



**SCORE** Southern  
California  
Optimized  
Rail  
Expansion

**SIMI VALLEY DOUBLE TRACK  
PROJECT  
QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER**

# Welcome!



Welcome to the 1st edition of the SCORE Simi Valley Double Track Project Newsletter! Our Quarterly Newsletter will provide updates on the Simi Valley Project, as well as the overall SCORE Program and individual SCORE projects in the region. We welcome your feedback!

## What is SCORE?

The Southern California Optimized Rail Expansion program (SCORE) is a \$10 billion capital improvement program representing Metrolink's ambitious plan to upgrade its system before the Los Angeles 2028 Summer Olympic and Paralympic Games. The plan includes grade crossing, station and signal improvements, and track additions, as well as work to accelerate progress towards Metrolink's zero-emissions future. Some SCORE projects could be completed by 2023, with the entire program complete by 2028. For more information visit: [metrolinktrains.com/score](https://metrolinktrains.com/score)

## What is the SCORE Simi Valley Double Track Project?

Metrolink is proposing the Simi Valley Double Track Project at the Simi Valley Station on Metrolink's Ventura County Line (VCL) which will enable more frequent service, with train service expected every 30 minutes in each direction; and improve service reliability and on-time performance, as trains will no longer have to wait for one another to pass. Additionally, the new platform access with an underpass crossing will create a convenient and safe walkway for pedestrians. Improved at-grade crossings will facilitate Quiet Zone ready corridors that will minimize train horn blowing.

Project improvements will take place in two Segments. The chart below describes what the Project entails:

Segment 1	Segment 2
Addition of up to 1.55 miles of track	The addition of .06 mile of track
Three at grade crossing improvements which could create a Quiet Zone Corridor	Up to two crossing improvements, which could create a Quiet Zone ready corridor
Simi Valley Station improvements - A new 680 feet long second platform and a pedestrian underpass crossing	
Project-wide	
1,400 feet of existing track will be shifted between East Los Angeles Avenue and the Simi Valley Station	Project improvements include a new pedestrian underpass crossing, and new track panels and warning devices at the following at-grade crossings: Segment 1- East Los Angeles Avenue, Tapo Street, and Hidden Ranch Drive Segment 2- Sequoia Avenue, Tapo Canyon Road

## You're Invited!

# Virtual Public Meeting Draft Environmental Impact Report

Thursday, March 25, 2021

5:30-7:00pm

Metrolink has studied the that the proposed Project may have on the environment and community and the results of these studies are contained in the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The Draft EIR, will be available for public comment and review beginning March 18 through May 3, 2021. For more information on how to participate in the public meeting for the Draft EIR, visit [metrolinktrains.com/simi-valley-project](https://metrolinktrains.com/simi-valley-project)

## Draft EIR Availability

Copies of the Draft EIR are available for review at the following locations:

- Metrolink Office, Front Desk, 900 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 1500, Los Angeles, CA 90017
- Simi Valley Public Library, 2969 Tapo Canyon Road, Simi Valley, CA 93063
- Simi Valley City Hall, Front Desk, City Clerk's Office, 2929 Tapo Canyon Road, Simi Valley, CA 93063
- County of Ventura (County Recorder), Government Center-Hall of Administration, Main Plaza, 800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA 93009

The Draft EIR may also be viewed online at: [metrolinktrains.com/simi-valley-project](https://metrolinktrains.com/simi-valley-project)

You may submit your written comments from March 18 through May 3, 2021 to:

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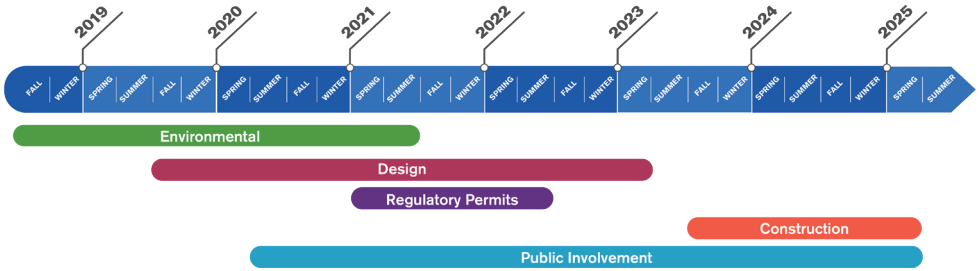
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To Access the  
Simi Valley Double Track Project Virtual Meeting Room  
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## Project Schedule

The environmental process is expected to complete in summer 2021 and design reviews expected to be complete in summer of 2023. Regulatory permitting is expected to begin in the spring of 2021. Construction for segment 1 improvements is scheduled to begin in the fall of 2023, with completion expected in the spring of 2025. Public involvement on this project continues now through the spring of 2025.



## Simi Valley Double Track Scoping Meeting

On November 18, 2020, a public Scoping Meeting was held for the proposed Simi Valley Double Track Project. As part of Metrolink’s environmental review process, this public Scoping Meeting was an initial effort to garner comments on the scope of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) being prepared for the project. Representatives from Metrolink explained the purpose of the meeting, provided an overview of the Metrolink system and Ventura County Line; presented an overview of the Simi Valley Double Track Project components, benefits, map and timeline; and provided an overview of the environmental process. The Scoping Meeting concluded with a Question and Answer to allow attendees to provide feedback, comments, and questions.

A video featuring the proposed work areas is also available for viewing. Click [here](#) to view the video of the Project area.

## Facts about the Ventura County Line Q3 ‘18-19      Q3 ‘17-18

**Ventura County Line (E. Ventura to Los Angeles)** *Includes 13 Hollywood Burbank Airport trains*

Stations	12	12
Route Miles	70.9	70.9
Trains Operated/Day	33	33
Avg. Weekday Riders on Metrolink	3,545	3,503
Avg. Weekday Metrolink Riders on Amtrak	94	91
Total Avg. Weekday Metrolink Riders	3,639	3,594
Saturday Metrolink Riders on Amtrak	7	4
Avg. Sunday Metrolink Riders on Amtrak	5	16
Passenger Miles Traveled	6,919,611	6,863,987
Average Speed	34 m.p.h.	34 m.p.h.

## SCORE's ECONOMIC POTENTIAL<sup>1</sup>



The Los Angeles Economic Development Corporation (LAEDC) was commissioned to produce a study (pdf) assessing the impact of the construction investment of the SCORE Program. The benefits from SCORE will make the region increasingly attractive for the millions projected to arrive in SoCal in 2028 and create regional prosperity in the decades to come. Los Angeles, Ventura, Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties will each see improvement projects in their respective regions and will benefit economically, as well.

1 – For complete information and to view a copy of the entire LAEDC economic report, visit [SCORE Means More for SoCal \(metrolinktrains.com\)](https://metrolinktrains.com)

## NEWS FROM METROLINK

### Metrolink Installs Antimicrobial Air Filters Aboard All Trains to Protect Health and Safety of Passengers and Employees



Metrolink is again stepping up efforts to keep safe and healthy its riders and employees, the essential workers keeping our communities functioning. Today, Metrolink announced the addition of new, state-of-the-art antimicrobial air filters on all its train cars to ensure the air passengers breathe throughout their journey is safe and clean. In March, Metrolink began implementing a new [multi-faceted health and safety program](#) to keep riders and Metrolink employees safe during the COVID-19 pandemic. These efforts include a face-mask requirement at station platforms and aboard trains, enhanced cleaning and sanitizing measures. To read the full story and learn more about Metrolink's Health and Safety program, click [here](#).



Have a question or a comment about the **Simi Valley Double Track Project** or a suggestion for the next Newsletter?

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