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Gold Line Trains to Run Every Six Minutes on Weekends

Beginning Sunday, January 27, 2013 Metro will operate more frequent service along the Metro Gold Line, improving train service from every 12 minutes to every 6 minutes on Saturday and Sundays from approximately 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Patrons using the Metro Gold Line, operating between East Los Angeles and Pasadena via downtown Los Angeles, can now enjoy more frequent service on the weekends with less waiting time between Gold Line trains. The enhanced Gold Line service will encourage patrons to enjoy Old Town Pasadena, Chinatown, Little Tokyo and East LA over the weekend, making better and faster connections. New timetables are now available on board trains. For more details, please read the story as posted on The Source by clicking [here](#).

<http://thesource.metro.net/2013/01/18/metro-to-run-more-gold-line-trains-every-six-minutes-from-10-a-m-to-8-p-m-on-weekends-beginning-jan-27/>

Notice of On-Site Filming at Union Station East Portal Friday, January 25, 2013 through Thursday, January 31, 2013

ABC/Disney TV will be filming a project in Union Station and East Portal. The production will be on-site Friday January 25, 2013 through Thursday, January 31, 2013 with filming scheduled from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. in Lot B, East Portal, and East Portal Bar Area in the Upper Balcony. The crew will be filming a stunt during off peak periods of travel and have agreed that they are not to hold customer and passenger traffic, and will make accommodations for access to the stairways, escalator, the elevators and the Red Line entrance. Production has been advised to provide adequate signage to the public informing them of what they're doing. Emergency exits and a reasonable walkway will be maintained through this area at all times. Metro staff participated in planning to make sure our concerns were adequately addressed.

Procurement Postings for Next Week

Metro Photo Enforcement Program (RFP)

Procurement will release a Request for Proposals (RFP), next week to procure the Photo Enforcement Program Services. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from February 6, 2013 to May 30, 2013. Metro is seeking proposals for services in

connection with the continuation of Metro's existing and future photo enforcement program on the Gold, Orange, Blue, Exposition phase 1, Crenshaw (future), Exposition phase 2 (future) and other future lines that shall begin service within the period of this contract. The purpose of the photo enforcement program is to curtail unsafe driving behavior at current and future Light Rail Transit (LRT) intersections and dedicated bus way intersections. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Maria V. Lechuga, at (213) 922-7206.

Database Information Subscription Services (RFP)

Procurement will release a Request for Proposals (RFP), next week to procure the Database Information Subscription Services. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from February 8, 2013 to May 30, 2013. The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) has several departments throughout the agency that consistently require database information subscription services to perform their duties. The information required ranges from multiple databases essential to performing Worker's Compensation Investigations, legal data, including case law, Shepard's, a database that automatically generates updates to legal codes, Matthew Bender, the premier publisher of Legal Practice Guides, Treatises and legal forms as well as other information necessary to conduct background investigations of applicants for contracts with Metro. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Maria V. Lechuga, at (213) 922-7206.

Water-Based Fire Protection and Automatic Closing Fire Assembly System Inspection, Testing, Certification, Maintenance, and Repair (IFB)

Procurement will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) next week to procure the services of contractor(s) to provide Water-Based Fire Protection and Automatic Closing Fire Assembly System Inspection, Testing, Certification, Maintenance, and Repair. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from January 24, 2013 through May, 31, 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.

Regional Connector Advanced Utility Relocations (IFB)

Procurement will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) to procure services to relocate utilities in advance of the Regional Connector Transit Corridor project. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from January 25, 2013 through May 28, 2013. The Work generally involves the relocation of potable/fire water, sanitary sewer and electrical conduit utility lines that interfere with the future Regional Connector Transit Corridor alignment. This includes, but is not limited to, the verification of existing conditions of the site and related coordination, potholing, demolition, traffic management, construction and supervision. Metro's Project Labor Agreement (PLA) will apply to this project. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Joseph Lemon, Contract Administrator, at (213) 922-3980.

Freeway Beautification Project (Landscape Installation and Maintenance) (IFB)

Procurement will re-release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) next week to procure landscape installation and maintenance services for Metro's Pilot Freeway Beautification Project. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from January 30, 2013, through May 1, 2013. The goal of the Freeway Beautification Project is to improve the freeway environments by installing landscape and irrigation systems using sustainable materials, and to provide maintenance services for the identified project areas to maintain the objective of this beautification project. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Victor Zepeda, Contract Administrator, at zepedav@metro.net.

Upcoming CEO Meetings & Events

Next week, I will be meeting with Councilman Tom LaBonge, Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) Executive Director Gina Marie Lindsey, and Assemblymember Ardin Nazarian. I will also attend the employee of the Quarter Luncheon to honor the award recipients. I will speak at the Greater Los Angeles African American Chamber of Commerce Board meeting and at Move LA's 5th Annual Transportation Convention. Lastly, I will be attending the groundbreaking ceremony for the Baldwin Avenue Grade Separation project in El Monte.

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