



**METRO SAN GABRIEL VALLEY GOVERNANCE COUNCIL
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SUBJECT: STATUS REPORT ON FINAL SGV TRANSIT RESTUCTURING STUDY

ACTION: RECEIVE AND FILE

BACKGROUND

Metro San Gabriel Valley, in partnership with Foothill Transit and west San Gabriel Valley cities, is planning to undertake a transit restructuring study that will provide the framework to develop a long-term strategy on how to improve regional and community based transit services throughout the San Gabriel Valley and the eastern portion of the City of Los Angeles.

Sector staff has met with all cities in the central and west San Gabriel Valley, senior staff of Los Angeles County Supervisor Districts 1 and 5, and City of Los Angeles DOT staff. All of these meetings were positive, with all expressing an interest in participating in the study, both financially and in staff time. Attachment A indicates the proposed funding plan for the study.

A formal letter is being sent to all cities within the study area requesting their participation and funding. Foothill Transit is providing funding for all cities in the study area east of the 605 freeway. Some cities will require City Council approval before committing funds to this study.

The initial draft Scope of Work, which is in outline format, has been reviewed by all cities, with very few suggestions for minor modifications. This scope is being expanded into a full format and will incorporate suggested modifications. This document will then form the basis for a Request for Proposals. As part of the expedited procurement process, this RFP will be sent to MTA's established bench of transit planning consultants. This bench consists of 14 consulting firms, and will allow the contract to be awarded within about 45 days of its release.

It is anticipated that the Technical Advisory Committee will review the expanded scope by the middle of February. The TAC will prepare a draft RFP for review by MTA procurement and be released in early March. There is a 30-day advertising period, during which a bidders conference would be held. All bids would be due by late March. The contract would then be awarded in April.

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