

BUS RAPID TRANSIT ON FREEWAYS STUDY



AT A GLANCE

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OVERVIEW

The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), in partnership with the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 12, is studying the development of two Freeway Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) routes on Interstate 5 (I-5) and State Route 55 (SR-55). The Freeway Bus Rapid Transit Concept Study will identify improvements to infrastructure and transportation solutions for potential Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) routes and identify stops along each corridor. The I-5 route is approximately 30 miles from the Laguna Niguel/Mission Viejo Station to the Fullerton Park and Ride, while the north-south route is 12 miles along the SR-55 from the Santa Ana Regional Transit Center to Hoag Memorial Hospital Presbyterian in Newport Beach.

The study will build upon prior studies conducted by Caltrans and the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) and will develop solutions which can benefit transit, high-occupancy vehicles, and toll users.

BACKGROUND

The OC Transit Vision (Transit Master Plan) was completed in 2018, establishing a 20-year plan for the future of Orange County's public transit system. The Transit Master Plan identified the I-5 and SR-55 as high-priority corridors, which became the focus of the OCTA Freeway BRT Concept Study.

This study will develop alternatives for the Freeway BRT corridors including identification of operating lanes, station locations, access ramps, and needed parking facilities. The alternatives will use existing and planned high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes.

SCHEDULE

The study will conclude in 2021 and will include public stakeholder engagement beginning in fall 2020.

MILESTONES	APPROXIMATE TIMELINE
Purpose & Need Assessment	Spring 2020
Alternatives Development	Summer – Fall 2020
Stakeholder Engagement	Summer – Fall 2020
Public Meetings	Fall 2020
Final Study Results	Early 2021

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Freeway Bus Rapid Transit Concept Study



LEGEND

- Proposed I-5 Freeway BRT
- Proposed SR-55 Freeway BRT
- BRT Stop

