

Input Wanted

- **Proposed Development of a West Los Angeles Transportation Center is Topic of Public Meeting**

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MTA will hold a public meeting, Dec. 16, to gather input on the development of a proposed West Los Angeles Transportation Center.

The purpose of the transportation center is to provide improved public transit service in the central and western areas of Los Angeles County including large portions of the City of Los Angeles (including the communities of West Adams, Mid-City, South L.A., etc.) and the incorporated cities of Beverly Hills, Culver City, Malibu, Santa Monica and West Hollywood.

The West Los Angeles Transportation Center is proposed as an operations and maintenance facility to support a fleet of as many as 175 clean-fuel compressed natural gas (CNG) coaches.

MTA is in the process of preparing a draft environmental impact report (EIR) on the proposed project that will address environmental topics including traffic and circulation impacts, air quality issues, environmental noise, land use as well as aesthetics.

Following the public meeting, should additional issues arise, MTA will expand the scope of the Draft EIR, as necessary, to accommodate other areas of potential environmental effects.

The new center, proposed to be located on a 4.6-acre site on the east side of Jefferson Boulevard between Rodeo Road and National Boulevard in the City of Los Angeles, will replace an existing bus maintenance facility now located in Venice.

PUBLIC MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, Dec. 16

TIME: 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

LOCATION: Baha'i Center, 5755 Rodeo Road, Los Angeles

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Vantage point: at the west property line looking north. New facility will prevent trash dumping on Jefferson Boulevard and vacant street.



Vantage point: at the north property line looking east. New transportation center will be compatible with use of existing adjacent buildings.



Vantage point: at the north property line looking southwest.

The new facility will allow MTA to expand service from a centralized location in response to growing ridership and to do so with new CNG coaches replacing older diesel coaches.

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