

CITIZENS' CAMPAIGN TO FIX THE EXPO RAIL LINE

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FACT: MTA EXPO LINE PHASE 1 IS ENVIRONMENTAL RACISM

"The fight is not against the Expo Line per se, but against a racist, unequal, unfair Expo Line" –The Wave Soulvine

Expo Rail Line Phase 1 Census Tracts Racial Breakdown (Data from 2000 U.S. Census):



- PINK: 2 majority/plurality white tracts
 1. **CULVER CITY**: 56% white, 8% black, 36% Hispanic (area's white population even higher today)
 2. **USC**: 48% white, 5% black, 16% Hispanic, 28% asian (students = technically low income)
- GREY: 7 majority/plurality black tracts
- PURPLE: 14 majority Hispanic tracts

CIVIL RIGHTS LAW:

"Each Federal agency shall make achieving environmental justice part of its mission by identifying and addressing, as appropriate, **disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects...on minority populations and low-income populations.**" (Executive Order 12898 - signed by President Clinton in 1994)

RISKS/IMPACTS FELT EVERY DAY FOR THE NEXT 100 YEARS	LA CIENEGA TO ROBERTSON	SOUTH LA <i>Vermont to Clyde (1 block east of La Cienega)</i>
Children Forced to Walk Across the Tracks on their Way to School	0	Thousands (1,800 at Dorsey and 1,400 at Foshay alone)
Elementary & Secondary Schools within 1/3 rd mile of a Street-Level Expo Line Crossing	0	12 (Serving over 11,500 students)
Motorists Forced to Drive Across the Tracks	0	Hundreds of Thousands
Streets with NO Crossing Gates (Exactly like the Most Accident-Prone Section of the MTA's Blue Line)	0 (All streets grade separated)	8 (Vermont, Western, Normandie, Crenshaw, Gramercy Place, Denker, Halldale & Raymond)
Streets with Crossing Gates that will be Down 40% of the Time During Rush Hour	0 (All streets grade separated)	6 (Arlington, 7 th Ave, 11 th Ave/Degnan, Buckingham, Farmdale & Hauser)
Streets Permanently Closed - Worsening Traffic & Slicing the Community in Half	0	8 (Wisconsin, Catalina, Budlong, La Salle, Harvard, Hobart, 2 nd Ave & 3 rd Ave)
Train Horns Blown in the Middle of Residential Areas & Next to Schools from 4 am to 2 am	0	5760 (960 each at 6 intersections: Arlington, 7 th Ave, 11 th Ave/Degnan, Buckingham, Farmdale & Hauser)
Homes NOT Protected by Sound Walls	0	Hundreds
Total Construction Cost From MTA's May '08 FTA Quarterly Briefing Book	For 1 mile: \$185 million	For 4.5 miles: \$140 million
Amount Spent Per Mile	\$185 million per mile	\$31 million per mile

ACT NOW: The South LA community is organizing & fighting in the courts NOW to change Expo Line so Phase 1 is built to the same standards through South LA as it is from La Cienega to Robertson. **Call for monthly meeting info: (323) 761-6435**

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