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| **Monday, August 6, 2012 120806-1**  **In this Issue:**  **Westlake/Mac Arthur Park Station is Getting a New Protective Canopy**  **Major Construction of Expo Phase 2 Now Underway with Commencement of Work on the Centinela Bridge**  **Metro ExpressLanes Program Construction Notice** |
| **Westlake/Mac Arthur Park Station is Getting a New Protective Canopy**  The Source is reporting that the Metro Red Line Station Westlake/Mac Arthur Park Station is getting a new protective canopy, along with two other stations – Civic Center and Pershing Square. The construction process involves building massive support columns at the site to hold up the sleek but heavy canopy coverings. The umbrellas are constructed in another location and then carted in. The point of the project is to protect the escalators from weather and improve their reliability. The umbrellas will also shield those who ride escalators at these stations. To read the complete story and view pictures, please click [here](http://thesource.metro.net/2012/08/01/let-a-canopy-be-your-umbrella/?utm_source=rss&utm_medium=rss&utm_campaign=let-a-canopy-be-your-umbrella).  <http://thesource.metro.net/2012/08/01/let-a-canopy-be-your-umbrella/?utm_source=rss&utm_medium=rss&utm_campaign=let-a-canopy-be-your-umbrella>  **Major Construction of Expo Phase 2 Now Underway with Commencement of Work on the Centinela Bridge**  Construction of the Expo Phase 2 project reached a significant milestone with the start of major work on one of the key structures for the Expo Line, the Centinela Avenue Bridge. After several weeks of pre-construction activities, including excavation, grading and installation of k-rail for traffic control, Expo’s contractor, Skanska-Rados Joint Venture, began drilling piling holes for construction of the bridge foundation. The next step in the construction process is building the footings, abutments and Mechanically Stabilized Earth (MSE) walls for the structure. Once the foundation is set, the precast girders will be placed, and the bridge deck will be completed. Finally, tracks will be installed on the bridge. The Centinela Avenue Bridge will take approximately twelve months to complete, with work occurring during regular daytime hours. To view the complete news release, please click [here](http://www.buildexpo.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/08/080612-Centinela-Ave-Bridge-Release.pdf).  [**http://www.buildexpo.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/08/080612-Centinela-Ave-Bridge-Release.pdf**](http://www.buildexpo.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/08/080612-Centinela-Ave-Bridge-Release.pdf)  **Metro ExpressLanes Program Construction Notice**  Pavement Removal and Replacement  The Metro ExpressLanes Demonstration Project along the Harbor Freeway (I-110) will lessen congestion, improve travel choices, and maximize efficiency on a heavily traveled north-south corridor connecting the South Bay to downtown Los Angeles. The project will provide a new way to move traffic in Los Angeles County by converting the existing HOV (carpool) lanes on the I-110 to ExpressLanes. Anticipated project completion is Fall 2012. As part of the continuing construction, the Contractor will widen the Adams Boulevard overcrossing to accommodate an exclusive right turn lane, providing two right turn lanes to the HOV collector to Figueroa Street. Construction work is scheduled to begin on Friday, August 10, 2012 at 10:00 p.m. through Monday, August 13, 2012 at 6:00 a.m., weather permitting. Eastbound and westbound lanes on Adams Boulevard between I-110 northbound HOV lane off-ramp and Flower Street, Los Angeles. To view the complete construction notice, please click [here](http://libraryarchives.metro.net/DB_Attachments/120806_Adams_Blvd_Construction_Work_Notice.pdf).  <http://libraryarchives.metro.net/DB_Attachments/120806_Adams_Blvd_Construction_Work_Notice.pdf> | |
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