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## Third Annual Mobility 21 Transportation Seminar Set for August 3

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(May 11, 2004) Los Angeles' third annual transportation seminar – *Mobility 21: LA County Moving Together* – is scheduled Tuesday, Aug. 3, at the Hilton Burbank Airport and Convention Center.

The seminar, scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., will be sponsored by Metro and Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with the Auto Club of Southern California.



CEO Roger Snoble challenges Mobility 21 participants to help secure transportation funds for the region at transit coalition.

Mobility 21 is aimed at bringing together transportation providers, business leaders, elected officials, local municipalities, academia and labor to develop solutions to the transportation issues facing Los Angeles County.

Topics for this year's session include land use; the promotion of sustainable trade focusing on freight movement and the economy; transportation funding initiatives, and transportation and traffic safety. The day will also feature several keynote speakers, as well as a lunchtime panel with state and federal elected officials.

More than 500 people attended the inaugural Mobility 21 summit in 2002. That event established the Mobility 21 Coalition to provide a broad-based consensus group to speak on behalf of transportation priorities at the state and federal levels of government.

## 500-plus members

The coalition now includes more than 500 businesses, transportation providers, nonprofit groups, environmental organizations, transportation users and labor officials.

The coalition has been active in advocating for the restoration of Proposition 42 funds approved by voters in 2002. Funds from the sales tax on gasoline purchases are to be used for transportation purposes, but have been diverted to the state General Fund for other purposes.

In their visits to Sacramento earlier this year, members of the Mobility 21 Coalition met with key legislators and discussed state budget issues with top deputies from the California Department of Transportation and the California Transportation Commission.

Coalition members also traveled to Washington, D.C. to meet with

federal lawmakers to advocate in support of the reauthorization of TEA-21 and the Los Angeles County's transportation agencies appropriations requests.

For more information the Mobility 21 transportation summit or to learn more about the coalition activities, log onto [www.mobility21.com](http://www.mobility21.com).

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