Project Overview

The City of Los Angeles and Metro are upgrading mobility on Venice Blvd from Lincoln Blvd to National Blvd. This project aims to improve comfort and safety for all who travel on Venice Blvd, by improving the existing bike lane, dedicating a lane for faster and more reliable bus service, and adding safety features throughout the corridor.

Project Update

Between June- September 2022, LADOT and Metro engaged community members to learn more about their experiences on the corridor and priorities for improving mobility on Venice. During this process, we heard that improvements to safety and comfort are a high priority for all, and that ensuring Venice remains accessible and efficient is important to connectivity.

In Winter 2022-23, LADOT and Metro will implement project features on Venice Blvd between Inglewood to National including protected and buffered bike lanes, a dedicated bus-only lane, improved crosswalks and a new left-turn signal at the intersection of Venice Blvd & Hughes Ave (coming in Summer 2023).

To create a balanced and well-functioning Venice Blvd, the final design incorporates adjustments to the proposed project concept for the current Phase 1:

- LADOT will expedite and install a new protected left turn signal at Venice and Hughes to improve pedestrian visibility and safety.
- To minimize congestion, LADOT will install additional left turn pockets at the busiest intersections.
- LADOT will maintain three general travel lanes where traffic is heaviest between Sawtelle and Sepulveda. This will allow vehicles to merge freely as they approach or depart the I-405 freeway on/off ramps.
- In segments between Inglewood and Sawtelle where residential parking demand is high, the protected bike lane will transition to buffered bike lanes to retain all curbside parking.
- LADOT will continue engaging community members to refine the project proposal for the western segment, or phase 2, of the project area, Venice Blvd west of Beethoven to Lincoln, with potential to further extend the project to the beach.
A CLOSER LOOK

What's Next:

LADOT and Metro will continue collaborating with local stakeholders to develop future enhancements including bus boarding islands, transit amenities, and other high-quality transportation corridor features, in alignment with community visioning plans. This work will be funded by state funds dedicated to Venice Blvd, potential grant monies, and Metro Measure M.