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Foothill Transit's Zero-Emissions Journey



Foothill Transit

SPEAKER

Doran Barnes

Chief Executive Officer



















About Foothill Transit

- Pomona and San Gabriel Valleys (eastern Los Angeles County)
- 327 sq. mi service area, 1.5m service pop.
- 12.6 Million boardings per year,43,000/day
- 36 local and express routes.
- 343 CNG buses, 32 electric buses.
- Innovation is part of our core mission.



The Foothill Transit MISSION

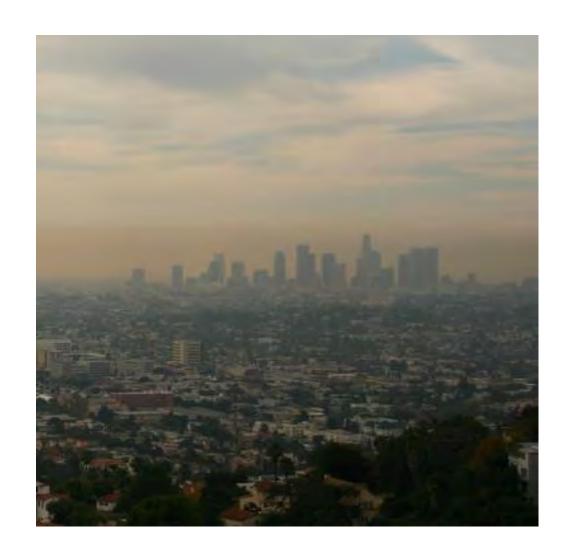
To be the premier public transit provider committed to:

SAFETY
COURTESY
QUALITY
RESPONSIVENESS
EFFICIENCY
INNOVATION



Why Implement ZEB

- Poor air quality
- Large population base
- ARRA Funding for Technology Project
- CARB Regulation



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SPEAKER

Roland Cordero

Director of Maintenance and Vehicle Technology

















In-Route Chargers

Pomona Transit Center

- One high power fast-charge station with two overhead chargers, sufficient to serve all buses
- Over 200,000 charge cycles to-date, and
 2.4 million electric bus miles
- Located at Pomona Transit Center, a central hub with off-street flexibility, safety and security
- 15 in-route fast charge buses





In-Route Chargers

Azusa Intermodal Transit Center - AITC

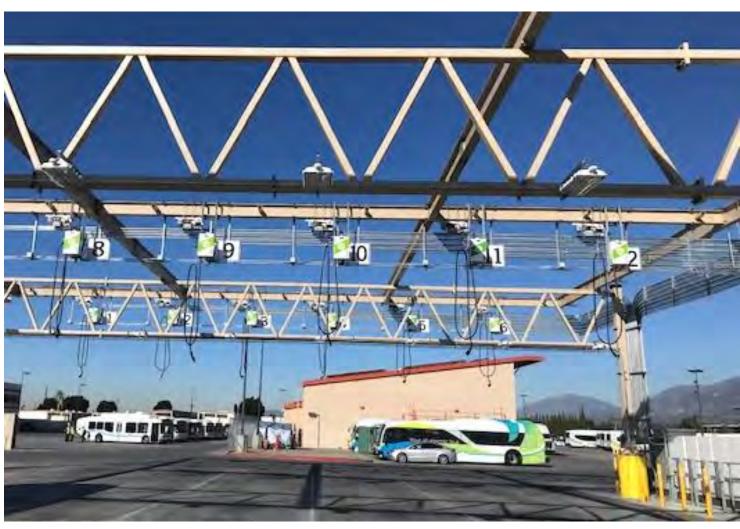
- Two overhead fast charges
- Supports extended range buses
- 14 extended range buses
- Over 1.0 M bus miles





In-Depot Chargers





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Joseph Raquel Director of Planning

















Fast Charge Buses

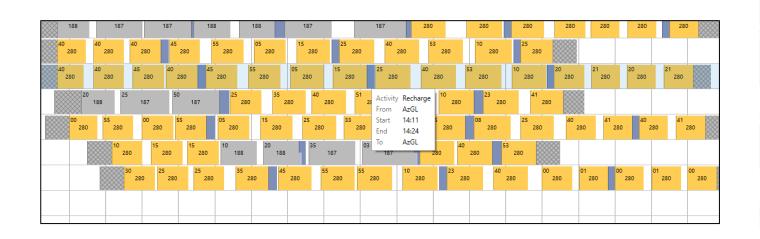
- Line 291 La Verne Claremont Pomona
- 9 miles one way
- 8 peak vehicles
- Fast charge buses
- 5 minute in route charging

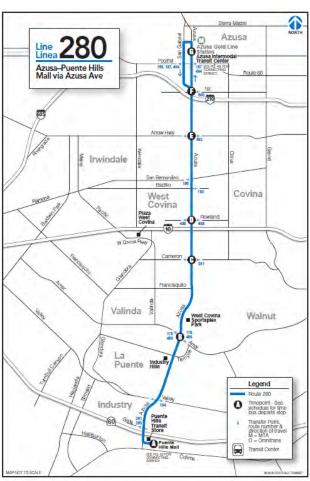
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5:40	5:45	5:53	5:58	6:11	6:20
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Extended Range Buses

- Line 280: Azusa– Puente Hills Mall via Azusa Avenue
- 11 miles one way
- 11 peak vehicles
- Extended range buses
- 12-minute opportunity charge every 3 or 4 trips





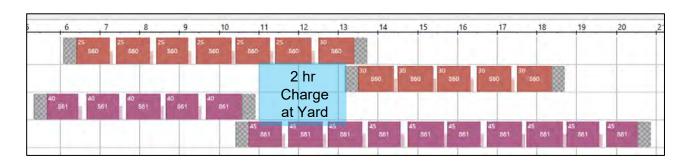
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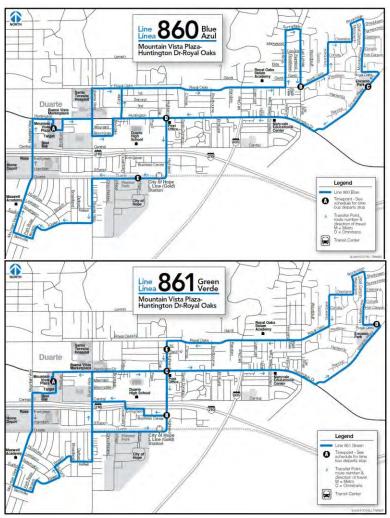
Lines 860 and 861: Duarte

Line 860: 13 miles

Line 861: 12 miles

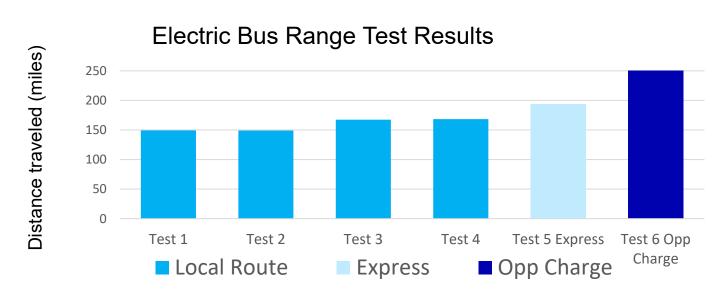
- 3 extended range electric buses
- Overnight charge and 2-hour midday charge at yard





BEB Range Testing

- Four tests on local routes average 159-mile range
- Results varied from 149 to 168 miles.
- Express line test, 194 miles
- Opportunity charge, 250 miles
- Battery level 100%->10%



SPEAKER

Felicia Friesema

Director of Marketing and Communications













Marketing Strategy



Goal of ZEB Communications

The mission of Foothill Transit is to be the premiere public transit provider committed to safety, courtesy, quality, responsiveness, efficiency, and innovation.

- Public safety, technologically amazing, and quiet
- Stakeholders want efficiency, better quality of life for communities, sustainability, and fundable

Tools of ZEB Communications





Branding: Same but Different





Results

- Always ready to share
- Well over 3.4 M electrical miles
- Successful funding initiatives
- Popular appeal
- Project longevity



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Michelle Lopes Caldwell

Director of Finance









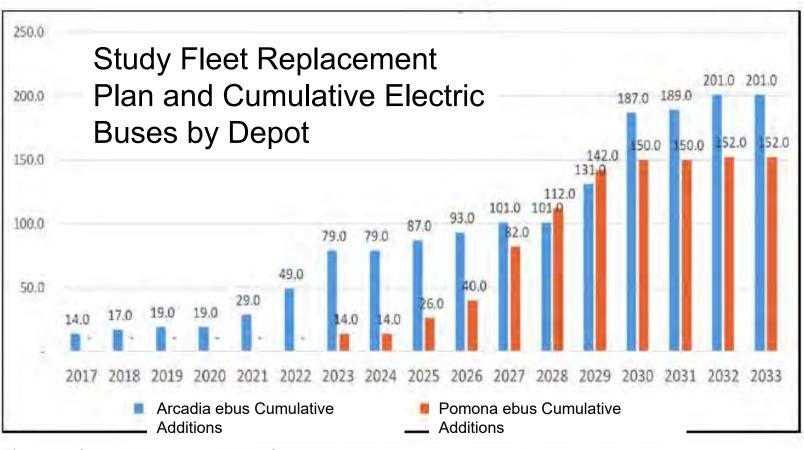








Foothill Transit Fleet Replacement Plan



^{*} Foothill fleet replacement plan as of March 2019

Gradual Electrification

- Electrification of both yards in parallel, not subsequentially
- "Interlining"
 - Separation of routes not recommended
 - Distinction in 3 phases

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All blocks remain as they currently are (can remain as they are) Intermediate transition phase (with only a small increase in vehicle requirement)

Fleet 100 % electric (further increases in the vehicle requirement for both depots)

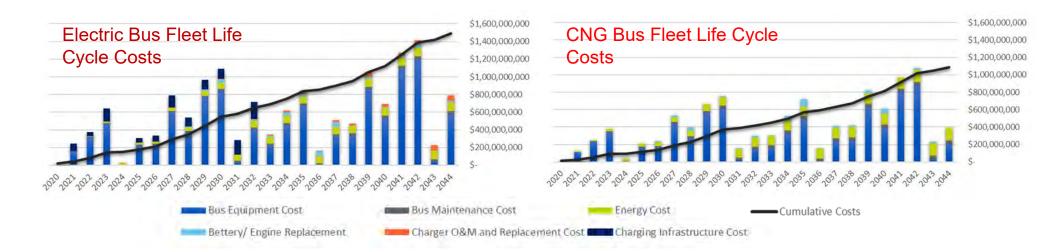
Existing and Future Depot Operational Assessment

- Each depot will transition to an electrified site over the next 10 years
- Yard operators will transition from CNG fueling to BEB charging
- Buses will be charged when returning to the depot.
 - Overnight charging will be the bottleneck in the future
 - Charged buses will move to parking area and another bus will be charged
- Other daily yard activities such as cleaning, fare drop off, and typical maintenance will be like today

Life Cycle Cost Analysis

25-year life cycle costs developed comparing CNG fleet (base case) and BEB fleet All operating and capital costs were considered for both cases

- Electric Bus and CNG Bus purchase costs (Foothill recent procurement pricing)
- CNG fuel cost vs SCE TOU rate electricity costs (Study estimates)
- Electric bus O&M vs CNG bus O&M (NREL O&M reports)
- Charging Infrastructure capital costs (Study cost estimate)
- Charger O&M and replacement costs (Vendor proposals)



Battery Electric Bus and Fuel Cell Electric Bus Fleet Comparison

Considering Two Bus Technologies







Battery Electric Bus Fleet (Electricity Powered)

Fuel Cell Electric

Bus Fleet

(Hydrogen Fueled)

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Credits and Incentives

BEB Rebates & Incentives

LCFS credit revenue at \$100 / Ton

HVIP Rebate; \$120,000 / BEB

SCE 50% charger rebate

FCEB Rebates & Incentives

LCFS credit revenue (N/A)

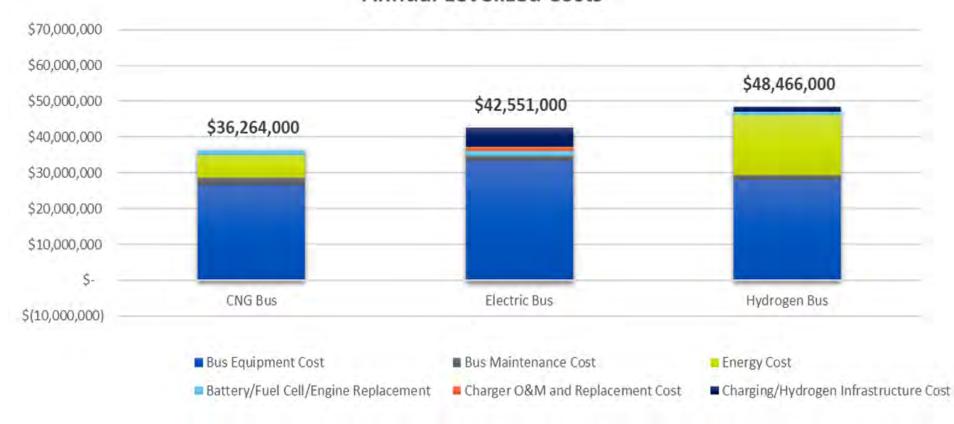
HVIP Rebate; \$315,000 / FCEB

Charger rebates (N/A)

Fuel Cell Bus and Battery Electric Bus Fleet Comparison

(LCFS @ \$100/TON + HVIP Rebate + SCE Rebates Case)

Annual Levelized Costs



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Kevin Parks McDonald

Deputy Chief Executive Officer













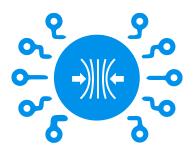




Why Fuel Cell?



Vehicle Range



System Resiliency



Infrastructure Cost



Vehicle Fueling Process

Program Timeline

2021

2022

2022

2022

Bus and Infrastructure procurement

Infrastructure construction

Vehicle delivery

Revenue service deployment

Current Plans

Proof of Concept (Line 486 deployment)



Resiliency – Fleet Mix



Lifecycle Cost Comparison vs. BEB

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Electric Double-Deck Bus



Double-Deck Electric Bus

- Four years in the making
- First two double deck battery electric buses in transit service
- High-capacity, smoother ride, reduce emissions
- Local funds
- Extended range



Thank you for attending!

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