



# Measure M

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Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority – Sales Tax Measure

September 20, 2016



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- Measure M proposes to increase the local sales tax countywide by ½-cent beginning January 1, 2017.
  - > Dedicated for the purposes of funding regional transportation initiatives.
  - > No sunset
- The Measure would automatically extend the existing Measure R ½-cent sales tax upon its scheduled expiration in July 2039. No sunset would be included.

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# Background

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MEASURE R: VOTER APPROVED, NOVEMBER 2008



# Measure R in LA County

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- In 2008, Metro successfully passed Measure R. Measure R is a ½-cent sales tax in Los Angeles County that has funded regional transportation initiatives.
- Major transit projects completed or underway include:
  - > **Expo Line.** Extension to Santa Monica (\$925 million)
  - > **Gold Line.** Extensions to the Eastside and the Foothill region (\$765 million total cost)
  - > **Metro Regional Connector Project.** (\$160 million)
  - > **I-5 freeway.** Segments and interchange reconstruction (\$675 million total cost)

# Measure R in Long Beach

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- Since the adoption of Measure R in 2008, Long Beach annually generated sales tax has contributed approximately \$24 million to Metro (\$5.5 million in Local Return Revenue annually). Recent examples of completed Measure R-funded street improvements include:
  - > Park Avenue from Pacific Coast Highway to Atherton Street
  - > 8th Street from Freeman Avenue to Gladys Avenue
  - > Butler Avenue from White Avenue to Coolidge Street
  - > Gale Avenue from Spring Street to north of Taper Street
  - > Cameron Street from Wise Avenue to Delta Avenue
  - > Chestnut Avenue from 3rd Street to 12th Street
  - > Orange Avenue from Ocean Boulevard to 7th Street
  - > Termino Avenue from Stearns Street to Vernon Street
  - > 31st Street from Del Mar Avenue to Long Beach Boulevard
  - > 64th Street from Paramount Boulevard to Downey Avenue

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT PLAN





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- Ballot measure includes an expenditure plan
- Passage of Measure M would solidify a Performance Metric methodology that was used to determine project priority within the ballot measure.
- This methodology places a very high priority on congestion relief, and a low value for safety improvement projects.

PERFORMANCE METRICS	
Mobility: Ease Congestion	45.0%
Accessibility: Provide Access	17.5%
Safety: Improve Safety	12.5%
Economy: Grow Economic Benefits	12.5%
Sustainability and Quality of Life: Enhance Quality of Life	12.5%

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- Major projects in the Measure M expenditure plan include:
  - > The **Sepulveda Tunnel** (~\$7 billion)
  - > The **West Santa Ana Transit Corridor** (~\$2.5 billion)
  - > The **Westside Purple Line** extension (~\$1.9 billion)
  - > Two **Gold Line** extensions, one to the San Fernando Valley (~\$1 billion) and another to the eastside of Metro's service area (~\$4.5 billion)
  - > The **Crenshaw Line** extension North to Hollywood (~\$2.1 billion)

# Measure M in Long Beach

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- Long Beach will likely contribute \$24 million to Metro annually in sales tax.
- Major Long Beach projects in the ballot measure expenditure plan include:
  - > **Shoemaker Bridge.** A total of \$400 million to be dedicated to I-710 early action projects beginning in 2026
  - > **Wardlow Grade Separation.** Verbiage (outside of core expenditure plan) to prioritize Wardlow Grade Separation Project for new funding and/or grants and include the Wardlow Station in Metro's State of Good Repair program
  - > **Investments in Blue Line Safety.** Metro will dedicate over \$30 million in the next 40 years to Transit Operating and Maintenance projects
  - > **Potential Light Rail.** A commitment to evaluate a future Green Line to the Blue Line connection via the Transit Hub in downtown Long Beach

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- The City of Long Beach will receive approximately \$7 million annually directly back from Measure M via Local Return.
- Project types include:
  - > Streets and roads
  - > Active Transportation Projects
  - > Green streets
  - > Complete streets
  - > Public transit access to recreational facilities
  - > Transit Oriented Community investments

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Direct funding to City of Long Beach transportation, transit and goods movement agencies.

<b>Agency – Guaranteed Funding</b>	<b>Measure R</b>	<b>Measure M</b>	<b>Measure R + M</b>
<b>City of Long Beach</b> Local Return - Measure R: 15 percent / Measure M: 17 percent	\$5.5 million	\$6.7 million	\$12.2 million
<b>Long Beach Transit</b> Bus Operations - 20 percent	\$9.1 million	\$9.1 million	\$18.2 million

*\*Dollar amounts reflect an annual allocation.*

# Next Steps

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- On June 23, 2016, Metro's Board of Directors voted 11-2 to place Measure M on the ballot.
- Voters will consider Measure M on November 8, 2016.
- The City of Long Beach does not have a position on Measure M.