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| **Friday, September 14, 2012120914-1****In this Issue:****The Source Posts Pictures of the Near Completed El Monte Station****Procurement Postings for Next Week****Upcoming CEO Meetings & Events** |
| **The Source Posts Pictures of the Near Completed El Monte Station**Metro’s blog, The Source, has posted [pictures](http://thesource.metro.net/2012/09/13/el-monte-station-nearing-completion/?utm_source=rss&utm_medium=rss&utm_campaign=el-monte-station-nearing-completion) of the El Monte Station which is very close to being completed after being re-built and expanded to double its current size. Currently served by Metro, Foothill Transit, Greyhound and El Monte Transit, the facility lacked the capacity to handle additional bus service and wasn't originally designed to accommodate newer-generation buses. Please see the El Monte Station project highlights below: * Increases passenger capacity by 82% (from 22,000 to 40,000)
* Increases bus bays by 87% (from 16 to 30)
* Increases bicycle lockers/storage from 0 to 30
* Serves 40-ft and 60-ft (articulated) buses
* Adds regional Transit Store, bike lockers, and potential future retail opportunities
* Enhances law enforcement presence
* Supports additional bus service on the I-10 El Monte Busway to enhance the performance of the I-10 Metro ExpressLanes Demonstration Project.
* Provides new wayfinding signage

To read more about the El Monte Station project, please click [here](http://www.metro.net/projects/elmonte/). <http://www.metro.net/projects/elmonte/>**Procurement Postings for Next Week**Safety Vests (IFB)Procurement will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) next week to procure safety vests. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from September 20, 2012 through December 28, 2012. Safety vests are required to be worn by all employees who work in safety sensitive areas. Award of a contract will provide a commitment from the supplier to ensure availability at a fixed, competitive price. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by contract Tanya Allen, Procurement Planning Administrator, at (213) 922-1018.Replacement of Third Floor T-Bar Suspended Ceiling System in the Gateway Building (IFB)Procurement will release Invitation for Bids (IFB) for the replacement of the third floor t-bar suspended ceiling system in the Gateway Building. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from September 20, 2012 through October 31, 2012. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Kenneth Takahashi, Sr. Contract Administrator, at (213) 922-1047.Metro Blue Line Air Compressor Motor Overhaul for Light Rail Vehicles (IFB)Procurement will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) next week to procure services for air compressor motor overhaul for the P865/P2020 light rail vehicles (LRV). The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from September 18, 2012 through December 10, 2012. Overhaul of the air compressor motors is required to support the maintenance and repair/overhaul program on Metro’s Blue Line P865 and P2020 light rail vehicles. These services are essential to ensure that the air compressor motor’s performance is in accordance with the LRV manufacturer’s performance criteria. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Otto Ojong, Sr., Contract Administrator, at (213) 922-1454.Freeway Service Patrol Temporary Staffing Services (IFB)Procurement will release a Invitation for Bids (IFB) next week to procure Temporary Staffing Services for Union Station. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from September 19, 2012 to October 19, 2012. Freeway Service Patrol (FSP) requires the services of a temporary employment agency to assist in staffing LACMTA’s USG Building in support of the FSP Program. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by W. T. (Ted) Sparkuhl, Sr. Contracts Administrator (213) 922-7399.**Upcoming CEO Meetings & Events**Next week, I will attend the BizFed Board meeting, the California High Speed Rail meeting, the Regionwide CEO meeting and Metrolink Agencies CEO meeting. Finally, I will also attend our agency’s monthly committee meetings.  |
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