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### **Business Transportation and Housing Secretary to Leave the Schwarzenegger Administration**

Sunne Wright-McPeak, Governor Schwarzenegger's Secretary of Business Transportation and Housing (BT&H) has announced that she will be leaving the Administration in November. Secretary McPeak will be joining the California Emerging Technology Fund which seeks to expand broadband access into underserved communities. During her service in the Administration, BT&H was charged with launching a number of new initiatives including Go California, the Goods Movement Action Plan and the Strategic Growth Plan.

### **Metro Line 577X Riders Love the Express Service**

Media Relations distributed a news release this morning on the new Metro 577X express line from El Monte to Long Beach. The bus, which utilizes high occupancy vehicle lanes, travels from the El Monte Transit Center to the Veterans Affairs Medical Center and California State University campus in Long Beach, with only one stop in between – at the Metro Green Line Station in Norwalk. The release quoted several of the new line's 700 riders who are happy with the service, noting that they have saved more than \$1,000 in gasoline and maintenance costs on their automobiles. Line 577X is the second service in the Metro Express bus program, joining Line 450X which carries commuters between the Artesia Transit Center in the South Bay to downtown Los Angeles. [http://www.metro.net/news\\_info/press/metro\\_118.htm#TopOfPage](http://www.metro.net/news_info/press/metro_118.htm#TopOfPage)

### **Burbank/Glendale Regional Connector Study**

Media Relations also issued a news release today detailing the recent Board action funding a series of transportation studies. Specifically, the release

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highlights a \$150,000 study examining the feasibility of a regional connector through parts of Los Angeles and the cities of Glendale, Burbank, and Pasadena that would link the Metro Red Line and/or Metro Orange Line with the Metro Gold Line. The *Daily News* inquired about this item and may run a story tomorrow.

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