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# \$75-million federal grant to help fund Metrolink expansion to Perris

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Metrolink commuter rail service will be extended to Perris, in Riverside County, aided by a \$75-million federal grant announced Monday. (Gary Friedman / Los Angeles Times)

By Rick Rojas

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Federal officials announced a \$75-million grant Monday to help pay for a 24-mile extension of Metrolink to the Riverside County city of Perris.


Extending the line is projected to cost \$248 million, with about \$63 million coming from the U.S. Department of Transportation in addition to the grant. The rest of the funds will come from state and locals sources.

U.S. Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx said in a statement that the project was one of several

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investments nationwide aimed at reducing congestion and improving mobility for commuters.

"Bringing more good transportation options to residents in Southern California is vitally important to improving the quality of life in one of the state's most congested corridors," Foxx said.

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