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| **Monday, July 30, 2012 120730-1**  **In this Issue:**  **Landmark Sculpture to be Installed at New Metro Transit Hub**  **Metro Hosts 2012 Leadership APTA Class Tours**  **Metro Red Line Station Canopy Project Construction Notices**  **I-405 Sepulveda Pass Improvements Project Construction Notice** |
| **Landmark Sculpture to be Installed at New Metro Transit Hub**  An iconic, large-scale sculpture by Donald Lipski will be installed this week at the El Monte Station now nearing construction completion (unveiling of the work will occur at the time of the station opening). Lipski is a renowned sculptor with works represented in the Metropolitan Museum of Art (New York), the Walker Art Center (Minneapolis), and the Chicago Institute and has received the coveted Rome Prize from the American Academy in Rome. For the El Monte Station Lipski has created a monumental clock tower - with a twist. Entitled [Time Piece](http://thesource.metro.net/2012/07/27/monumental-sculpture-time-piece-to-be-installed-at-new-el-monte-station/?utm_source=rss&utm_medium=rss&utm_campaign=monumental-sculpture-time-piece-to-be-installed-at-new-el-monte-station), the artwork includes three double sided clocks suspended from a sweeping thirty foot tall stainless steel arch, using a web of thin stainless steel cables. The functional clock sculpture echoes the grand clock towers historically found in transit systems, but updated to contemporary times and appropriate to the contemporary design of the new facility.  <http://thesource.metro.net/2012/07/27/monumental-sculpture-time-piece-to-be-installed-at-new-el-monte-station/?utm_source=rss&utm_medium=rss&utm_campaign=monumental-sculpture-time-piece-to-be-installed-at-new-el-monte-station>>  **Metro Hosts 2012 Leadership APTA Class Tours**  Last week, I joined Metro Board Director Richard Katz, Deputy CEO, Paul Taylor, Los Angeles Department of Transportation General Manager Jaime de la Vega, COO Frank Alejandro and Interim Executive Director of Maintenance Michael Stange, in warmly welcoming the 2012 Leadership APTA class during a one day Metro visit. Staff showcased the Central Maintenance Facility, Union Station and Executive Director of Countywide Planning Martha Welborne gave the class an informative presentation of the Union Station Master Plan. Some of the topics discussed included leadership, ethics, vision, sustainability, funding, Measure R and past, current and future Metro projects, among others. Please click [here](http://libraryarchives.metro.net/DB_Attachments/120730_2012_Leadership_APTA_Class_Discussions.pdf) to view photos of the event.  **Metro Red Line Station Canopy Project Construction Notices**  Installation of Barricade Wall and Demolition of Concrete  Metro’s contractor continues to work on the construction of the canopy for the Civic Center Southwest Portal entrance. Activities include installation of temporary fence, demolition of the plaza slab for construction of foundations, columns, superstructure, utility relocation, pavement reconstruction and landscape restoration. Installation of barricade wall and demolition of concrete will begin on Monday, July 30, 2012, for approximately three weeks. The construction work hours are Monday through Friday from 8:30 p.m. to 5:00 a.m., possible intermittent day construction activities between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. To view the complete construction notice, please click [here](http://libraryarchives.metro.net/DB_Attachments/120730_Civic_Center_Southwest_Entrance_Construction_Notice.pdf).  <http://libraryarchives.metro.net/DB_Attachments/120730_Civic_Center_Southwest_Entrance_Construction_Notice.pdf>  Escalator Out of Service  Metro’s contractor continues to work on the construction of the canopy for the Civic Center Southwest Portal entrance. Activities include installation of temporary fence, demolition of the plaza slab for construction of foundations, columns, superstructure, utility relocation, pavement reconstruction and landscape restoration. The escalator at the Metro Rail Civic Center Station southwest portal entrance will be out of service starting Monday, July 30, 2012 through Friday, August 17, 2012. Please note that the contractor will install a fence that will temporarily block access to one escalator and stairwell. Signage will be posted to direct pedestrian traffic in and out of the station. To view the complete construction notice, please click [here](http://libraryarchives.metro.net/DB_Attachments/120730_Civic_Center_Southwest_Entrance_Construction_%20Notice_Escalator_OOS.pdf).  <http://libraryarchives.metro.net/DB_Attachments/120730_Civic_Center_Southwest_Entrance_Construction_%20Notice_Escalator_OOS.pdf>  **I-405 Sepulveda Pass Improvements Project Construction Notice**  Freeway Drainage System  Construction of the freeway drainage system at the Sepulveda Boulevard and Moraga Drive intersection is anticipated to start on Monday, July 30, 2012 through August 30, 2012. Anticipated work hours are from 9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. Sepulveda Boulevard will be reduced to one lane in each direction during the work hours. The Moraga ramps may be closed intermittently at 7:00 p.m. and traffic will be detoured to the Getty ramps. To view the complete construction notice, please click [here](http://www.metro.net/projects_studies/I405/images/notice_2012_0730.pdf).  <http://www.metro.net/projects_studies/I405/images/notice_2012_0730.pdf> |
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