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| **Wilshire/Western Station Canopy Construction**  The Park Labrea News & Beverly Press has inquired about the subway portal canopy now being built over the Wilshire/Western Purple Line terminus near Koreatown. Greg Angelo, Director of Real Property Management and Development for Metro, reported that the construction of the canopy is the result of a renegotiation of ground lease terms between Metro and the current ground lessee. The construction of the canopy will both improve the passenger experience and help prevent weather-related damage to escalators and other station facilities. The new canopy, expected to cost no more than $1.6 million, will feature new components from Metro’s “kit of parts” station design concepts to help ensure design uniformity and more cost-effective station maintenance. Construction of the canopy is expected to be completed by October of this year, and will give the Wilshire/Western station a look similar to that of future stations for the Metro Purple Line Extension Project now in pre-construction. The full story is expected to run later this week.  **Crenshaw/ LAX Transit Project Construction Notice**  Construction of Exposition Station  As part of the construction of the Crenshaw/LAX Light Rail Line, work crews will implement a revised traffic reconfiguration to support work for the next phase of construction of the Exposition station. The work will entail the full closure of Crenshaw Boulevard between Exposition Boulevard and Rodeo Place starting Friday night, August 15, 2014 at 10:00 p.m. and lasting until early Saturday, August 16, 2014. The work is being managed and performed by *Walsh Shea Corridors Constructors.* After the completion of the work, two lanes of traffic will still be maintained on Crenshaw Boulevard; however, the left turn lanes on Crenshaw Boulevard at Rodeo Road will be temporarily eliminated to support the installation of piles on both sides of Crenshaw Boulevard.  A construction work zone will be established on the east side of Crenshaw Boulevard between Rodeo Road and Rodeo Place to support the simultaneous installation of piles on both sides of Crenshaw Boulevard.  **Caltrans Interstate 5 Construction Notice**  Between SR-118 and SR-170  The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will implement closures as part of a project to construct High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes and a direct HOV lane connector at the I-5/SR-170 interchange. Closures are scheduled to occur from Sunday, August 17, 2014 through Saturday, August 23, 2014. To view the complete Caltrans notice, please click [here](http://libraryarchives.metro.net/DB_Attachments/140814_I_5_HOV_118.pdf). | |
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