



MEDIA ADVISORY

***(Second Notice)**

MTA OPENS 6.4-MILE CAR POOL LANE IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY

WHAT: MTA will join Caltrans and local elected dignitaries to officially open a new \$24 million 6.4-mile car pool lane along Route 14 in the Santa Clarita Valley, funded entirely by the MTA. The event will highlight a parade of past, present and future vehicles using the new car pool lane. A vintage 1954 CHP patrol car will lead the parade of antique cars from the Santa Clarita Antique Car Club, Commuter Vans and new state-of-the-art electric vehicles. The special lanes operate in both directions along Route 14 from San Fernando Road to Sand Canyon Road. The opening is the first phase of a planned 36-mile car pool lane on Route 14 scheduled for completion in 2004, benefiting both Santa Clarita and Antelope Valley commuters.

WHEN: Tuesday, May 5, 1998
9 a.m.

WHERE: Golden Valley off-ramp from the Route 14 freeway
Santa Clarita

WHO: Larry Zarian, MTA Board Member & Glendale Councilman
Jan Heidt, Mayor of Santa Clarita
James C. Ledford, Mayor of Palmdale
Frank C. Roberts, Mayor of Lancaster
James de la Loza, MTA Executive Officer, Regional Transportation Planning and Development.
Tony Harris, Caltrans District 7 Director
Representatives for Congressman Howard McKeon, State Senator William Knight, State Assemblyman George Runner and LA County Supervisor Michael Antonovich

CONTACT: Rick Jager, MTA Media Relations, (213) 922-2707
MTA Media Relations at (213) 922-2700

MTA-055