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Metro Blue Line Fatality

At approximately 1 p.m. this afternoon, a Southbound Metro Blue Line train was involved in a pedestrian fatality accident at the Artesia Station that affected regular train service. An unidentified male was killed, and the incident is still under investigation. The Artesia Station was closed due to emergency activity. Single tracking was implemented, with trains bypassing Artesia Station. Metro began replacement bus service between Compton and Del Amo Stations. Train service has been delayed up to 36 minutes between Long Beach and Los Angeles

Media was notified along with Metro staff involved in community outreach. Channels 5 and 7 covered the accident.

Metro Orange Line Accident

A Metro Orange Line bus traveling eastbound late this afternoon struck a Dodge pick-up truck that ran at red light at Vesper Ave. The southbound truck was hit broadside on the right rear side and spun around striking a power pole at the intersection of Vesper Ave and the busway. There was 10-minute service delay and no injuries were reported.

Infrastructure Bond Update

Legislative leadership continues to meet to discuss in infrastructure bond program. Members of the Republican Caucus have asserted that the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) formula could be used as an allocation formula for certain portions of the bond. Staff is generally concerned that the use of the STIP formula would limit the amount of funds available to Los

Angeles because we receive only 17% of these funds. The attached fact sheet has been distributed to members of the Los Angeles County delegation.

Public Policy Institute of California Poll

The Public Policy Institute of California has released a poll of Californian's and their government. The poll indicates strong voter support for an infrastructure bond program. PPIC Statewide Survey is attached.

Metro Generates Record Publicity in March

During March, Metro generated publicity with an equivalent ad value of \$4,881,023. About \$4 million of the coverage was national media coverage of Arthur Winston, which reflected positively on Metro. Fiscal YTD publicity is valued at \$17,500,000, which is a record for the agency. The vast majority of that publicity has been positive, which mirrors a trend as Metro's image has been bolstered by the introduction of new service such as the Metro Orange Line and other positive developments.

Media Inquiry from Beijing, China

A reporter from Global News in Beijing, China today interviewed Media Relations staff on how Metro is handling the discovery of human remains and artifacts unearthed during Eastside Metro Gold Line construction. Staff emphasized that Metro is working closely with the Chinese Historical Society and others in the community on how best to re-inter the remains with a fitting memorial and the disposition of the artifacts, which are a legacy from LA's past. The emphasis is on moving forward.

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