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Change of General Managers in 2 Service Sectors

- **David Armijo to Succeed McElroy in Westside/Central**
- **Richard Hunt to be SF Valley's New GM**

(Sept. 21, 2004) General Manager David Armijo will leave his post in the San Fernando Valley to succeed Jim McElroy, who resigned last week as general manager of the Westside/Central Service Sector.



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Richard Hunt, deputy executive officer for vehicle technology and support, will succeed Armijo as general manager of the San Fernando Valley sector. Hunt also will remain in charge of development and acquisition of vehicles, including the new articulated buses.

The transition will begin within the next two weeks. McElroy, Westside/Central general manager since September 2003, resigned effective Oct. 15. He plans to return to the Sacramento area to be with his family.

Will face major challenges

"I'm very pleased to be able to transfer David Armijo to the Westside/Central sector and to appoint Richard Hunt to lead the San Fernando Valley sector," said Deputy CEO John Catoe. "Both sectors face major challenges that include operation of many Consent Decree lines, construction of a new division, and the start-up of a totally new type of service on the Metro Orange Line. David and Richard are the right leaders to handle these challenges."

In a message to Valley sector employees, Armijo said, "I will miss the Valley and the team of professionals that have served with me since the inception of the sector, July 1, 2002. Thank you for the support you have provided me."

In his new post, Armijo will be responsible for operations at divisions 6, 7 and 10. He also will oversee the planned development of a new Division 6, slated for completion in December 2006, and the expansion of Division 10, now being designed.

Noting that he led the Westside/Central sector for some months in 2003, Armijo said, "I know the players in the sector and have a lot of respect for their talents and abilities. It will be a pleasure to work with them again and help them be a successful team."



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Will oversee Orange Line

As general manager in the Valley, Hunt will oversee divisions 8 and 15, as well as operations on the Metro Orange Line with the new articulated Metro Liner buses he was responsible for developing and purchasing.

Of the vehicle technology and acquisition team, Hunt said, "They're a great group that's good to work with. Their energy level is always very high."

"I'm honored to be joining a very talented team in the Valley," he continued. "I want to do what I can to support their very good work. As the first sector to be organized, they set the standard."

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