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Gates to be Latched at Union Station Starting June 19, 2013

Starting Wednesday, June 19, 2013, gates will be latched at the two entrances of the Red/Purple Line subway at Union Station. Gates at the fifteen other Red/Purple Line subway stations will eventually be latched over the course of the summer. Upon satisfactory operational results on the subway, gates at the Gold, Green and Blue line stations may be latched as early as this fall. It is important to note that one of our goals in this effort is to create a safer customer experience by reducing fare evasion. Our agency also estimates that there will be an annual increase in revenue from the subway alone of \$6 million to \$9 million because more people riding the system will be paying fares. Patrons will be reminded that in order to ride Metro Rail, one must have a TAP card from Metro or a TAP-enabled paper ticket from another agency. In addition, TAP cards can be purchased for \$1 at ticket vending machines at Metro Rail stations and/or they can also be purchased with a day pass when boarding buses for \$6 — \$5 for the day pass, \$1 for the card. Other agencies besides Metro and Metrolink using TAP cards include: LADOT, Montebello, Santa Clarita, Antelope Valley, Culver City, Gardena, Norwalk and Foothill Transit. In addition, fifteen more municipal agencies are scheduled to begin using TAP in the next year or so. These include Long Beach Transit and the Santa Monica Big Blue Bus. To read more about the gate latching effort, please click here.

Full Directional Freeway Closures to Install Girders for the Skirball Bridge in the Sepulveda Pass Planned for June 18-21

The I-405 Sepulveda Pass Improvements project contractor is scheduled to implement full directional freeway closures on the nights of Tuesday, June 18, through Friday, June 21, 2013 to install girders for the Skirball Bridge in the Sepulveda Pass.

June 18-19

Southbound 405 from 101 Freeway to Getty ramps (lane closures start at 10:00 p.m.)

June 20 – 21

Northbound 405 from the Getty ramps to Ventura Boulevard (lane closures start at 10:00 p.m.)

June 18 – 21

Skirball Bridge Closure (from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.)

Each night, ramps within the freeway closure limits will begin to close as early as 7:00 p.m. and freeway lanes will begin to close as early as 10:00 p.m., leading up to the full directional freeway closure between the hours of 12:00 a.m., midnight, to 5:00 a.m. For Friday night, the full closure will occur from 1:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m.

- Sepulveda Boulevard will remain open during the nights of the full directional freeway closure
- Emergency vehicle access will be maintained. Pedestrians will be rerouted to a safe area outside of the construction zone.

- Detour maps are available at www.metro.net/405
- Schedule and details are subject to change.

For a listing of daily closures and latest updates visit our website at www.metro.net/405 or follow us on twitter: www.twitter.com/l_405 and Facebook at www.facebook.com/405project

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