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MEASURE M

Information Guide



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Los Angeles County
Metropolitan Transportation Authority



GOALS OF MEASURE M

Ease traffic congestion, improve freeway traffic flow, and reduce bottlenecks.

Expand rail and rapid transit system; accelerate rail construction and build new rail lines; enhance local, regional, and express bus service; and improve system connectivity.

Repave local streets, repair potholes, and synchronize signals; improve neighborhood streets and intersections; and enhance bike and pedestrian connections.

Make public transportation more accessible, convenient, and affordable for seniors, students, and the disabled; and provide better mobility options for our aging population.

Earthquake-retrofit bridges, and keep the transit and highway system safe and in good working condition.

Embrace technology and innovation; incorporate modern technology, new advancements, and emerging innovations into the local transportation system.

Create jobs, reduce pollution, and generate local economic benefits; increase personal quality time and overall quality of life.

Provide accountability and transparency; protect and monitor the public's investments through independent audits and oversight.



A ROADMAP FOR LA COUNTY

The Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) is Metro's roadmap to improve mobility, stimulate our local economy, and create jobs.

Over the past several years, Metro has delivered numerous projects, including the Gold Line extensions to East LA and Azusa; the Silver Line opening from El Monte to Harbor Gateway Transit Center; the Expo Line to Santa Monica; the Orange Line Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) extension to Chatsworth; and ExpressLanes on both the 10 and 110 freeways. But the plan includes much more that needs to be done to improve transportation across LA County.

Metro proposes **Measure M** to help fund the transportation needs of today and the future.

FACTS ABOUT MEASURE M

The Metro Board of Directors has approved placing a ballot measure, titled the Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan, on the November 8, 2016, ballot. Voters will be asked:

"To improve freeway traffic flow/safety; repair potholes/sidewalks; repave local streets; earthquake-retrofit bridges; synchronize signals; keep senior/disabled/student fares affordable; expand rail/subway/bus systems; improve job/school/airport connections; and create jobs; shall voters authorize a Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan through a 1/2 ¢ sales tax and continue the existing 1/2 ¢ traffic relief tax until voters decide to end it, with independent audits/oversight and funds controlled locally?"

Why is Metro proposing Measure M? Angelenos spend an average of 81 hours a year stuck in traffic. Currently, there are 10.2 million people living in LA County, and we are projected to grow by 2.3 million people in the next 40 years. Traffic congestion and air pollution are expected to get worse with more growth, and the measure is intended to raise money to meet those needs.

Accountability Provisions of the Measure Measure M includes provisions establishing an independent oversight process, including a Taxpayer Oversight Committee and annual audits.

IMPACTS OF MEASURE M

Measure M is expected to generate an estimated **\$860 million** a year in 2017 dollars.

Based on the latest economic forecast by the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation, the Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan would add **465,690 new jobs** across the region.

The proposed projects will be built over a 40-year period.



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