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| **Countdown to Metro ExpressLanes**: **Tip #4 – Double White Lines = Double Yellow Lines**  With 9 days remaining before the 110 ExpressLanes open between Adams Boulevard and 182nd Street, it’s important to note that the ExpressLanes are separated from the general purpose lanes by double solid white lines. This is a change from the typical carpool lanes which are separated from the general purpose lanes by double solid yellow lines.  Why the change? In 2011, the State passed a law requiring Express Lanes to conform to the federal requirement that double white lines serve as the buffer striping to separate the general purpose lanes from the Express Lanes. It’s a moving violation to cross the double white lines so never cross a double white or double yellow line. The double white lines are in effect 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.  The 110 ExpressLanes have designated entry and exit points indicated by a single dashed white line. For more information on how the ExpressLanes will work, check out the [video](http://youtu.be/H-HKcnj_JAY).  *About Metro ExpressLanes*  *Metro ExpressLanes is an exciting new endeavor. But like all new undertakings, it will take some time to become familiar with how it works, and it will take time before we experience the full benefits and rewards of this new traffic flow improvement project. We expect to see traffic flow enhancements and congestion reduction as the project progresses over time along with some immediate advantages such as new and more frequent transit service. Participant-adoption, and on-going feedback as a vital partner in this program will ensure its success as well as an improved travel experience for all drivers between the 110 and 10 freeways to downtown Los Angeles.*  [*http://youtu.be/H-HKcnj\_JAY*](http://youtu.be/H-HKcnj_JAY)  **Construction Has Begun at the Division 13 Bus Maintenance Facility**  As you may have already noticed, construction has begun at the Division 13 Bus Maintenance Facility adjacent to Union Station. The project is estimated to take two years to complete and is partially funded by a $52.2 million federal grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT). This project will consist of a multi-level parking garage, a maintenance building, bus fueling, bus washing, chasses wash and non-revenue vehicle washing, non-revenue vehicle fueling and maintenance and transportation offices and support areas. It is also important to note that the construction of the Division 13 Bus Maintenance Facility is anticipated to generate more than 1,200 direct and indirect jobs. Also, the completed project will set an example for sustainable design by using energy efficient and environmentally responsible building methods to meet Leadership in Energy & Environmentally Design (LEED) Gold Standards. To read the complete story posted on The Source, please click [here](http://thesource.metro.net/2012/10/29/construction-has-started-on-division-13-bus-maintenance-facility/?utm_source=rss&utm_medium=rss&utm_campaign=construction-has-started-on-division-13-bus-maintenance-facility).  <http://thesource.metro.net/2012/10/29/construction-has-started-on-division-13-bus-maintenance-facility/?utm_source=rss&utm_medium=rss&utm_campaign=construction-has-started-on-division-13-bus-maintenance-facility> | |
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