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Crews coned off a portion of First Street at the 101 Freeway for construction work.



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## Construction Work Begins on Eastside Extension

- Utilities are being relocated in preparation for tunneling

Contractor crews are working in Boyle Heights to prepare the way for construction of the Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension.

Utilities are being relocated in the vicinity of First Street and I-101. Crews are excavating trenches to relocate sewer lines, storm drains and water pipelines in preparation for the 1.8-mile tunnel beneath Boyle Heights.

Two underground stations – Mariachi Plaza and Soto Street Station – will be located along the tunnel segment.

Meanwhile, crews are pulling up 250 feet of track south of the Metro Gold Line platform at Union Station. The area will be the ramp of a bridge Caltrans will construct over the 101 Freeway.



A construction worker maneuvers a pavement cutter along First Street