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The Golden Pylon Awards were handed out to the Southern California's top traffic reporters today at Los Angeles Union Station. The awards honor the reporters who keep the region's traffic moving by promoting rideshare options such as carpools, vanpools, active transportation and public transportation. Reporters were also able to preview Metro's Get Out of Traffic License photo stand. Metro will be issuing Get Out of Traffic Licenses to commuters during Rideshare Week, Monday, October 6, 2014 through Friday, October 10, 2014. Media covering the event include China Press, Channel 2 and Channel 7. Stories may run tonight and during Rideshare Week.

Line 788 to Save Time on I-405 HOV Lanes

The Daily News has inquired about Metro's plans to provide new bus service that utilizes I-405 HOV lanes beginning December 15, 2014. Jon Hillmer, Interim Executive Officer of Operations Administration for Metro, reported that the new bus line will run 12-13 buses during peak weekday morning and afternoon periods between the San Fernando Valley and Westwood. The line will make stops at both the Van Nuys and Sepulveda Metro Orange Line Stations, and is expected to achieve 15-20 minute travel time savings compared with the current service. The cost for the new line is included in Metro's regular bus operations, as are modifications to other Rapid Bus lines included in the plan. Line 788 is part of a larger restructuring of service in the Valley, which is expected to provide improved service for local as well as regional trip-making. A story is expected to run tomorrow.

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