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Metro to Celebrate Transit Operations Appreciation Month

National Transit Driver Appreciation Day is March 18, but here at Metro our appreciation goes further than that.

Metro will instead celebrate Transit Operations Appreciation Month for the entire month of March, honoring all of Transit Operations. Each week, we'll publish profiles of the Metro Divisions and Facilities highlighting what our frontline staff does to provide world-class transportation for all. In the past, Metro has celebrated this with thank-you notes from Metro employees and customers. This year, we'll also be presenting a small token and a message of appreciation from me on behalf of our entire agency.

I'll be recognizing our Operations again during my All Hands TV Show, Live from Division 10 on March 31.

Operations is the heart and soul of this agency and we encourage all staff to thank these folks for their hard work in getting us all to our destinations safely, day-in and day-out.

Transit Operations Appreciation Month



Eno Transit Senior Executive Program: Lessons in Leadership

Yesterday, I was in Alexandria, VA, to participate in the Eno Transit Senior Executive Program session "Lessons in Leadership." I delivered the Keynote speech covering various topics on leadership including my personal leadership philosophy, transitioning from military to civilian life, my career path, my influences and motivations, leadership as a transferable skill, and some points on career advice. This Eno program has invited me back to address this professional development group for a couple of years now and I am pleased to accept their invite and be a part of this successful program.

The Eno Transit Senior Executive Program is a leadership development program designed for senior-level managers in the public transit industry. Participants learn from more than a dozen guest lecturers who are current or former transit general managers, senior Federal officials, or senior private sector staff. Metro is proud to have three of our own leaders participating in this program: Chief of Communications Yvette Rapose, Senior Executive Officer of Rail Operations Bernard Jackson, and Executive Officer of Employee & Labor Services Teyanna Williams.



Regional Connector Project Manager Speaks at Construction Institute Summit

Last week, Metro Executive Officer and Project Manager for the Regional Connector Project, Gary Baker, delivered the closing presentation at the American Society of Civil Engineers – Construction Institute Summit 2020. Gary presented on Metro's transit projects under construction and in the planning/procurement phase. He also shared a detailed overview of the Regional Connector Transit Project, including unique technical aspects—like the sequentially excavated crossover cavern—and lessons learned on the project, which is now 63% built. I commend Gary for sharing the first-hand knowledge and

expertise he has gained from building this mega-project with peers and am proud of Metro for leading the conversation of our region's infrastructure future.



Celebrating Women's History Month

To commemorate women, the Women and Girls Governing Council (WGGC) will be hosting Employee Engagement Activities during the month of March to celebrate Women's History Month. Metro is proud of the continuous work we are doing to elevate and empower women within our workforce and strides we have made to leave a lasting impact on the lives of young girls interested in transportation and engineering. WGGC encourages you to participate in one, or several, of the planned Women's History Month activities. More details will be sent out this week.

Lunch & Learn: Be the leader of your life

Date: Monday, March 23, 2020

Time: 12pm - 1:30pm

Location: Plaza View, 4th Floor

To Register, click [here](#).

Pop-up art display

Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2020

Time: 11am - 2pm

Location: Metro Headquarters Cafe Lobby

Women's Business Clothing Drive

Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2020

Time: 11am - 2pm

Location: Metro Headquarters Cafe Lobby

Metro Bike Share Celebrates 200th Station

On Saturday, February 29, 2020, Metro celebrated the installation of our 200th Metro Bike Share station on Sunset and Silver Lake Boulevards. This is a significant milestone and shows the great progress our system is making. In the past year we have nearly doubled the number of stations on the ground. This new station is especially important because it increases the connectivity of the system by bridging gaps between Silver Lake, Echo Park, Los Feliz, Koreatown and Downtown LA.

Metro launched its first Metro Bike Share station at Union Station in July 2016 and is working on completing its Phase 3 expansion in Central LA, North Hollywood and on the Westside. The Metro Bike Share program continues to support the agency's goals of increasing bicycling as a viable commuting option and decreasing solo driving. Here's to more stations and less driving in 2020.

To learn more about the Metro Bike Share program, please visit metro.net/bikeshare.



Procurement Postings

Construction Support Services Consultant for Highway I-605 Project (RFP)

Metro released a Request for Proposal (RFP) to procure a Consultant to provide Construction Support Services to assist and support the design review, construction management, and administration of the construction contract. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Tuesday, February 18, 2020 to Monday, July 13, 2020.

Metro seeks a qualified consultant to ensure that the construction of the projects are completed in compliance with contract requirements and government regulations for the highway I-605 project. The Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy will not apply to this Procurement.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Diana Dai-Tsang, Principal Contract Administrator, at (213) 418-3310.

Door Enable System (RFP)

Metro will release a Request for Proposals (RFP) to procure a door enable system. The Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy will apply to this Procurement. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from March 5, 2020 through November 1, 2020.

Metro has established a contracting opportunity for a responsible Contractor to provide a turnkey solution to include design, supply, installation, and testing of an integrated Door Enable System (DES) that meets Metro's proposal requirements as outlined in the Statement of Work. The DES shall be installed on Light Rail Vehicles (LRV) that operate on the Blue, Gold, and Expo Lines. This procurement is a result of an approved Board Agenda Item #24, entitled "Door Enable System (Correct Side Door Opening Project)" from September 20, 2018.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by, Nicole Banayan, Principal Contract Administrator at (213) 922-7438.

I-210 Soundwall Package 10, I-710 Soundwall Package 2 and 3 – Construction Support Services Consultants (RFP)

Metro released a Request for Proposals (RFP) to procure Construction Support Services Consultants (CSSC) to support the planned Soundwalls for multiple highway projects. The Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy will apply to this Procurement. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Friday, February 28, 2020 through Wednesday, November 18, 2020.

CSSC shall provide all construction support services to Metro for and during the planning, construction, and contract closeout phases of soundwalls along I-210 Freeway from West of Marengo Avenue Overcrossing to Wilson Avenue in the City of Pasadena; Constructing new or improving Soundwalls at various locations along the I-710 in the cities of Long Beach, Compton, Lynwood, South Gate, Bell, Bell Gardens and Los Angeles; Constructing new and treatment of existing Soundwalls along southbound I-710 between Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) and I-405 within the City of Long Beach.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Vanessa Vingno, Contract Administrator, at (213) 922-7574.

Preparedness Specialist (RFP)

Metro released a Request for Proposals (RFP) to procure the services of a qualified Preparedness Specialist. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Monday, March 2, 2020 through Friday, May 29, 2020.

Metro seeks a qualified Preparedness Specialist to provide support to Metro's Emergency Management Department in ensuring that preparedness initiatives are developed and integrated agency-wide. Emergency preparedness must be considered in all planning and coordinating efforts to ensure sustainment of emergency management programs and strategies for an agency.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Greg Baker, Principal Contract Administrator at (213) 922-7577.

Recovery and Continuity Specialist (RFP)

Metro released a Request for Proposals (RFP) to procure the services of a qualified Recovery and Continuity Specialist. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Monday, March 2, 2020 through Friday, May 29, 2020.

Metro seeks a qualified Recovery and Continuity Specialist to provide support to Metro's Emergency Management Department to ensure that all components of Metro's emergency recovery efforts and continuity of operation functions are developed and implemented within each department and agency wide.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Greg Baker, Principal Contract Administrator at (213) 922-7577.

Construction Notices: Regional Connector, Purple Line, I-5

Regional Connector: Street Restoration closures at 1st/Alameda in DTLA

Street restoration at the 1st St and Alameda St intersection is now underway and scheduled to last through August 31, 2020. Plan ahead as lane reductions and road closures will be in place through the summer, as this work will be completed in two stages, each lasting approximately four months.

This effort marks the transition into the final phase of construction for the Regional Connector and brings it one step closer to testing and revenue operation. To learn more, click [here](#).

Purple Line Extension: Utility Potholing on Constellation Blvd East of Avenue of the Stars

Starting Monday, February 17 the construction contractor continued with utility potholing on the north side

of Constellation Blvd. to identify utility and soil conditions near the future station entrance. Night-time lane and sidewalk closures will be required for this work. All other lanes and sidewalks will remain accessible. To learn more, click [here](#).

Caltrans Interstate 5: All Construction Updates [here](#).

"There are many little ways to enlarge your child's world. Love of books is the best of all."

~ Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis

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