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## **Government Finance Officer's Association Distinguished Budget Presentation Award**

The Office of Management and Budget received the Government Finance Officer's Association Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the fiscal year 2005-2006 budget. This award is the highest form of recognition in governmental budgeting. It reflects the commitment of the governing body and staff to meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting. In order to receive the budget award, the LACMTA had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. These guidelines are designed to assess how well an entity's budget serves as 1) a policy document; 2) a financial plan; 3) an operations guide; and 4) a communications device. This is the 12th year that LACMTA has received this prestigious award.

## **Metro Gold Line Back To Normal Operations**

Media Relations responded to numerous media inquires yesterday and today regarding an incident that occurred at the Del Mar station next to the Metro Gold Line tracks. During yesterday's storm, construction debris and scaffolding on a joint development project adjacent to the Del Mar station blew onto the tracks near the Metro Gold Line forcing operations to close the station. Construction crews were able to clear the debris this afternoon and normal train service was restored. Media requesting information on the station closure included the LA Times, Star-News, KFI, City News Service, Associated Press, Ch. 34, KNBC-Ch. 4, Ch. 34, and 62.

## **Underground Tunneling Techniques**

A reporter from Popular Science Magazine is preparing a feature story on

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underground tunneling for next month's issue. The reporter asked about the techniques used by construction crews when tunneling from two different directions and how they reach the same point in tunneling. The reporter will interview Dr. Eisenstein regarding various tunneling techniques as part of a story.

## **Go Metro To The Rose Bowl Game**

Media Relations issued a news release today encouraging football fans to Go Metro to the National Championship game at the Rose Bowl tomorrow. The news release notes that Rose Bowl officials have announced that parking will be limited for tomorrow's game at the Brookside Golf Course due to soggy ground conditions cause by the weekend storm. Fans are encouraged to use the Metro Gold Line, which will operate eight-minute headways beginning at 9 a.m. and will also supplement Metro Gold Line service with 15 additional articulated buses. Those buses will provide direct service from the Union Station Gateway Transit Plaza and end at the Metro Gold Line Memorial Park Station.

## **Interim Staff Assignments**

Due to the retirement of Richard Brumbaugh, effective immediately, Terry Matsumoto will oversee Finance/Treasury, Accounting, Office of Management and Budget, and Risk Management. Lonnie Mitchell will oversee Procurement and Material Management, Information Technology Services, and Human Resources/Labor. Both Terry and Lonnie will report directly to me during this interim period.

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