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MTA HOLDS TWO PUBLIC MEETINGS IN WHITTIER TO GATHER INPUT FOR THE SOUTHEAST BUS TRANSIT RESTRUCTURING STUDY

The MTA has joined with the Gateway Cities Council of Governments subcommittee and the Southeast Area Bus Restructuring Committee in launching a series of meetings aimed at gathering public input as part of the Southeast Bus Transit Restructuring Study.

The MTA, working with Weslin Consulting, will conduct two public meetings in Whittier on Thursday, March 18, to talk with transit users and the general public and get their comments about how they think bus service can be improved.

The MTA is leading the Southeast Bus Transit Restructuring Study in conjunction with 27 cities and public transportation operators in Southeast Los Angeles County.

The purpose of the study will be to determine what type of transportation alternatives the riding public wants and needs. The study also will address unmet transit needs in the Southeast portion of the county and make recommendations as to how to fill those needs.

The study area includes Artesia, Bell, Bellflower, Bell Gardens, Carson, Cerritos, Commerce, Compton, Cudahy, Downey, Hawaiian Gardens, Huntington Park, La Habra Heights, Lakewood, La Mirada, Long Beach, Lynwood, Maywood, Montebello, Norwalk, Paramount, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, Signal Hill, South Gate, Vernon, and Whittier.

The year-long study which began in October 1998 will cost \$387,000 and is being funded by the MTA.

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The two public meetings scheduled for Thursday, March 18 will be at the following locations:

***The Whittier Community Center
7630 Washington Avenue
Room 6
Whittier, Ca.
(From 10 a.m. to 12 noon)***

-and-

***Parnell Park
10711 Scott Avenue
Community Room
Whittier, Ca.
(From 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.)***

Those individuals unable to attend the meetings or any future public meetings concerning the Southeast Bus Transit Restructuring Study can give their input by calling (213) 239-6688 or e-mail their comments to ***LMW@Pacbell.net*** or mail their suggestions to MTA SE Bus Study, 500 South Grand Avenue, Suite # 1710, Los Angeles, 90071.

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