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| **County Supervisor and Metro Board Chair Antonovich Joins Community Leaders at Groundbreaking of Burbank Airport Transportation Center**  Today, Supervisor & Metro Board Chair Michael D. Antonovich was joined by various community leaders at the groundbreaking ceremony of the Bob Hope/Burbank Airport Intermodal Transportation Center. This is a $112.6 million project to be completed in 2014 that will directly link the airport to a new bus transit station and the existing Metrolink and Amtrak train station. Chair Antonovich calls the new multi-modal center the blueprint for the future of Southern California regional transportation, saying “Today’s dedication of this vital transportation center is only the beginning, and now we have a blueprint on which we will develop a regional transportation system with rail connections to our airports to serve our county’s ten million people in 88 cities and 134 unincorporated communities”.  **Media Inquiry on Metro** **Expo Line Junction**  The Los Angeles Times has inquired about track wear at the Metro Expo Line junction at Washington Street and Flower Street. Metro Corporate Safety and Wayside Systems briefed the reporter, saying that the agency has observed some surface wear on this portion of track that requires re-welding. However, the worn area is not enough to cause an operating concern for Expo Line trains. We will work with the contractor to re-weld the track in the next week. The contractor will be asked to prepare a detailed report assessing the scope of long-term maintenance which will also be provided to the California Public Utilities Commission. The reporter will follow up on results of re-weld work next week.  **Media Inquiry on the State** **Legislature’s Approval of California High Speed Rail Project**  City News has inquired about our reaction to the legislature’s approval of billions of dollars in construction financing for the first segment of the high speed rail line today. Deputy CEO Paul Taylor talked about the project’s benefits to Los Angeles County residents, who will benefit from local rail infrastructure improvements. High speed rail funds also partially fund the Regional Connector project in downtown Los Angeles. The story is expected to run this afternoon.  **Notice of Utility Work Along Exposition Right-of-Way**  Relocation of Existing Pipelines Work crews for Pacific Coast Energy Company LP will continue the relocation of existing pipelines within Metro’s Exposition Right-of-Way (ROW). Utility work will take place starting Monday, July 9, 2012 through Friday, August 31, 2012, during the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Work is not scheduled during weekends. Additionally, relocation work within Metro’s Exposition ROW will take place between Sepulveda Boulevard and Butterfield Road. To view the complete notice of utility work, please click [here](http://www.buildexpo.org/pdf_uploads/cons_qb2gfyp361.pdf).  **Procurement Postings for Next Week**  Division 10 Transportation Building and Central Maintenance Facility (CMF) Building No. 2 Annex Roofing Upgrade (IFB) Procurement will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) for a contractor to perform complete construction work for the removal of specified roof equipment and materials, installation of new roof system, metal paneling and mechanical screen at Metro’s Division 10 and Central Maintenance Facility (CMF) Building 2 Annex. The contractor will provide all services, labor, materials, equipment, transportation, supplies, supervision, and incidental costs as necessary. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from July 12, 2012 through September 20, 2012. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Deneise Glover, Contract Administrator, at (213) 922-7302.  L.A. SAFE Call Box Assessment Study (RFP)  Procurement will release a Request for Proposals (RFP) this week to procure professional services of a firm to study freeway and highway call boxes under L.A. SAFE’s management for possible reduction and/or re-alignment based on use, location, and/or other devices available to motorists in the Los Angeles County area. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from July 3, 2012 through October 31, 2012. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Victor Zepeda, Contract Administrator, at [zepedav@metro.net](mailto:zepedav@metro.net).  **Upcoming CEO Meetings & Events**  Next week, I will participate in a discussion with the San Fernando Valley Council of Governments regarding the proposed Measure R Extension. I will also attend a meeting with the California Foundation on the Environment and the Economy Infrastructure Steering Committee and with the Southern California Leadership Network. I will also be meeting with Senator Carol Lui and Mr. James Williams, General Chairman of the United Transportation Union. | |
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