

# **Daily Brief**

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## Metro Orange Line Testing

KABC Channel 7 will interview Metro staff tomorrow morning for the station's 5 a.m. and 6 a.m. broadcasts. The station is reporting on the beginning of Metro Orange Line testing, scheduled to begin tomorrow, and will preview safety at Rapidway intersections. Interviews will be aired live and will run in later broadcasts.

### Metro's First Explosive Detection K-9 Arrives

Metro has received our first explosive detection K-9, "Napoleon". A formal event will occur when the second explosive detection K-9 is assigned to Security and the dogs assigned to Sheriff's deputies finish training. Metro Security Officer Gus Lozano and "Napoleon" are in the attached photo. For the near future, Officer Lozano and Napoleon will be working in Metro's bus and rail divisions.

### Operation "Green Line" Terrorism Training Exercise to be held at the Metro Green Line Marine Station in Hawthorne

Operation "Green Line" is a terrorism training exercise being held in the city of Hawthorne at the Metro Green Line Marine station, tomorrow, Wednesday September 21<sup>st</sup>. The area "G" command team, which consists of over twelve agencies including both police and fire will be participating in the exercise. The deployed agencies will be responsible for responding to a simulated suicide bombing and "active shooter" scene. Incident responders will be tasked with dealing with what at first is merely a report of an explosion of unknown nature. The situation will rapidly evolve and require immediate action to rescue victims and bring a halt to a sudden violent assault. Members of the media are invited to attend a media briefing at 8:00am and participate in escorted tours of the

location for photo opportunities.

#### **APTA Names Peer Review Panel Members**

The APTA Peer Review is scheduled to start in Los Angeles on Monday, October 24 and will conclude with a debriefing on Thursday, October 27. The panel members will arrive in Los Angeles on Sunday, October 23rd. As soon as Congressman Waxman's participants are selected, we will hold a teleconference of the participants to discuss the review, the process and to answer any questions that our review members might have. The APTA Peer Review panel members are:

Henry M. Nutbrown Assistant General Manager Engineering & Construction Division Port Authority of Allegheny County (Pittsburgh)

Raymond E. Sandiford Chief Geotechnical Engineer Port Authority of New York & New Jersey

Jeffery C. Hewitt Director of Major Construction Projects Richmond Airport Vancouver Rapid Transit Project

Martin Schroeder APTA Staff Advisor Sr. Program Manager Rail Programs

Greg Hull APTA Staff Advisor Director of Operations, Safety & Security Programs

### Update on Contract Bus Services Labor Issue - Day 51

Transportation Concepts Inc. (TCI) made 100% on-time rollout again this morning. There were nine drivers and three teamster representatives on the picket lines. There were no incidents between the TCI drivers and picketers.

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