Project Need: Why Do We Need Link US?

- LA Union Station (LAUS) is approaching operational capacity
- Ridership to grow from 110,000 to 200,000 passenger trips by 2040
- Current “stub-end” tracks limit efficiency and station capacity
- Critical transportation needs due to increase in forecasted ridership
Project Location:
Where Is Link US?
New passenger concourse as envisioned in the LAUS Master Plan

Reconfiguration of the throat and elevation of the rail yard

Accommodation of California High-Speed Rail

New environmental process
Project Benefits: What Will Link US Provide?

- Increased Rail Service Capacity
- Reduced greenhouse gases (CO₂ - 40%)
- Reduced train idling times (20-30 min to 5 min)
Project Benefits: What Will Link US Provide?

**LOCAL CONNECTIVITY**
- BUS
- SUBWAY / LIGHT RAIL

**REGIONAL CONNECTIVITY**
- Ventura -> Anaheim
- San Bernardino <-> Los Angeles

**INTERSTATE CONNECTIVITY**
- Seattle
- Chicago
- Los Angeles
- New Orleans
Project Benefits:
What Will Link US Provide?

- Improve pedestrian access and platform functionality
- Enhance passenger experience with a new concourse and retail amenities
- Make LAUS a regional destination for visitors, tourists, and residents

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Project Overview: What Is Link US?
The joint NEPA Environmental Impact Study (EIS)/CEQA Environmental Impact Report (EIR) will evaluate topics including:

- Aesthetics
- Air Quality and Greenhouse Gases
- Biological Resources
- Cultural and Paleontological Resources
- Geology and Soils
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- Hydrology and Water Quality
- Land Use and Planning
- Noise
- Population and Housing
- Public Services
- Parks and Recreation
- Transportation and Traffic
- Utilities and Service Systems
- Cumulative Impacts
- Growth-Inducing Effects
- Community Character and Cohesion
- Acquisitions and Displacements
- System Safety and Security
- Socioeconomics
- Section 4(f)
- Section 106
- Executive Order (EO) 11988 (Floodplains)
- EO 13186 (Migratory Birds)
- EO 11593 (Cultural Environment)
- EO 13007 (Indian Sacred Sites)
- EO 13287 (Preserve America)
Project Timeline: What Is Next?

Stage I
Notice of Intent/Notice of Preparation Comment Period and Scoping Meeting
Summer 2016

Stage II
Alternatives Analysis
Summer 2016 to Winter 2016

Stage III
Draft EIS/EIR Comment Period
Summer 2017

Stage IV
Final EIS/EIR and Record of Decision
Winter 2017

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