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| **Metro Live Features Metro Board Chair and Metro Executive Director of Highway Projects on Thursday, October 17, 2013**  Metro Board Chair Diane DuBois and Metro Executive Director of Highway Projects, Doug Failing, will answer phoned-in questions from TV viewers on Metro Live on Thursday, October 17, 2013 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. The show will focus on Metro highway projects in partnership with Caltrans. Topics will include: on-going congestion, Goods Movement, why highways are a key component of Measure R, congestion pricing for highways, how technology is helping eliminate traffic bottlenecks, 21st century funding tools, mobility options, highways and roads of the future, including an innovative plan for the I-710 South that will someday create a goods movement propelled by technology. Metro Live will air on Santa Monica City TV 16 and L.A. County TV 36 and will stream live on the web at [citytv.org](http://www.smgov.net/departments/citytv/). Questions can be sent in advance to [livechat@metro.net](mailto:livechat@metro.net). To read the complete story as posted on The Source, please click [here](http://thesource.metro.net/2013/10/10/send-in-advance-questions-now-for-tv-call-in-show-next-week/).  [**http://thesource.metro.net/2013/10/10/send-in-advance-questions-now-for-tv-call-in-show-next-week/**](http://thesource.metro.net/2013/10/10/send-in-advance-questions-now-for-tv-call-in-show-next-week/)  **KPCC inquires about SR-710 North**  Today, KPCC radio interviewed Metro Highway Program Executive Officer Frank Quon regarding the next steps for the SR-710 North environmental study in the wake of the recent law that allows Caltrans to sell properties it owns along the SR-710 corridor. Quon told the reporter these are two separate processes. Once the preferred alternative for the SR-710 is selected it will help inform the decision on which properties can be sold. The next steps for the SR 710 study are to release a DRAFT EIR/EIS for circulation in spring 2014. This will be followed by public hearings to receive comments from the public. The technical team will consider all comments and will weigh them against the alternatives. The preferred alternative will move into the final environmental document which is expected to be completed in 2015. Stories will air this afternoon and tomorrow.  **Metro’s Countywide Signal Priority (CSP) Program is Presented with the ITS America Smart Solution Spotlight Award**  On Monday, September 30, 2013 at the 19th Intelligent Transportation Society of California (ITS CA) Annual Conference and Exhibition in San Diego, the Intelligent Transportation Society of America (ITS America) honored Metro’s Countywide Signal Priority (CSP) Program with the ITS America Smart Solution Spotlight Award. ITS America’s Smart Solution Spotlight Award honors companies and organizations for their successful use of innovative technologies to create a safer, cleaner, more efficient and sustainable transportation system. The Metro CSP program was acknowledged as the largest multi-jurisdictional bus signal priority deployment in the United States. It established new standards for the implementation of signal priority, and the approach is now being used by other transit agencies across the nation. In Los Angeles, CSP has been adopted by six different transit providers and has been deployed in nearly a third of the 89 jurisdictions in the County. To view a picture of Scott Belcher (President and CEO of ITS America), Jane White (Chair of ITS California) and Metro staff, please click [here](http://libraryarchives.metro.net/DB_Attachments/131011_DB_Picture.pdf).  [**http://libraryarchives.metro.net/DB\_Attachments/131011\_DB\_Picture.pdf**](http://libraryarchives.metro.net/DB_Attachments/131011_DB_Picture.pdf)  **Procurement Postings for Next Week**  Concrete Panels for Gold Line Track (IFB)  Metro will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) next week for a contractor to supply pre-fabricated modular, steel reinforced concrete panels that conform to the requirements of the solicitation documents. The contractor shall provide all materials, equipment, delivery and supplies as necessary to allow the complete installation of the panels by Metro personnel. These new panels will replace current asphalt crossings and allow a safe crossing for patrons in the event of an emergency that requires de-training. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Monday, October 14, 2013 through Thursday, October 31, 2013. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Ruth DeWitt, Contract Administrator at (213) 922-1076 or [dewittr@metro.net](mailto:dewittr@metro.net).  Crenshaw/LAX Rail and Bumping Posts (IFB)  Metro will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) next week to procure rail material in support of the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Corridor project. For this procurement the following material will be purchased: Standard Rail, Head Hardened Rail and Bumping Posts. These items have been identified as long lead items and will be furnished to the Project. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Monday, October 14, 2013 through Friday, January 31, 2014. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Tiffany Smith, Contract Administrator at (213) 922-7216.  Division 11 Body Shop Ventilation and Dust Collection System (IFB)  Metro will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) for a contractor to perform complete construction work for installation of a ventilation and dust collection system in the Body Shop at Division 11. The contractor shall provide all services, labor, materials, equipment, transportation, supplies, supervision, and incidental costs as necessary for the complete installation of the ventilation and dust collection system and related work. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Monday, October 14, 2013 through January 14, 2014. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Deneise Glover, Contract Administrator at (213) 922-7302. Replacement Generator at Division 20 (IFB) Metro will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) next week to procure construction services. The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority is soliciting bids for a General Contractor to provide and install a new diesel-fueled backup Generator Unit, which will provide emergency power to the Division 20 facility. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Monday, October 14, 2013 through Friday, January 31, 2014. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Tiffany Smith, Contract Administrator at (213) 922-7216.  **Upcoming CEO Meetings & Events**  Next week, I will attend the Inglewood Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meeting to discuss the Economic Summit. I will have separate meetings with Assemblymember Richard Bloom, Metro Board Director Michael Antonovich and UTU Chairman James Williams. | |
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