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| **Friday, August 16, 2013130816-1****In this Issue:****Countdown to Orange County I-405 Freeway Closure - Scheduled to Begin This Weekend****Go Metro and Save on Outdoor Movie Tickets****Directional I-405 Freeway Closures Through the Sepulveda Pass Planned Saturday, August 17, 2013 and Saturday, August 24, 2013****Procurement Postings for Next Week****Upcoming CEO Meetings & Events** |
| **Countdown to Orange County I-405 Freeway Closure - Scheduled to Begin This Weekend**Full I-405 20 Hour Closure Scheduled Between I-605 and Valley View StreetThere is **1** day left until the 20-hour closure of the eastbound SR-22, northbound I-405 and southbound I-405 freeways between I-605 and Valley View Street. The closure is scheduled to commence tomorrow, Saturday, August 17, 2013 from 9:00 p.m. through Sunday, August 18, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. The [Orange County Transportation Authority](http://simplesend.com/simple/t.asp?S=336&ID=65555&NL=4423&N=81247&SI=4255814&URL=http://www.octa.net/)  (OCTA) recently opened the newly reconstructed connector between the southbound San Diego Freeway (I-405) and the eastbound Garden Grove Freeway (SR-22), marking a milestone for the West County Connectors project. Crews will now move forward to demolish the old structure, a major demolition activity that will require a full 20-hour closure of the I-405 freeway. OCTA and the construction team developed an [interactive Google map](http://simplesend.com/simple/t.asp?S=336&ID=65555&NL=4423&N=81247&SI=4255814&URL=https://maps.google.com/maps/ms?msid=205019920822877204952.0004d40fa081ecaaba1b1&msa=0) and list of recommended detours for this scheduled closure. Northbound I-405 detours:* Exit Beach Boulevard and turn right; take the westbound SR-22 on-ramp to reconnect with northbound I-405
* Exit Westminster Avenue (east) and turn left, turn right on Bolsa Chica Road and take the westbound SR-22 on-ramp to reconnect with the northbound I-405
* Exit Valley View Street and turn left on Garden Grove Boulevard, turn right on Valley View Street and take the westbound 22 on-ramp to reconnect with northbound I-405.

Southbound I-405 detours:* Exit Studebaker Road and turn right, turn left on East Second Street/Westminster Avenue, continue on Westminster Avenue to access southbound I-405
* Merge onto northbound I-605, exit Katella Avenue and turn right, turn right on Valley View Street to access southbound I-405.

Southbound I-605 detours:* Exit Willow Street and turn right, turn left on Studebaker Road, turn left on east Second Street/Westminster Avenue, continue on Westminster Avenue to access southbound I-405.

Motorists on Seventh Street and eastbound SR-22 should merge on northbound I-605, exit Katella Avenue and turn right on Valley View Street to access southbound I-405. For full closure details as found on The Source, including a map of the closures and helpful links, please click [here.](http://simplesend.com/simple/t.asp?S=336&ID=65555&NL=4423&N=81247&SI=4255814&URL=http://thesource.metro.net/2013/08/12/meanwhile-at-the-other-end-of-the-i-405/)**Go Metro and Save on Outdoor Movie Tickets**Summer in Los Angeles can’t end without an outdoor movie screening. Luckily, both Eat See Hear and Street Food Cinema provide outdoor movie experiences until Saturday, September 14, 2013. Each event brings together the best food trucks, bands, comedians, and more to keep you full, happy and entertained for the rest of summer. Go Metro to these events and you can receive a discount on admission. By showing a valid TAP card at the ticketing booth, you can [save $2 on an individual pass](http://www.metro.net/service/discounts/family-friendly/eat-see-hear-summer-2013/) at Eat See Hear or [save $3 on a single admission ticket](http://www.metro.net/service/discounts/family-friendly/street-food-cinema-summer-2013/) at Street Food Cinema. The exclusive discount is part of Metro’s [Destination Discounts](http://www.metro.net/interactives/html/summer_fun/howitworks.html)program. Some upcoming events include two movies for the price of one at Exposition Park on Saturday, August 31, 2013. Street Food Cinema will be screening a BFF Double Feature of *St. Elmo’s Fire* and*Reality Bites*. Hop on the Expo Line to Expo Park/USC to get there. To kick off the school year, catch Eat See Hear’s event, “Back To School” playing at Santa Monica High School on Saturday, September 7, 2013. To get there; take Metro Bus 534 to Washington/Fairfax or Santa Monica Big Blue Bus 3 or 7 to Pico/6th. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for all events. For the full story as posted on The Source, please click [here.](http://thesource.metro.net/2013/08/15/destination-discount-go-metro-and-save-on-outdoor-movie-tickets/)**Directional I-405 Freeway Closures Through the Sepulveda Pass – Scheduled Saturday, August 17, 2013 and Saturday, August 24, 2013**The I-405 Sepulveda Pass Improvements contractor will continue removing falsework on the Mulholland Bridge in the Sepulveda Pass on Saturday nights over the next two weekends. This will require full directional freeway closures from Valley Vista Drive to Skirball Center Drive between the hours of 11:00 p.m. until 9:00 a.m.The closure schedule is as follows: * Saturday, August 17, 2013: Full southbound freeway closure, from Valley Vista to Skirball. The Northbound #1, 2, 3 lanes will be closed as a buffer. Closures start at 11:00 p.m. and last until Sunday, August 18, 2013 at 9:00 a.m**.**
* Saturday, August 24, 2013: Full northbound freeway closure, from Skirball to Valley Vista. The Southbound HOV, #1 and 2 lanes will be closed as a buffer. Closures start at 11:00 p.m. and last until Sunday, August 25, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.

101 Freeway Connector Ramp Closures* Saturday, August 17, 2013: 101 connector ramps closed to southbound I-405, 11:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m.
* Saturday, August 24, 2013: 101 connector ramps closed to northbound I-405, 11:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Emergency vehicle access will be maintained. Pedestrians will be rerouted to a safe area outside of the construction zone. Sepulveda will be used as the detour route and no closures will take place on Sepulveda from Valley Vista to Church Lane. For additional project information or to obtain detour maps, visit [www.metro.net/405](http://www.metro.net/405). Follow the project on social media at [www.facebook.com/405project](http://www.facebook.com/405project) and <http://twitter.com/I_405>. For real-time traffic conditions, visit Caltrans web site at [www.quickmap.dot.ca.gov](http://www.quickmap.dot.ca.gov).**Procurement Postings for Next Week**Bus Compressors for Service and Maintenance of HVAC System (IFB)Metro will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) next week to procure bus compressors. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from August 22, 2013 through October 31, 2013. Compressors under this procurement are needed to service and maintain the HVAC system on buses. Award of a contract will provide a commitment from the supplier to ensure availability at a fixed, competitive price. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Tanya Allen, Procurement Planning Administrator at (213) 922-1018Copier Paper for Administrative Offices and Copier Center (IFB)Metro will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) next week to procure copier paper. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from August 22, 2013 through October 31, 2013. Copier paper is used in the administrative offices as well as the copier center to produce documents for Metro business. Award of a contract will provide a commitment from the supplier to ensure availability at a fixed, competitive price. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Tanya Allen, Procurement Planning Administrator at (213) 922-1018Asphaltic and Portland Cement Concrete Pavement Maintenance & Replacement Services (IFB)Procurement will release an Invitation for Bid (IFB No. OP33673149) next week to procure the services of contractor(s) to provide Asphaltic Concrete & Portland Cement Concrete Pavement Maintenance & Replacement Services. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from August 14, 2013 through December 15, 2013. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Thomas Meng, Senior Contract Administrator at (213) 922-1074.**Upcoming CEO Meetings & Events**Next week, I will have separate meetings with Metro Board Chair Diane DuBois and Metro Board Director Michael Antonovich. I will also meet with Tracy Rafter from BizFed and attend a briefing on the Union Station Master Plan. In addition, I will attend a Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce event where City Attorney Mike Feuer will share his vision for using his critical role to improve the City. Lastly, I will participate in a conference call to discuss the Antelope Valley Line.  |
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