

FAQ's

Frequently Asked Questions



Joint Powers Authority

Inglewood

TRANSIT CONNECTOR

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What is the ITC Project?

The Inglewood Transit Connector (ITC) Project is an approximately 1.6 mile fully elevated, automated, transit system with three stations in the City of Inglewood, the fastest-growing city in Los Angeles County. The Project will complete a critical first/last mile gap between the countywide Metro Rail System and the City's new major housing and employment centers, and sports and entertainment venues.

Where are the stations going to be located?

- **Station 1** will be located on the southeast corner of Market Street/Florence Avenue with a direct connection to the Metro K Line Downtown Inglewood station.
- **Station 2** will be located at the intersection of Prairie Avenue and Manchester Boulevard providing access to Kia Forum, SoFi Stadium, and Hollywood Park's housing, retail, and commercial destinations.
- **Station 3** will be located at the intersection of Prairie Avenue and Hardy Street providing access to SoFi Stadium, Hollywood Park, and Intuit Dome.

How will the Project activate Market Street and downtown Inglewood?

The proposed Project will support ongoing economic revitalization and growth opportunities for transit-oriented development (TOD) within the City's historic downtown area. As part of the proposed project, the City developed Design Standards and Guidelines to ensure that the development of the ITC Project complements the City's downtown character.

Promoting the walkability and revitalization of Market Street and the surrounding area is critical to uplifting the community. The City is also developing a Façade and Tenant Improvement Program for businesses along Market Street to further support these objectives.

What type of ridership is anticipated?

YEAR	Total Annual Ridership
2028	4.1 million
2078	7.9 million

What are the environmental benefits?

The ITC Project will allow Los Angeles County residents and visitors to access the region's top sports and entertainment events without needing to drive a car. This is anticipated to result in a reduction of approximately 46 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT) in the ITC's first year of operation, and 108 million VMTs in 2078. The ITC will also reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by over 1.2 million metric tons over fifty years.

What are the economic benefits?

According to analyses by the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation (LAEDC) completed in 2022 and 2023:

- Construction of the ITC would support 17,120 total jobs throughout the County of Los Angeles with 9,960 direct jobs within the City of Inglewood. (2023)
- The ITC is estimated to create \$3.37 billion in total output throughout Los Angeles County and \$1.9 billion total output in the City, including \$1.1 billion in direct construction costs, resulting in \$883 million in labor income. (2023)
- Annual operation and maintenance of the ITC will result in \$5.5 million in labor income, as well as \$2 million in tax revenue. (2022)
- Annual ridership is anticipated to have an economic impact of \$184 million in labor income when the ITC opens, which will grow to \$225 million in labor income by 2045. (2022)

What is the commitment to local jobs?

- The Project developer will be required to comply with the Project specific Community Workforce Agreement (CWA) executed with LA/OC Building Trades and approved by the City Council.
- The CWA will require at least 35% of all construction labor hours worked on the Project to be from local residents, 10% from workers who have faced a variety of employment barriers, and up to 30% from apprentices from each craft's workforce.
- Once the Project is built, the ITC JPA will require the developer to support a living wage and meet 35% local hire and 10% transition worker requirements during operations and maintenance.

What is the construction commitment program?

The ITC Project includes a construction commitment program to proactively address the potential effects of ITC Project construction on the community. The program includes the following:

Business and Community Support Programs

- Advertisement support for businesses
- Advance notice of construction activities
- Maintenance of adequate access for businesses, patrons and residents
- Access to a Project Public Liaison to address community comments

Traffic Management Plan

The City will establish a Project Task Force that will review worksite traffic control plans and other traffic management plans to:

- Proactively assess traffic conditions and establish detour routes
- Ensure close coordination with residential and commercial neighbors, police and fire personnel

Robust Air Quality Commitments

- The City is committed to a Clean Construction Program that utilizes environmentally friendly equipment
- Aggressive Dust Control requirements
- Designating a person to ensure the implementation of air quality mitigation measures through direct inspections, record reviews, and compliance investigations

How will the City support small businesses that may be impacted by the ITC Project construction?

The City is committed to providing financial assistance to established, small “mom and pop” businesses within the ITC Project area to help offset, to the extent possible, business revenue losses or increased expenses that are directly attributable to disruptions during the ITC Project construction activities. The City’s \$5 million Business Assistance Fund (BAF) will provide financial assistance through grants to eligible businesses.

When will the line open?

We anticipate construction to begin early 2025. The FTA, through their risk-informed modeling process, has set a passenger service date of March 2030. This is a conservative projection with significant contingencies built into it. The City will be able to provide a more realistic date for anticipated completion after it selects a best-value developer, which will happen summer 2024.

What is the status of the ITC Project?

A comprehensive environmental analysis of the project has been completed consistent with state (CEQA) and federal (NEPA) law. The City and Metro have created a Joint Powers Authority (JPA) to manage the design, construction, financing, operations and maintenance of the Project.

The ITC Project is estimated to cost \$2.2 billion and the City has secured \$1.9 billion of commitments from federal, state, and local partners to support this effort.

The City has prequalified three teams and released a Request for Proposals (RFP) November 2023. The winning team will be responsible for the design, construction, financing, operation and maintenance of the ITC Project. A contract which will enable design work to proceed is anticipated to be awarded summer 2024.

Who can I contact for more information or to arrange a presentation to my organization?

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