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Metro Ridership

KNX interviewed Media Relations staff today on ridership increases that Metro has seen in the last year as gasoline prices have increased. Staff reported that year-over-year ridership has increased 12.57 percent on Metro Rail, and 6.86 percent on directly operated bus service. System-wide ridership has increased nearly 8 percent since August 2004. High gasoline prices have made it more cost-effective for commuters to choose public transit and ridesharing options such as car and vanpools. President Bush recently asked that federal employees utilize carpools and mass transit as a way to help mitigate the effects of Hurricane Katrina.

High Gasoline Costs Vs. Riding Metro

The Los Angeles Times is expected to run a story tomorrow on the high gasoline costs and how high do they need to go before people switch to public transit. The reporter was given ridership stats on the Metro system with some increases noted on Metro Express routes.

Frequency Of Buses Connecting to Metro Orange Line

The Daily News inquired today regarding peak frequencies of north/south bus routes connecting with the Metro Orange Line. Staff told the reporter that our goal was to improve headways to 30 minutes or less on all lines connecting with the Metro Orange Line. The reporter also was told that Line 237 (Woodley Ave.) was the remaining 60 minute headway and that Metro is considering a proposal to improve service on Woodley to 30 minutes (subject to available resources). LADOT is also looking into the possible expansion of shuttle bus service at Warner Center.

California Transit Association 40th Annual Fall Conference & EXPO

The 40th Annual Fall Conference & EXPO is coming November 1-3, 2005 to the San Jose McEnery Convention Center in San Jose, California. Join more than 700 participants in this premier transit tradeshow on the west coast that brings together industry leaders and decision makers in the California public transit industry.

Update on Contract Bus Services Labor Issue - Day 56

Transportation Concepts Inc. (TCI) made 100% on-time rollout again this morning. There were nine drivers and three teamster representatives on the picket lines. There were no incidents between the TCI drivers and picketers.

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