

## MARCH 2024 | FACT SHEET

# Project Overview

The Foothill Gold Line from Glendora to Montclair is a 12.3-mile extension of the Metro A Line light rail system (renamed the A Line as of June 2023). The project will add new A Line stations in the cities of Glendora, San Dimas, La Verne, Pomona, Claremont and Montclair - and will be built in phases. Once completed to Montclair, the Foothill Gold Line will connect the San Gabriel Valley and Inland Empire to Los Angeles and Long Beach.

**Glendora to Pomona Phase:** The 9.1-mile, four-station Glendora to Pomona project segment began major construction in July 2020 and is now more than 82% complete. The project remains on budget and on time for an early-January 2025 construction completion; at which time the project is turned over to Metro for training and pre-revenue operations. Metro determines when passenger service begins.

**Future Construction Phase:** The 3.2-mile, two-station Pomona to Montclair project segment is shovel-ready and is expected to receive the full funding needed through a state-funded grant program (SB125) in the next few years. In March 2024, the Construction Authority started the 15-month procurement process to hire the design-build contractor. Once funding is secured and a contractor hired, the project will take approximately five years to build to Claremont and Montclair.





### **Construction Funding:**

The current construction project from Glendora to Pomona is fully funded. Los Angeles County's sales tax measure (Measure M) is funding the majority of the project, along with residual Measure R dollars not used during the last phase of the project. The State of California is also providing a greenhouse gas reduction grant.

Funding is currently being sought to complete the final project segment from Pomona to Montclair. Los Angeles County has applied to fully fund the portion of the project in Los Angeles County with a state grant funded by SB125. San Bernardino County is responsible for funding the portion of the project in their county and has funding set aside from several local and state sources.

The project is overseen by the Foothill Gold Line Construction Authority (Construction Authority), an independent transportation planning, design and construction agency.

### **PROJECT FAST FACTS**

#### **Two Construction Phases:**

9.1 miles (Glendora to Pomona); 4 stations 3.2 miles (Pomona to Montclair); 2 stations

**Major Construction Began:** July 2020 to Pomona (construction has not yet started from Pomona to Montclair)

#### **Anticipated Completion Year:**

2025 to Pomona TBD to Claremont & Montclair (contingent on the funding year)

**Daily Train Traffic:** More than 200 Metro A Line trains.

**Capacity:** 200 passengers per light rail car; two- to three-car trains.

Speed: 55 mph (maximum)

Train Power Source: Electricity

**Parking:** 302-space parking facility including EV charging stations, bicycle parking and buses and passenger drop off areas

At-Grade (street level) Crossings: 21 to Pomona (5 more to Montclair)

New and Renovated Bridges: 19 to Pomona (5 more to Montclair)

**Travel Time:** Once the line is in service, a trip from Glendora to Pasadena will take approximately 22 minutes and further to downtown Los Angeles will take approximately 51 minutes.

## GLENDORA STATION



The Glendora Station and associated 302-space parking facility (with charging stations for EVs, bicycle parking, and bus and drop-off areas) is located just south of the city's historic downtown, east of Vermont Avenue and west of Glendora Avenue. The center platform station has light rail tracks on either side (one for westbound and one for eastbound trains). Once completed, three tracks will run through the City of Glendora within one shared corridor – with two light rail tracks on the north side for the A Line, and one track for freight on the south. While they will share the rail corridor, light rail trains and freight trains do not share tracks.

# Construction – What to Expect

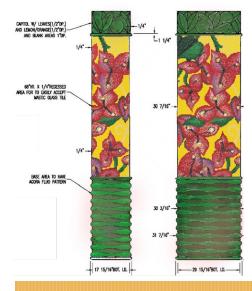
Since construction began in July 2020, the contractor has completed work to relocate 9.1 miles of freight track, reconstruct 21 at-grade street crossings that required long-term street closures, built or renovated 19 bridges (including four new light rail bridges that cross major city streets), and completed installation of the light rail tracks. In Fall 2023 and continuing through all of 2024, crews will be focused on completing the power, train control and safety systems, the four new stations and associated parking facilities, as well as testing the new light rail systems. The project will be turned over to LA Metro in early-January 2025 for pre-revenue operations (Metro determines when passenger service begins). Current and upcoming construction notices are available anytime at foothillgoldline.org.

During the remaining construction, the community can expect temporary impacts (such as short-term lane closures, noise mostly from construction vehicles, and other construction-related issues). Permanent changes are occurring due to the project, including: safety enhancements at all street crossings (raised medians, red curbing and turn restrictions within 100 feet of the rail corridor at all street crossings), relocation of the freight track to the southern half of the rail corridor, new fencing and walls along the entire rail corridor, and new overhead wires to power the more than 200 light rail trains anticipated to run daily. New light rail bridges are now complete over the Foothill Boulevard/Grand Avenue intersection, at Lone Hill Avenue and at Route 66 for light rail trains only (the existing Route 66 freight bridge will remain and be repainted as part of the project). A traffic signal will be installed at the intersection of Elwood Avenue and Foothill Boulevard. West Ada Avenue (west of Vermont Avenue) and Glenwood Avenue have been permanently closed and made into cul-de-sacs at the railroad corridor, as required by the California Public Utilities Commission to improve safety along the corridor.

# Glendora Station Art Plan

Glendora Station Artist: Michael Hillman The city-selected artist is Michael Hillman. Michael's plan for the station art is derived from the rich history of the town in which he lives and works: Glendora. "Glendora Home: A Slice of Sunshine" is the title of Michael's theme for the station and refers to a brand of citrus that was grown and packed in Glendora and the company's slogan: "A Slice of Sunshine." The title also reflects the artist's feelings about Glendora.

Michael draws from the history, culture and landscape of the city to develop the art for the Glendora Station that he hopes will encourage passengers, especially those from the area, to reminisce. Michael's design will interpret local themes in a contemporary way while engaging various senses. To do this, he has designed station landmarks, which are large, oval columns embellished using dazzling glass tesserae tiles in brilliant colors to evoke imagery (including citrus, the foothills, bougainvillea, the brodiaea filifiolia flower and water). These sculptural columns will be placed in the station area.



## FOR CONSTRUCTION QUESTIONS:

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