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**CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE  
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**SUBJECT: ORAL REPORT COMPLETING THE REGIONAL CONNECTOR PROJECT**

**ACTION: ORAL REPORT**

**RECOMMENDATION**

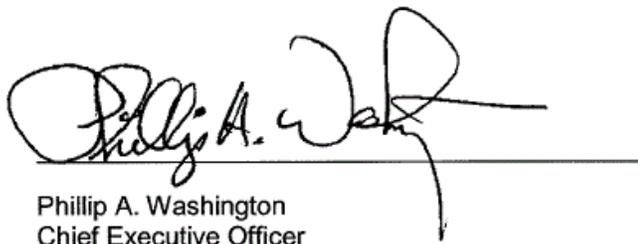
RECEIVE oral report describing the remaining work needed to complete and activate the Regional Connector Project in 2022.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Presentation on Completing the Regional Connector Project

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# Completing the Regional Connector Project

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East Los Angeles ↔ Santa Monica

Azusa ↔ Long Beach

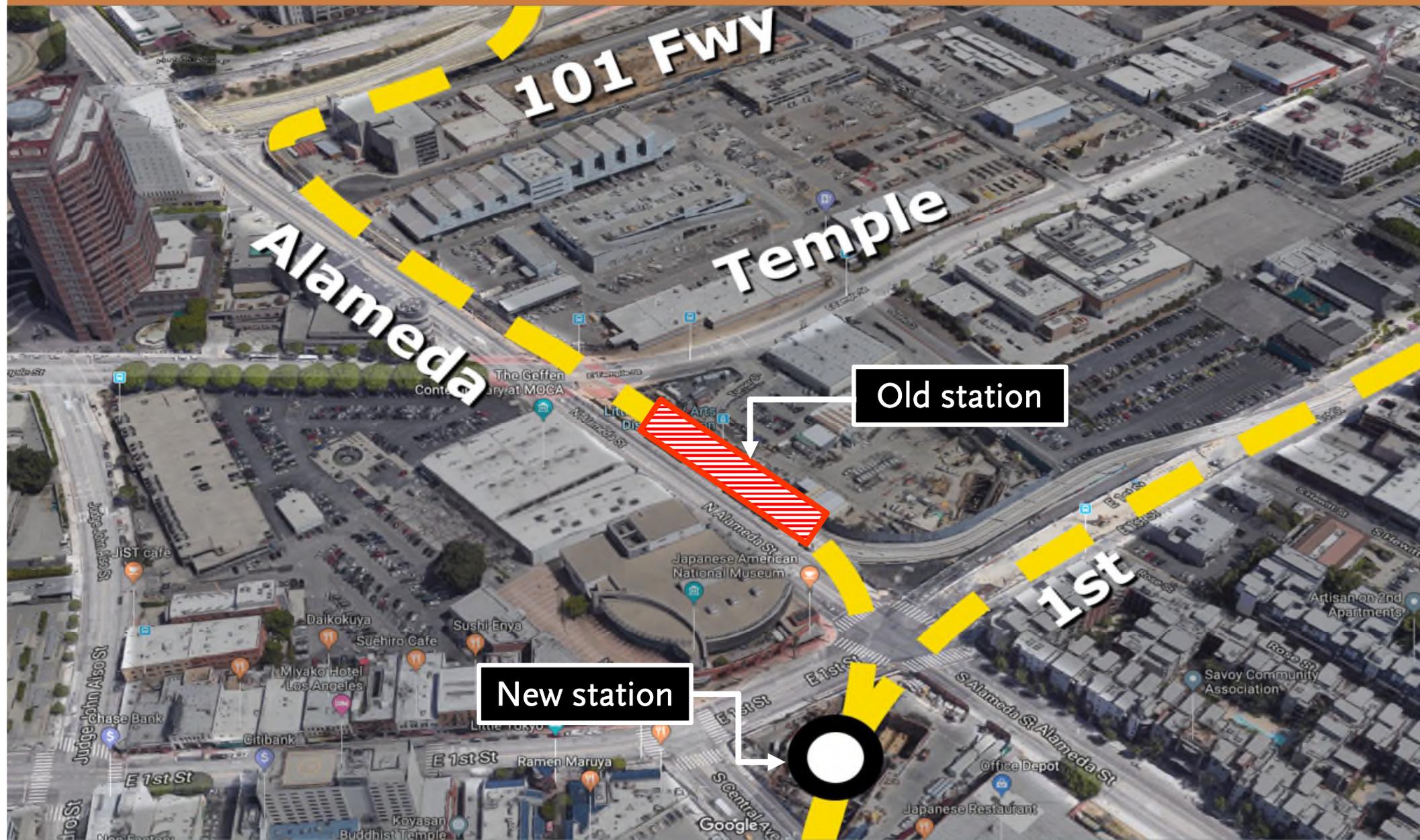


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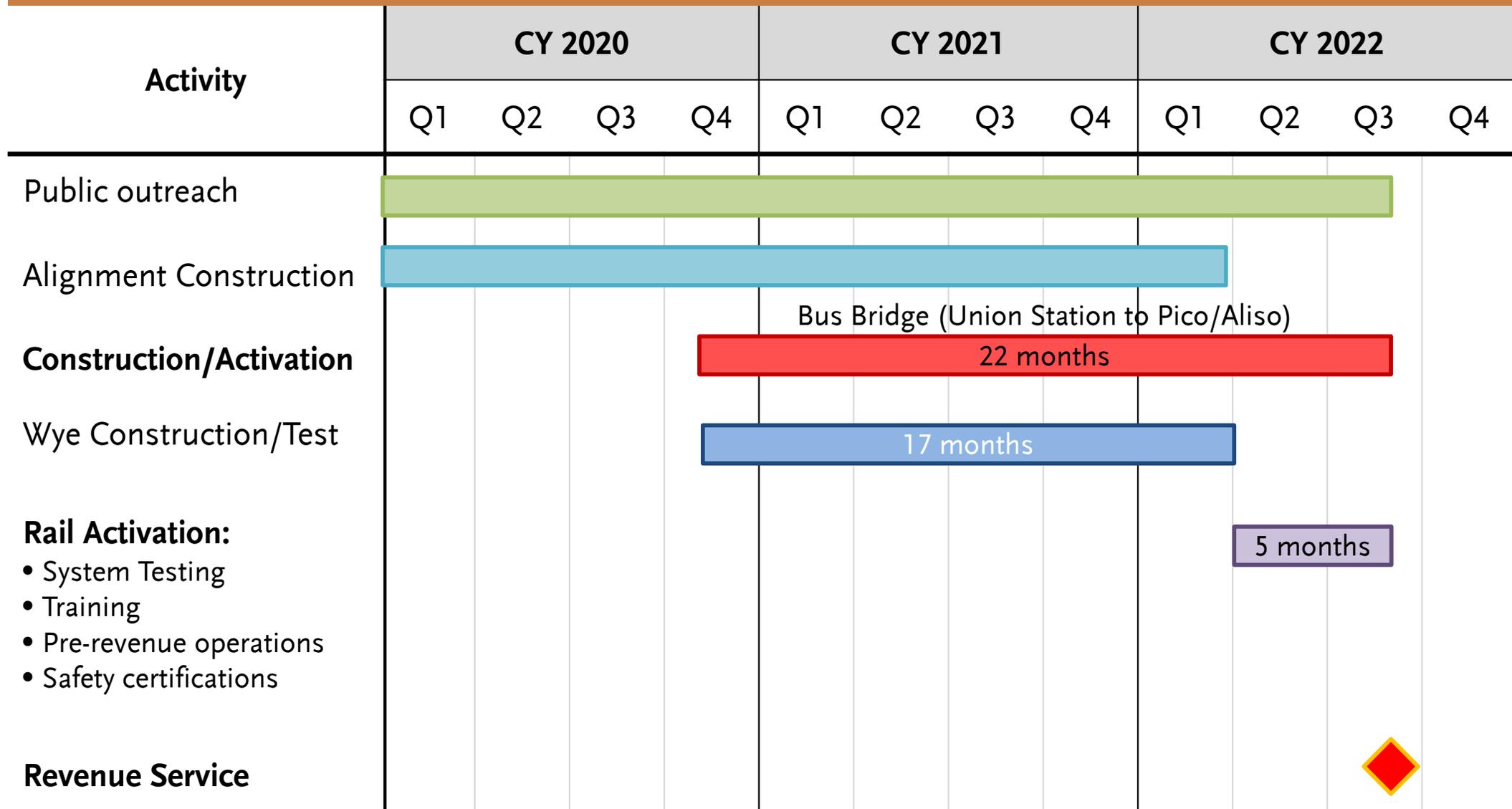
# The Regional Connector Project is on schedule for completion in 2022

- Integration of the Metro Gold, E (Expo) and A (Blue) lines is complex and requires extensive work during next two years.
- A Gold Line service interruption is required at the Little Tokyo/Arts District station to demolish and construct the new station, test the systems and conduct trial runs.
- The temporary bus shuttle service (bus bridge) will occur between Union Station, Little Tokyo/Arts District and Pico/Aliso stations.
- This program has been a collaborative effort between Program Management, Operations and Communications

When the new rail service opens, the Gold Line will be reconfigured into two independent lines



# Construction and Rail Activation schedules have been coordinated to complete the work as early as possible



# Extensive underground infrastructure work will follow the demolition of the existing station



# Following construction and testing, significant work remains to activate the system

- Tie-in of new construction with existing legacy systems A Line (Blue), Gold & E (Expo) Line, associated systems testing and system-wide signage updates
- Training of over 400 operations and outside emergency response personnel for the new Regional Connector project.
- Run simulated revenue service schedules.
- Comply with CPUC System Safety Certification Plan.

# Community outreach in preparation for the Winter 2020 service interruption is underway

- Early outreach has begun with Little Tokyo leadership, the Arts District and Boyle Heights communities.
- Bus bridge service plan will be guided by 2016 shoo-fly experience and 2019 A Line experiences.
- Planned public outreach activities calendar year 2020:
  - Brief Elected officials, institutions and CBOs – Quarter 1-2
  - Direct customer communication and media – Quarter 3-4
  - Continuous communication and PSAs during 22 month closure

# Operations Plan Development

Three primary service scenarios being evaluated:

- Long Beach – Azusa, Santa Monica – Atlantic
- Long Beach – Atlantic, Santa Monica – Azusa
- Long Beach – Atlantic, Long Beach – Azusa, Expo – Atlantic, Expo - Azusa

Criteria for scenario screening include:

- Operability (currently simulating service scenarios)
- Travel patterns to/from each segment
- Network simplicity
- Headway consistency
- On Time Performance
- Train minutes of signal delay
- Peak vehicle requirement
- Revenue vehicle hours