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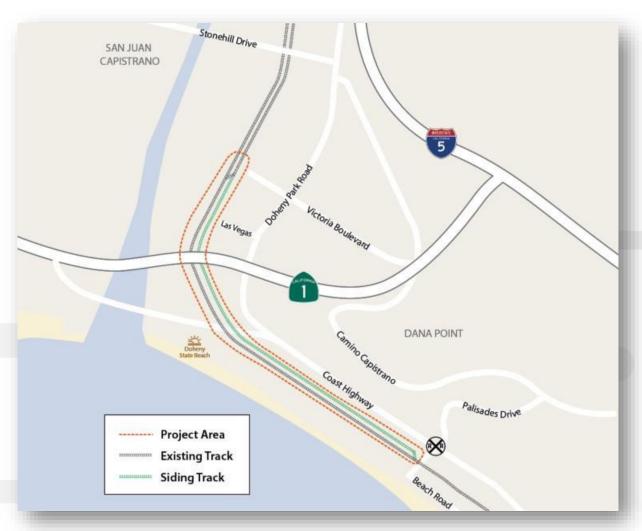
Southern California SCORE Southern California Optimized Rail Expansion **Expansion Program** 



Lead agency for environmental, design and construction



Lead agency for right of way and public outreach





## **Project Overview**



- Estimated project cost \$50 million Based on preliminary design
- Extends 1.2 miles of siding track
- Replaces wooden ties with concrete ties
- Replaces a 93-year-old railroad bridge over Coast Highway with two single-track bridges
- Adds fencing along Coast Highway
- Construct retaining walls



Existing Coast Highway Bridge looking east from southbound Coast Highway/PCH connector ramp



## **Project Benefits**





**Enhances Safety** – Replaces Coast Highway bridge and rehabilitates track



**Reduces Emissions** – Provides alternative transportation and reduces idling trains



Plans for the Future – Helps address travel demands for future growth in population and employment



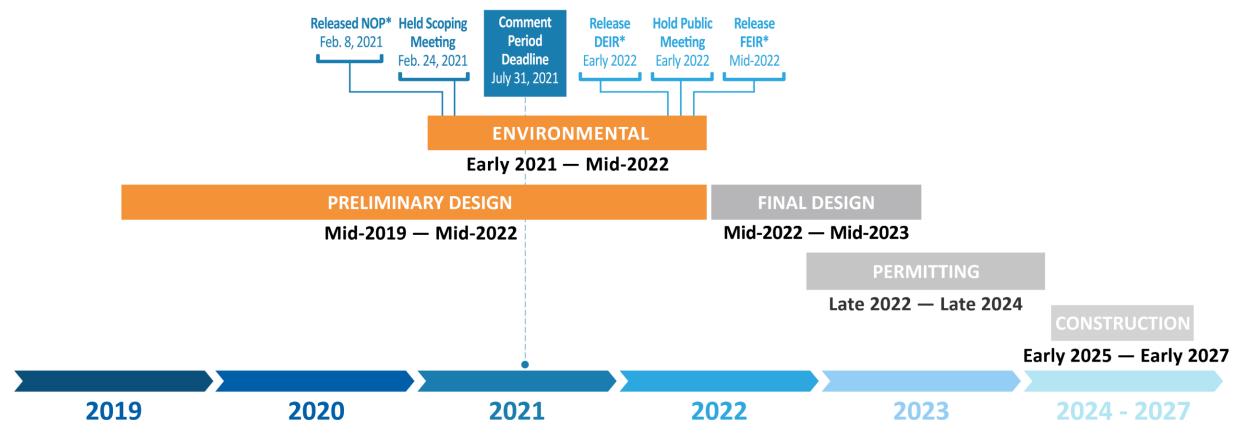
Creates Jobs – Creates 24,400 jobs and \$4.9 billion in GDP by 2028 and 396,300 jobs and \$173 billion in GDP by 2050 in Orange County

(Source: SCORE Economic Impact Analysis)



## Project Schedule





<sup>\*</sup> NOP = Notice of Preparation
DEIR = Draft Environmental Impact Report
FEIR = Final Environmental Impact Report
(Timeline not to scale)



## Community Questions





#### **Needs Assessment**

Project needs referenced in state and regional reports



#### **Erosion**

Will be studied in environmental phase with findings available in DEIR



#### **Train Station**

Will be evaluated in OCTA's South County Rail Access Evaluation Study



### **Alternate Project Options**

Will be studied in environmental phase with findings available in DEIR



## **NOP Comment Period**



#### NOP COMMENT DEADLINE: Saturday, July 31, 2021

NOP available at metrolinktrains.com/score

#### **How to Submit Comments**

1. Email: SerraSiding@octa.net

2. Mail: Chris Haskell, SCORE Deputy Program Manager

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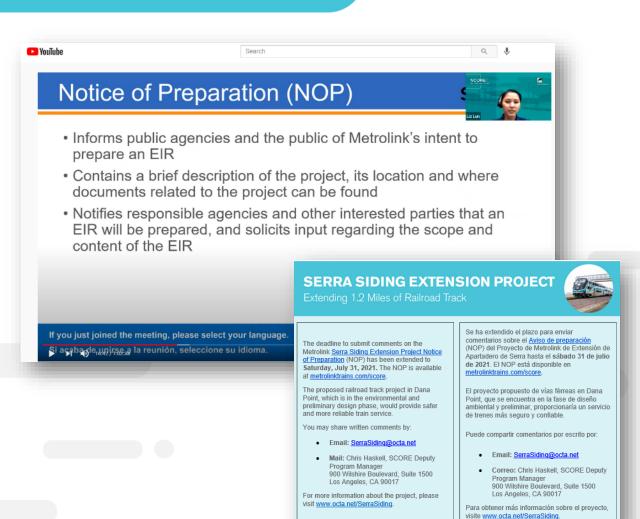
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## Community Engagement



- Inform the community about the project, process, findings
- Encourage public comments once the DEIR and FEIR are available
- Continue stakeholder briefings
- Hold a public meeting





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