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| **Tuesday, October 9, 2012 121009-1**  **In this Issue:**   * **Media Spotlights Metro as Alternative to Beat High Gas Prices** * **Expo Phase 2 Light Rail Line Construction Notices** |
| **Media Spotlights Metro as Alternative to Beat High Gas Prices**  Today, channels 4 and 7 interviewed Media Relations and Metro Freeway Service Patrol staff about how Metro is helping motorists beat the high cost of gas. Staff noted that Metro is the best bargain in town – a $5 day pass is about what a gallon of gas currently costs – plus Metro has added new transit options such as the Expo Line and the Metro Orange Line extension to Chatsworth. Staff noted anecdotally that we’ve seen an uptick in ridership the past two weeks though there are no hard numbers yet. Metro added more service to CicLAvia over the weekend to meet demand and we also expect heavy use on Metro Rail when Endeavor is moved to Exposition Park this weekend. Reporters also asked if the Metro Freeway Service Patrol has seen more cars and trucks running out of gas. Staff said that they have not although it is important to note that service calls for those who run out of gas historically account for about 10 percent of breakdowns. Flat tires are a bigger problem. Finally, a channel 4 cameraman rode with a tow truck driver.  **Expo Phase 2 Light Rail Line Construction Notices**  Utility Work  As part of the construction of Phase 2 of the Expo Light Rail Line, work crews will be conducting utility work on Bundy Drive in the City of Los Angeles. Construction work will take place on Bundy Drive between Olympic Boulevard and Tennessee Avenue. This work is scheduled on Monday, October 15, 2012 through Friday, January 4, 2013. Day work hours are scheduled from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Night work hours are scheduled from 9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., Sunday through Thursday. To view the complete construction notice, please click [here](http://www.buildexpo.org/pdf_uploads/cons_bpxmkom31t.pdf).  Relocation of Existing Sanitary Sewer Line  As part of the construction of the Expo Line project, work crews will continue the relocation of an existing sanitary sewer line currently under Venice Boulevard in the City of Los Angeles. The work is being managed and performed by the general contractor Balfour Beatty Infrastructure Inc. (BBII), and its subcontractors. Construction work will take place near the intersection of Venice Boulevard and Robertson Boulevard. This work is scheduled through Sunday, November 11, 2012. Work hours are scheduled from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m., Sunday through Thursday; 12:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m., Fridays (Occasional as needed); and starting Sunday, October 21, 2012 Sunday hours will be scheduled from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. To view the complete construction notice, please click [here](http://www.buildexpo.org/pdf_uploads/cons_j84u0qvtaa.pdf).  <http://www.buildexpo.org/pdf_uploads/cons_bpxmkom31t.pdf>  [**http://www.buildexpo.org/pdf\_uploads/cons\_j84u0qvtaa.pdf**](http://www.buildexpo.org/pdf_uploads/cons_j84u0qvtaa.pdf) | |
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