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KTLA To Air Five-Part Series On L.A. Traffic Congestion

KTLA is preparing a five part series on traffic congestion in the region, which will air sometime in February. I was interviewed this morning by reporter Ron Olsen on what Metro is doing to ease traffic congestion presently and what Metro plans to do in future years as population grows in Los Angeles County. Highlights include encouraging people to take the bus or rideshare at least once a week, continue to develop Metro Rapid Bus lines, improve goods movement in the region, expand the Metro Rail system including the Eastside Extension of the Metro Gold Line and a light rail project along Exposition right-of-way, and continue to develop transportation alternatives that encourage people to leave their cars at home and ride public transit.

Go Metro To See The L.A. Avengers At Staples Center

Media Relations issued a news release this afternoon encouraging Metro patrons to use the Metro system to see the Western Division Champion L.A. Avengers defend their title against the Arizona Rattlers in the first game of the season on January 29. Metro riders can save up to \$20 in parking fees by taking Metro. Riders also get a \$4 discount per ticket to all games by showing a valid Metro pass or ticket at the Staples Center box office or by purchasing tickets online.

Hybrid Vehicle Use Of County's HOV System

The Daily News is preparing a story on the use of HOV lanes in Los Angeles County by solo drivers with hybrid vehicles, as allowed under a newly enacted law. A Metro planning staff member was interviewed today regarding the capacity of HOV lines throughout the County and whether or not we have noticed an increase. Staff reported that there are approximately 11,000 registered owners of Hybrid vehicles in Los Angeles County (42,600 state-wide)

and we will continue to work with Caltrans in monitoring whether there is a significant impact on the HOV system. The story may appear tomorrow.

New Limited Stop Service On Metro Gold Line

Media Relations issued a news release announcing new limited stop service on the Metro Gold Line to begin on February 13. The new limited stop service will shorten end-to-end rush hour travel times from 34 minutes to 29 minutes, a 15 percent time savings for weekday commuters. The new service, the first of its kind on the 73-mile Metro Rail System, will stop at five of the 13 Metro Gold Line stations: Union Station, Highland Park, Mission, Del Mar and Sierra Madre Villa. Weekday-only limited stop service will consist of six trains running every half hour in both directions during the morning and afternoon rush hour periods.

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