



## **DRAFT Foothill Gold Line – 2019 Summer Update**

*The Foothill Gold Line Project, from Glendora to Montclair reached a major milestone by securing funding for the first phase of construction (Glendora to Pomona) and awarding the main design build contract.*

At their August 14<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Construction Authority board unanimously approved awarding the Alignment Design-Build Contract to Kiewit-Parsons, a Joint Venture. The contract award includes an \$805.6 million base scope for the first nine miles of the project from Glendora to Pomona, with a two-year contract option to complete the full 12.3-mile project to Montclair for a total contract amount of \$1,186.9 million if additional funds are secured by September 2021. The base scope includes all elements of design and construction for the first nine-mile segment, including relocation of the existing freight track, installation of the light rail track system, four new light rail stations (in Glendora, San Dimas, La Verne and Pomona), improvements at 40 grade crossings (nearly half with new or renovated bridges) and much more. The contract option would extend the work of the design-build team to complete the full 12.3-mile project to Montclair and add stations in Claremont and Montclair if the additional \$450 million needed is secured by September 2021.

The Foothill Gold Line was the first Measure M-funded light rail project to break ground and is named as one of Metro's 28 priority projects to be completed before the 2028 Olympic Games in Los Angeles. In the last 10 months following the Construction Authority receiving bids from all four teams initially competing for the project that were hundreds of millions of dollars above the funding secured, Metro has worked collaboratively with the Construction Authority and the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments to close the \$126 million dollar funding gap with Measure M's Subregional Equity Fund, ensuring the Project moves forward to Pomona.

The project will begin major construction in 2020 and take approximately five years to complete to Pomona and eight years to complete to Montclair, if the contract option is activated. It is estimated that during construction alone, the Foothill Gold Line project will create as many as 16,000 jobs and up to \$2.6 billion of economic output for the region, as well as up to \$1 billion in labor income and potentially \$40 million in tax revenue (according to an economic study by Beacon Economics).

Since the Project's Groundbreaking in 2017, the Construction Authority has been busy preparing the project for this moment, including relocating utilities, conducting pre-construction activities, finalizing design, and undergrounding the freight communication system to make room within the shared corridor for the Gold Line light rail system.

**Stay Updated** - The Construction Authority plans to host community open-houses in Glendora, San Dimas, La Verne and Pomona this fall. Sign up to receive the latest regarding the Foothill Gold Line community events and construction activities at [www.foothillgoldline.org](http://www.foothillgoldline.org).

# Foothill Gold Line from Glendora to Montclair



Note: The extension to Montclair can be completed within the awarded design-build contract if additional funding is secured by September 2021.