



If you're like us, you get to work each day excited and inspired by the world of extraordinary transportation innovations happening all around us. Technologies emerge and evolve. Mobility platforms grow and connect us in new ways. Groundbreaking partnership models are developed to address some of the most challenging mobility problems in America.

This is a space to focus on these innovations, the impact they could have, and how they might be used here in Los Angeles County. We want to move the conversation forward, amplify the ideas that excite us the most, and highlight what our Office is doing to take advantage of what the world has to offer.

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Is there a private interest in public transit?

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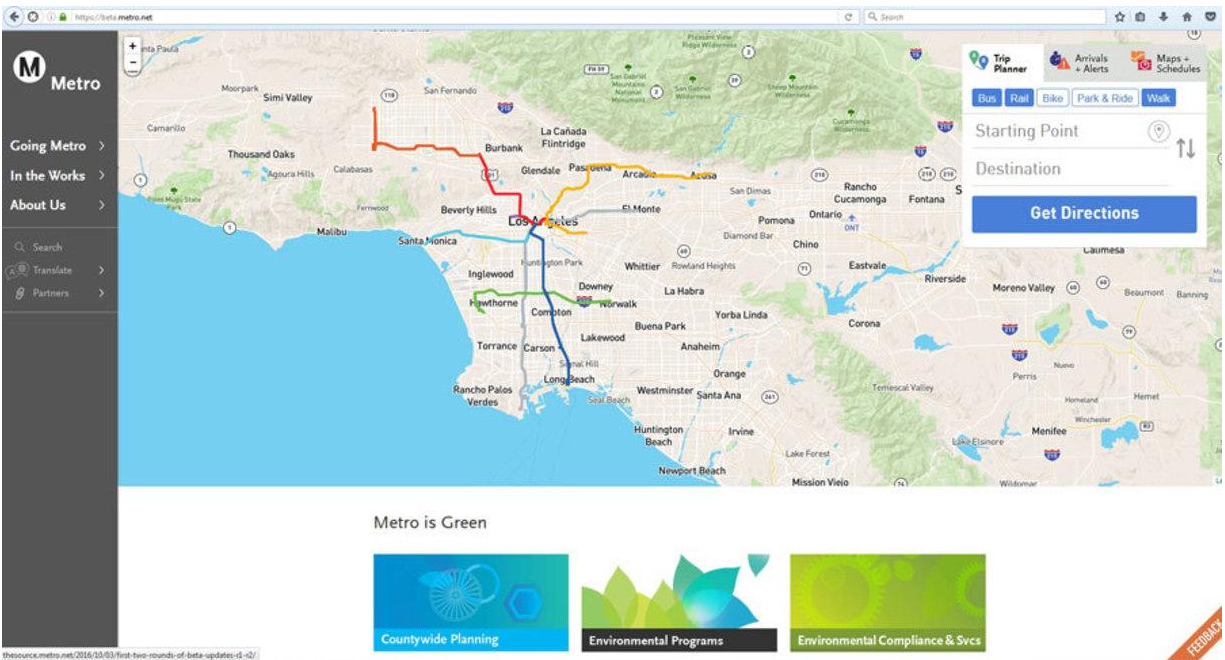
about how they can partner with public agencies like Metro to deliver extraordinary projects. [Read more...](#)



A TRANSPORTATION REVOLUTION CAN'T RUN ON AUTOPILOT

Why tech visionaries need to have feet planted firmly on the ground.

Technology is a tool by which we can achieve our goals – it is not the goal itself. The vision is a safer, more sustainable, more equitable, and more seamless transportation system that effectively serves our region. So how can we use technology to help achieve these goals? [Read more...](#)



SPOTLIGHT ON INNOVATION: BETA.METRO.NET

A new and improved trip planner is a portal into the heart of our County.

Something as simple as a trip planner, that gives information about getting from A to B, can be revolutionary. And that's just what those behind beta.metro.net had in mind. [Read more...](#)



ANNOUNCING OFF PEAK – A PODCAST ABOUT GETTING THERE IN L.A.

A six-part, story-driven podcast, unearths the rich history of transportation

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L.A.'s roads and railways connect places, but they also connect people. "Off Peak" is a six-part, story-driven podcast that digs into the stories behind how we get from A to B, which offers us clues into where we're heading next. [Read more...](#)

INNOVATION SHOUT OUTS

Who's Innovating at L.A. Metro?

Metro's Office of Extraordinary Innovation is tasked with identifying the best ideas in transit from around the country and around the world and evaluating them for implementation at LA Metro. Our central tool for accomplishing this is the Unsolicited Proposal Process, through which any private sector firm with a new idea can have it reviewed by experts at Metro. This tool would not be possible without the extraordinary talent and effort of the Metro staff who have lent their time and expertise to serve as part of an Innovation Review Team.

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