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Metro Orange Line Dedication Ceremony

Numerous media outlets covered today's official dedication ceremony marking the start up of the new Metro Orange Line. Several television stations carried live remotes early this morning at the North Hollywood Station where both Mayor Villaraigosa and Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky as well as Media Relations staff were interviewed regarding this weekend's opening of the line. Media Relations distributed press kits at today's event and issued an opening day news release.

Human Remains Uncovered During Construction

KABC-TV interviewed media relations staff today regarding construction crews that uncovered partial and full skeletal human remains while working on the Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension. The reporter was told that following protocols, work stopped immediately and archeologists were brought in. The bones discovered as well as other artifacts have been excavated and are being examined at a lab and will be re-buried in the next several months in appropriate ceremonies.

Metro Red Line Fatality Accident

A Metro Red Line train struck a patron this afternoon at the Wilshire/Vermont station. The patron was fatally injured in an incident that occurred at approximately 12:40 p.m. The circumstances surrounding the accident are under investigation. Train service had to be singled tracked around the incident and there were 20 to 25 minute service delays as a result of the unfortunate accident. Various local media outlets were at the scene of the accident and stories are expected to air tonight.

Governor Schwarzenegger's Go California Workshop

On Tuesday, October 25, 2005, Governor Schwarzenegger's office hosted a workshop on the Go California initiative in Orange County. The event highlighted the Governor's legislative package for transportation, which includes legislation allowing the use of design build, and public-private financing for transportation facilities. The Governor has stated that he intends to pursue Go California in the Legislature when session resumes in January 2006. The workshop was followed by a tour of the State Route 22 project, which is a highway project that is using the design-build contracting method.

CEO Upcoming Meetings and Events

Next week on Monday, October 31, I will be welcoming customers riding the Metro Orange Line with Supervisor Yaroslavsky. Later during the week, I will be meeting with the members of the Czech Republic Consulate and Ron Gastelum – Executive Vice President of Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce. In addition, I will be attending the EXPO Metro Line Construction Authority Board Meeting

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