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Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension Update

At approximately 8:45 am this morning, a construction crane operated by the contractor for the Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension, overturned on 1st Street near Lorena Street. One construction worker sustained a minor foot injury. Metro Safety and the Contractor's Safety staff are investigating the cause. However, it appears that the load on one of the crane's stabilizer feet exceeded the strength of the ground and existing street pavement causing the crane to tip. A portion of the crane's boom landed on the ground within Evergreen Cemetery.

Metro Blue Line Service Update

Metro anticipates service on the Los Angeles to Long Beach Metro Blue Line to be fully restored by Friday morning, March 31 following an early morning car accident March 20 which significantly damaged a large section of the rail line's overhead power system on its southbound track.

Metro determined the accident damage to be more serious and time-consuming than early assessments, with major repairs required to rebuild the Metro Blue Line's power system infrastructure near the Artesia Station. Repair work includes replacing 1,200 feet of overhead power lines, installation of new guide wire poles and pole foundations.

Although crews have made significant progress on repairs, both northbound and southbound trains will continue to share one track between Del Amo and Artesia Stations, with service delays between 30-35 minutes for trains running end-to-end between Los Angeles and Long Beach. Trains will run every 15 minutes between Long Beach to Del Amo Station and between Los Angeles and Artesia Station.

Since the accident occurred, Metro has operated a fleet of five supplemental

buses for Metro Blue Line patrons between the Del Amo and Artesia Stations. Alternative service is available on Metro Bus Line 60-360 from Long Beach to Los Angeles via Long Beach Blvd., Pacific Blvd., Santa Fe Ave. and 7th St.

For Metro Blue Line service updates, visit www.metro.net

Exposition Metro Line Construction Authority Board Meeting Agenda

The Exposition Metro Line Authority Construction Board is scheduled to meet on Friday March 31, 2006 at 2:30 p.m. at the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, 3rd floor, Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room 381B. Please note the date change from the first Thursday in April.

The Board will consider staff's recommendations to receive the proposed FY 2007 budget, assume the Metro Preliminary Engineering Design Services contract and implement an Urban Design Committee. The Consent Calendar item is a Receive and File monthly report on CEO authorized contracts. The General Board Discussion item is a Receive and File report on the Quarterly Project Status and Monthly Oral Report.

Reserve the Dates/Upcoming Events

Construction Management Association of America to Receive Expo Line Update – Wednesday March 29, 2006

Rick Thorpe will provide the Southern California Chapter of the Construction Management Association of America an Exposition Line Update at their March 29, 2006 dinner to be held at the Marriott at 333 S. Figueroa Street in downtown Los Angeles.

Metro Service Sector Council Meet and Confer – Wednesday March 29, 2006

The annual Metro Service Sector Governance Council Meet and Greet is scheduled for Wednesday March 29 at 4 p.m. in the Metro Board Room.

Santa Clarita Transit Maintenance Yard Grand Opening - Tuesday April 4, 2006

The Santa Clarita Transit Maintenance Yard Grand Opening ceremony is scheduled for Tuesday April 4 at 11 a.m.

Greater Los Angeles Vendor Fair - Wednesday April 12, 2006

The 2006 Greater Los Angeles Vendor Fair is scheduled for Wednesday April 12 at the Los Angeles Convention Center. The committee members presenting this fair include Metro, Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD), Metropolitan Water District (MWD), City of Los Angeles, and County of Los Angeles.

information is available at the website: www.LAVendorFair.com.

I-405 HOV (SR-90 to I-105) Grand Opening Event - Friday April 21, 2006

Caltrans has scheduled a dedication/ribbon cutting ceremony for the I-405 San Diego Freeway HOV from SR-90 to I-105 for Friday April 21 at 10 a.m. in the Robinsons-May parking lot at Fox Hills Mall. Invitations will be ready at a later date.

Access Washington D.C. - Monday May 15 to Thursday May 18, 2006

The LA Area Chamber of Commerce's annual advocacy trip to Washington, D.C. is scheduled from Monday May 15 to Thursday May 18, 2006.

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