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| **Monday, March 4, 2013130304-1****In this Issue:****Metro Board Approves CEO Two-Year Contract Extension****I-405 Sepulveda Pass Improvements Project** |
| **Metro Board Approves CEO Two-Year Contract Extension**On Thursday, February 28, 2013, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) Board of Directors approved my two-year contract extension with options for two additional one year extensions following a closed session where we discussed my employment. The two-year contract extension is added to my previous four-year contract entered into in April 2009. I would like to thank the Metro Board of Directors for their actions and I look forward to working with them in carrying out the Measure R programs along with the agency’s mission and vision for Metro. Please click [here](http://www.metro.net/news/simple_pr/Two-Year-Contract-Extension-for-Metro-CEO-ArtLeahy/) to view the news release issued by Media Relations. <http://www.metro.net/news/simple_pr/Two-Year-Contract-Extension-for-Metro-CEO-ArtLeahy/>**I-405 Sepulveda Pass Improvements Project**Today, Metro Media Relations issued a news release announcing the I-405 Sepulveda Pass Improvements Project plans to close the southbound I-405 off-ramp to westbound Wilshire Boulevard for two weeks beginning at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, March 8, 2013. The new ramp is scheduled to open by 6:00 a.m. Friday, March 22, 2013. Motorists are advised to plan ahead, adjust their travel times, or share the ride during this time to reduce traffic impacts. The ramp closure is necessary to demolish the existing off-ramp, rebuild it, conduct roadway paving and shift K-rail. This is the third ramp to be demolished and rebuilt to date as part of the eight-ramp Wilshire interchange improvement work. Once built, the reconstructed Wilshire Ramp interchanges will produce some of the I-405 project's greatest local traffic improvements.  |
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