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1st Street Bridge Re-Opening

Today, our design-build contractor successfully completed the portion of the guideway/track work across the 1st Street Los Angeles River Bridge that will allow the bridge to be re-opened to two-way traffic (one westbound lane and one eastbound lane).

We would like to thank the Mayor's Office, Council Districts nine and 14, the LA Department of Transportation and the LA Bureau of Engineering (LABOE) for their support and coordination efforts during the bridge's one-month closure. Due to these efforts, construction for the three phase bridge-widening project has been more efficient and has had fewer impacts on the community. We would also like to acknowledge the hard work performed by the Eastside Light Rail Transit Constructors.

I-710 Corridor Executive Committee Meeting

Yesterday, the I-710 Executive Committee convened its first meeting of the I-710 Project's Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Study (EIR/EIS). The project consultants, URS and MIG, presented an overview of the environmental and outreach project framework, goals and schedule.

The project will address three primary issues: 1) improving air quality and public health along the corridor; 2) improving mobility, safety and congestion; and 3) the use of green technologies to move containers along a dedicated freight corridor.

The I-710 Executive Committee provides policy input to the project study. Future

I-710 Executive Committee meetings will be held as key decisions and milestones are reached during the expected 43-month duration of the project.

School/Rail Safety Website

In an on-going effort to provide the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) with the resources needed to enhance the safety of its 1.7 million student population, staff presented a new website to LAUSD this week: www.metro.net/ridesafely. As a result of our partnership with LAUSD, the linking of our websites will provide direct access to our safety videos and teaching aids as downloads for schools throughout the district.

Upcoming CEO Meetings & Events

Next week, I will be participating in the General Managers' Meeting and the EXPO Board Meeting.

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