Reseda Boulevard Complete Streets Project
Construction Kick-Off Presentation | Fall 2020
Project Partners

City of LA Department of Public Works

- Bureau of Engineering
- Bureau of Street Services (StreetsLA)
- Bureau of Street Lighting (LA Lights)
- Bureau of Sanitation

City of LA Department of Transportation

Council District 3 - Bob Blumenfield
Presentation Outline

1. Project History and Background
2. Design Overview
3. Construction
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Project Area

Parthenia St to Victory Bl - 2.9 miles
Safety Issues

High Injury Network Street

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- Keswick St: a 54-year old woman dies while walking at 5:09 p.m. on Dec. 31, 2012.
- Arminta St: a 75-year old man dies while walking at 8:10 p.m. on Nov. 7, 2013.
- Roscoe Blvd: a 47-year old man dies while walking at 9:35 p.m. on July 29, 2012.
- Victory Blvd: a 78-year old woman dies while driving at 10:55 a.m. on Sept. 18, 2013.
- Bassett St: a 53-year old man dies while walking on June 13, 2011.
- Gault St: a 22-year old man dies while driving at 10:10 p.m. on Feb. 11, 2017.
- Saticoy St: a 20-year old man dies while driving at 5:15 p.m. on July 21, 2015.
- Cohasset St: a 47-year old man dies while driving at 7:40 p.m. on July 7, 2018.
- Ingomar St: a 47-year old man dies while driving at 7:40 p.m. on July 7, 2018.
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The speed limit on Reseda is 35 MPH but people often drive faster.
Pavement Conditions

Much of the pavement on Reseda Bl is severely damaged or uneven.
Project Area

Existing Street Configurations

1. Parthenia to Valerio (1.63 mi) and Valerio to Vanowen (0.74 mi)
2. Valerio to Vanowen (0.74 mi)
Project Area

Reseda Bl and the Valley’s Bicycle Network

Map showing Project Area, Bike Route, On-Street Bike Lane, Protected Bike Lane, Off-Street Bike Path, and Future LA River Bike Path.
Reseda Bl and the Valley’s Bicycle Network
Reseda Blvd and the Valley’s Transit Network

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Project Goals

- Save lives
- Ensure accessibility for everyone
- Introduce sustainable “green” features
- Enhance commercial districts
- Improve speed and efficiency of buses
Timeline

2017
Reseda Blvd Identified as High-Injury Network Priority Corridor

2018
Reseda Blvd Selected for the Complete Streets Program
Timeline

JUNE 2018 - NOVEMBER 2018

Public Engagement

On-Street Engagement (Walk Audit + Surveys + Tabling)

Neighborhood Council Meetings

Open House
Timeline

2019
Design Development

2020
Design and Budget Approved by City Council

Fall 2020
Street Reconstruction Begins
Project Design Overview
Project Elements

Sidewalks, Driveways, and Curb Ramps

- 107 ADA-compliant curb ramps
- Most severely damaged sidewalks and driveways will be replaced
Project Elements

Street Resurfacing

- 2.9 miles of new asphalt roadway
- New lane markings and high-visibility crosswalks
Project Elements

Bus Boarding Islands

- Separated bus and bicycle traffic increases safety and bus speeds
- 11 islands at 9 intersections
Protected Bicycle Lane

- Separated from cars by vertical bollards and concrete islands
- Reduces bike-vehicle crashes by 94%
Accessible Passenger Loading Zones

- Dedicated loading zones and new curb ramps provide access across bike lane
- 11 identified paratransit “hot spots” in front of residential and community facilities
Project Elements

Left Turn Arrows

- Reduce conflicts between people driving and walking
- Located at 8 intersections
Project Elements

Street Trees, Lighting and Bioswales

- Pedestrian-scaled security lighting at bus stops
- New shade trees throughout
- 13 planted bioswales for stormwater filtration
Project Elements

Crosswalk with Flashing Beacons

- Located at Napa St
- Push button activates warning for drivers when someone is crossing
- Includes concrete pedestrian island to improve safety and shorten crossing distance
Future Street Configuration
Accessible Passenger Loading Zone
Bus Boarding Island
Protected Bicycle Lane
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NOTE: Construction schedule may change due to unforeseen field conditions and weather.
Construction Impacts

What to Expect

- Sidewalk Closures
- Temporary vehicle lane and bicycle lane closures
- Temporary impacts to driveway access
- Bus stop relocation
- Parking restrictions
Construction

Staying in Touch

- Construction notices
- Email newsletter
- Project hotline:
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For more information, and to join the mailing list, visit:
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