Coalition of Los Angeles Region focuses its efforts: to urge Metro to prepare a transportation sales tax measure and long range transportation plan update that will reduce criteria pollution, GhG emissions, enhance equity and improve public health. And to develop a sustainable transportation system incorporating "Multi Objective" green infrastructure where water resources, parks & open spaces, biodiversity are protected. Notably we request the systematic conversion of publically held LA, San Gabriel River and tributary waterway network into an Active Transit "Super Highway" to reduce congestion and improve public health. We request comprehensive "Transit to Trails" network to improve equitable access to publically managed lands and bolster our economy.



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Transit to Trails: Access to Parks and Open Space

Los Angeles County Mobility Network

The San Gabriel Mountains, Rim of the Valley, Santa Monica Mountains as well as the Pacific Ocean characterize our region locally, nationally and internationally. We need a comprehensive public transit network to connect residents and visitors to our natural areas and publicly managed lands - for public equity and for a flourishing economy.

Parks and open spaces are critical components to maintaining a high quality of life for urban residents, especially those living in built-out environments such as the Los Angeles Basin. The beaches, mountains and rivers are this region's natural and cultural heritage. They provide economic benefit in the form of attraction and retention of individual businesses and entire industries. Access to these natural areas improves health and quality of life, and should not be exclusive to people with cars; comprehensive and affordable public transit options should be available, too.



key goals & outcomes

- Increase safe and equitable access to parks and recreation facilities and open space.
- Expand sustainable transit networks to connect to trails, parks and recreation areas.
- Bolster outdoor recreation opportunities for underserved communities, including low-income communities and communities of color.
- Protect natural lands and biodiversity through well designed access.
- Improve public health.
- Build convergent, efficient multi objective infrastructure.
- Support the outdoor recreation and tourism economy.
- Align with sister agencies biodiversity & natural resources protection and policies.



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