

Award Marks Agency Partnership in Rail Overpass Project



Regional Transportation Planning Director Ray Maekawa (left), who participated in the Imperial Highway overpass project, and CEO Roger Snoble view the Caltrans Certificate of Merit accepted by Supervising Engineer Ed Richardson on behalf of MTA.

(Jan. 13, 2004) Caltrans District 7 officials honored MTA with a Certificate of Merit, last week, for its role in the successful completion of the Imperial Highway overpass in 2003.

The award praised MTA for “working and partnering with other agencies” during construction of a 2000-foot, six-lane bridge that lifts traffic over Willowbrook Avenue and the Metro Blue Line and Union Pacific tracks.

MTA, city and county officials officially opened the overpass during a Dec. 18 ceremony. The \$20 million project was funded by MTA, Caltrans and the City and County of Los Angeles.



The overpass construction project began in 1994 and was one of the first MTA-Caltrans joint projects. Before it was completed, the project was done in coordination with

construction of a new county child care center, new MTA maintenance facilities, city acquisition of a medical clinic and other properties.

Also cooperating in the project were MTA Facilities Maintenance, Bus Operations and the Rail Operations Center.

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