

Regional Rail in Los Angeles County

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Metro

What is Regional Rail in L.A. County?

- Metrolink Commuter Rail,
- Amtrak Intercity Rail,
- Goods Movement,
- LOSSAN/I-5 Corridor,
- California High Speed Rail Project.

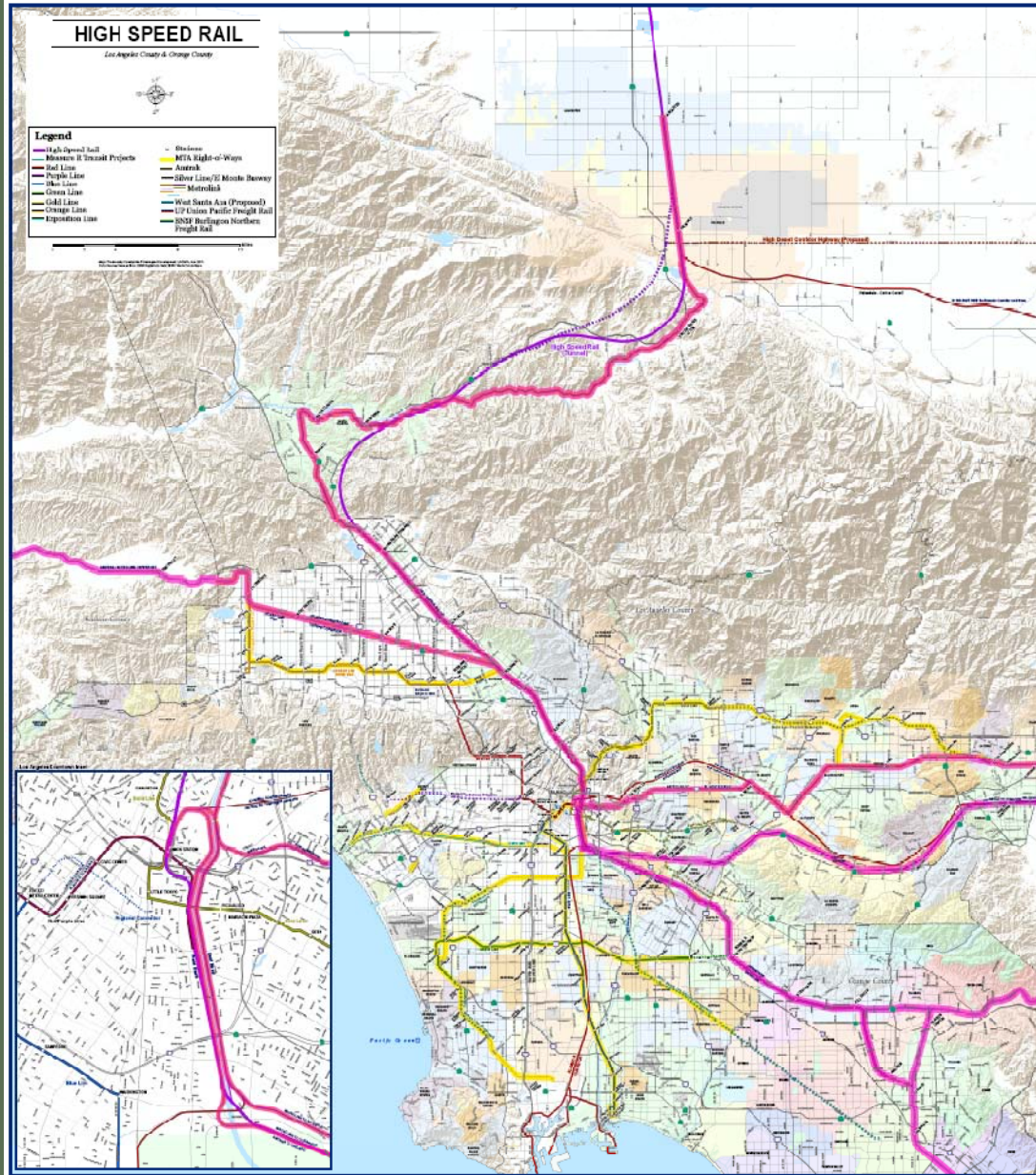
What Does Metro Do?

- Coordinate with Metrolink, Amtrak, and freight carriers on railroad activities in L.A. County,
- Member Agency of Metrolink,
- Member Agency of LOSSAN,
- Work with CHSRA on high speed rail in L.A. County,
- Manage the right-of-way owned by Metro.

California High-Speed Rail

- Working to develop HSR solutions at Los Angeles Union Station,
- Working with CHSRA and other stakeholders in L.A. County to develop engineering solutions,
- Working with the CHSRA rail operations group to develop LOSSAN/I-5 Corridor solutions.

Metrolink



Metrolink

- Provide \$51M to Metrolink in the Annual Work Plan,
- Working with Metrolink on capital programs in L.A. County,
 - Grade Crossings
 - Siding Projects
- Strategic studies,
- Los Angeles Union Station improvements.

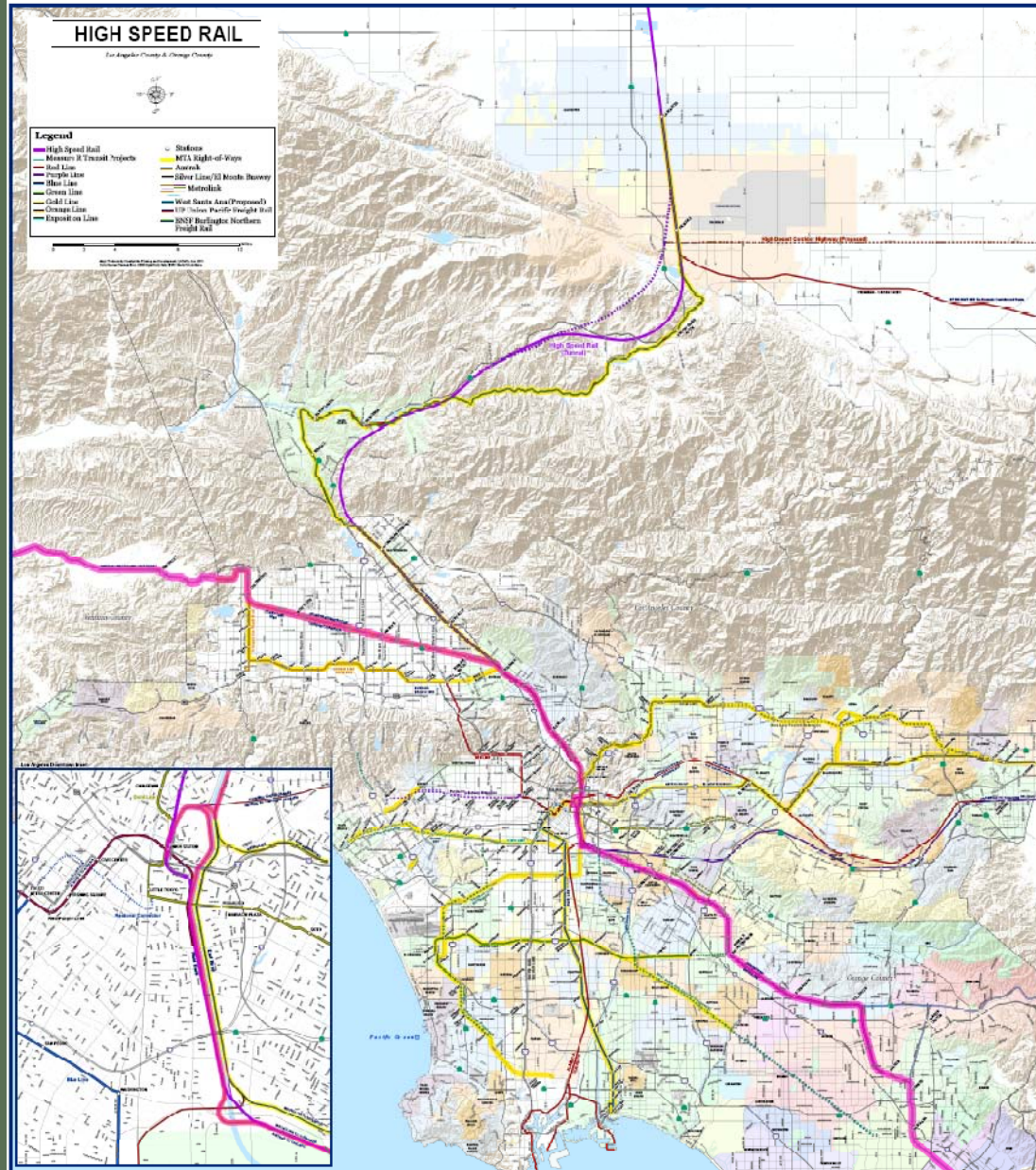
Antelope Valley Line

- Travel time between Lancaster and LAUS is two hours, 1.5 by the new express train.
- 5800 daily riders on Metrolink.
- Train speeds limited by track geometry and other issues.
- Segments of the AVL are on the CAHSR and the LOSSAN/I-5 Corridors.

Antelope Valley Line Study

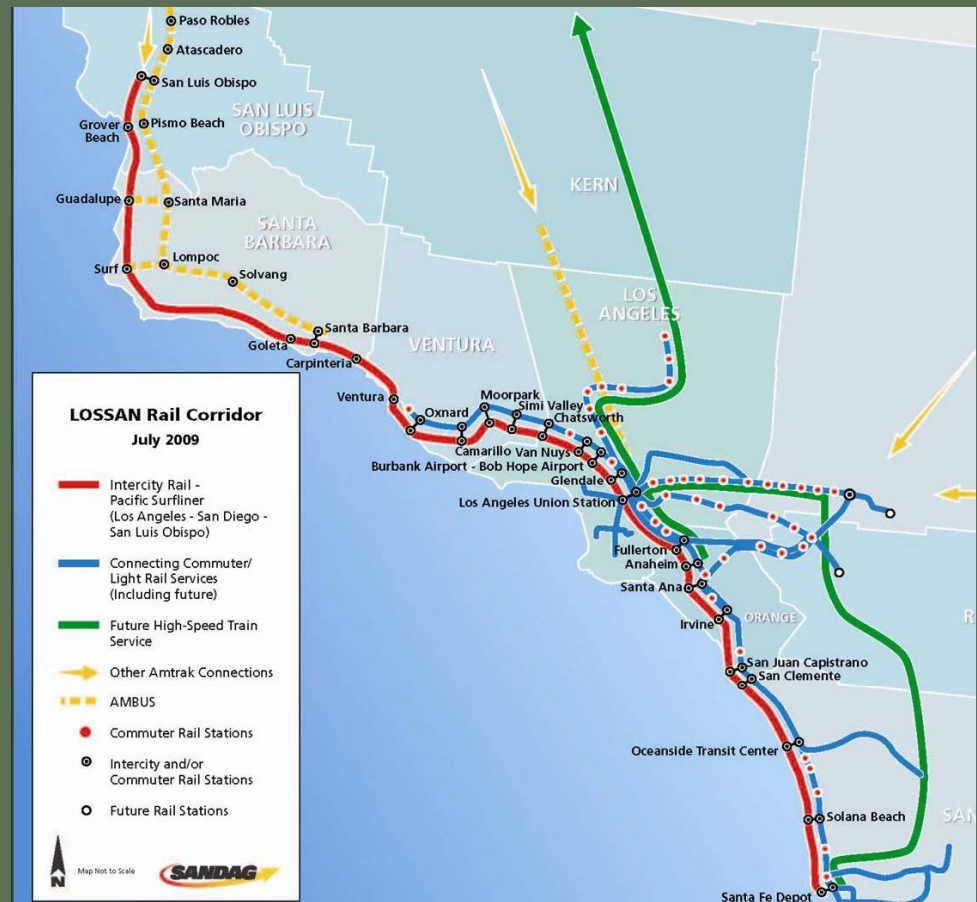
- Goals are to:
 - Reduce travel times between Palmdale and LAUS to one hour,
 - Enhance Safety,
 - Grade Crossings,
 - Siding Projects,
- Prioritization strategies,
- Funding strategies,
- Implementation Strategies.

LOSSAN/I-5 Corridor



LOSSAN/I-5 Corridor

- Second to the Northeast Corridor in congestion,
- Three operating passenger railroads:
 - Amtrak
 - Metrolink
 - COASTER
- Two freight carriers:
 - BNSF
 - UPRR



LOSSAN/I-5 Corridor

- Developing a business plan for consolidation of rail services,
- Comprehensive look at scheduling and connections,
- Involves all operators and member agencies.

The Future For This Corridor

- The CEOs are working on a plan to take over local control of Amtrak Surfliner service,
- A governance document has been developed,
- The management will be modeled after the successful Capital Corridor.

Los Angeles Union Station

- Metro purchased LAUS in April 2011.
- Metro will be conducting a Master Planning Effort for LAUS.
 - Define Los Angeles within the regional transit network.
 - Incorporate regional rail into the overall planning efforts.



Regional Rail Team Projects

- Regional Rail team working with Metrolink on:
 - Raymer Siding EIR and PE ARRA Grant,
 - Van Nuys Platform ARRA Grant.
- Working with Metrolink on other funded capital projects:
 - Lang Siding
- Working with Metrolink, Glendale, and Los Angeles on Doran Street Crossing.

Strategic Planning in L.A. County

- Recent strategic discussions showed a need for several projects in L.A. County,
- Stations;
 - Stations in the County need upgrading and other work.
 - Need a comprehensive evaluation,
- Developing a look at capacity improvements within the right-of-way
- Examining Countywide opportunities for capital projects.

Next Steps

- Developing plans for strategic studies of the other rail lines in L.A. County.
- Working to bring HSR to Southern California
- Development of grade crossing/separation and corridor safety programs.
- Working with the planning group on the LAUS master planning efforts.
- Creation of a “railroad specific” bench.

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