

Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils

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Alliance of the 34 San Fernando Valley Neighborhood Councils

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Honorable Lindsey Horvath, Los Angeles County Supervisor, 3rd District
Honorable Kathryn Barger, Los Angeles County Supervisor, 5th District
Honorable Janice Hahn, Los Angeles County Supervisor, 4th District
Honorable Imelda Padilla, Los Angeles City Councilmember 6th District

Reference: Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project

Greetings:

At the Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC-which consists of over one third of the city's 99 neighborhood Councils) meeting on February 13, 2025, the valley leaders had the opportunity to view the presentation created by STC4ALL Coalition with a discussion by Steven Sann and Coby King. After the presentation the participants had an opportunity to ask their questions and express their concerns all of which were addressed by the panel.

Approximately 2 million Angelenos reside in the valley. Many travel to the UCLA campus to enjoy sporting and cultural events, not to mention the daily influx of students, employees, & medical patients all of whom travel over the Sepulveda Pass. Because of this traffic, the 405 freeway is bursting at the seams. With all the past plans and projections all we get is a wider 405, well, it can't get any wider. It is obvious to us that the valley traffic going to UCLA and/or Westwood Village needs to be diverted off the 405.

The only way to get us out of our cars is to provide us with transportation to get us where we want to go. By the thousands, we want to go non-stop to UCLA and on to Westwood Village.

The Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils voted to SUPPORT an on-campus station at UCLA with a seamless direct connection to the purple D line to Westwood Village, as supported by the STC4ALL Coalition.

As you finalize the plans, please take the many voices of the valley leaders into consideration and keep the promise made years ago for a viable solution to the 405 traffic through the Sepulveda pass.

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Honorable Hilda Solis, Los Angeles County Supervisor, 1st District
Honorable Holly Mitchell, Los Angeles County Supervisor, 2nd District
Honorable Katy Yaroslavsky, Councilmember, Los Angeles City Council, 5th District
Honorable Ara J. Najarian, Councilmember, Glendale City Council
Honorable James Butts, Mayor, City of Inglewood
Honorable Tim Sandoval, Mayor, City of Pomona
Jacquelyn Dupont-Walker, Appointee of the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles
Gloria Roberts, Director, Caltrans District 7
Stephanie Wiggins, Metro, Chief Executive Officer
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