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Bus Rider Dispute

La Opinion and Channel 34 are following up on allegations by a group of Latino bus riders who claim an operator threw them off a Line 333 bus because they were speaking Spanish. Public Relations staff told reporters that this is a serious charge and Metro is thoroughly investigating the alleged incident but has no further comment at this time.

The operator in questioned is currently on leave while staff completes its investigation. We will issue a Board Box by the end of this week providing more details.

Major Transportation Article by L.A. Weekly

The LA Weekly has been working for months on a major transportation piece that may explore everything from the Consent Decree to the prospects of extending the subway west on Wilshire Boulevard. The reporter has interviewed many government and community leaders and transit users for this article. I was interviewed earlier this summer. The piece may run Thursday.

Update on Contract Bus Services Labor Issue - Day 9

Transportation Concepts, the contractor who operates Metro bus lines 96, 167, 218, and 603, made full rollout this morning with no buses leaving late. The picketing quietly continues with two Teamsters Union Reps and five of the seventeen striking drivers. The Teamsters had a media event late yesterday morning and brought in about twenty drivers from LADOT Commuter Express. It was reported that most of the striking drivers are waiting on background checks for LADOT service in the Valley where they plan to go and work. The Sheriff's support continues and no incidents were reported today.

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