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## Metro Prepared for Saturday's Immigrants' Rights March in LA

- March expected to affect 53 bus lines, all rail lines

(Sept. 1, 2006) Metro Bus and Rail operations have developed extensive plans in preparation for Saturday's immigrants' rights march in downtown Los Angeles.

At least 53 bus lines, along with Metro Rail lines, will be affected by the march, which is scheduled to begin about 11 a.m. Marchers plan to assemble beginning about 10 a.m. at Broadway and Olympic, then march north nine blocks along Broadway to City Hall, between 1st and Temple streets for a rally.

According to the permit application filed for the march, organizers anticipate the march and rally could attract 30,000 to 50,000 or more people. Police plan to block off Broadway, Spring, Main and 1st streets around City Hall. The event is expected to conclude about 5 p.m.

Metro has worked with the LAPD's Special Events Unit and will have representatives from Bus Operations Control (BOC), Rail Operations Control (ROC) and the Sheriff's Transit Services Bureau stationed at a unified command post near Parker Center.

The BOC has planned detours that will keep Metro buses several blocks away from the march route. Detour signs directing customers to alternate boarding locations will be posted at bus stops near the assembly point, along the march route and in the rally area.

## TOSs and deputies assigned

Transportation operations supervisors will be stationed along Broadway, Los Angeles Street, 5th Street and Olive Street to monitor bus service and assist patrons. Sheriff's deputies will be assigned to crowd control at downtown Metro Rail stations.

Buses also will be staged, if required, at predetermined locations around the Central Business District to handle crowds leaving the rally.

Metro Rail plans to run six-car trains on both branches of the Metro Red Line and will make two extra trains available as needed. The Metro Blue Line will operate three-car trains on 12-minute headways and will have five extra trains available to increase service as needed.

The Metro Green and Gold Lines will operate regular 15-minute weekend service with two-car trains, but will have three extra two-car trains available on each line to provide more frequent service if required.

The 53 Metro Bus lines affected by the march are: 2, 4, 10, 11, 16,

18, 20, 21, 26, 28, 30, 31, 33, 38, 40, 42, 45, 48, 51, 52, 53, 55,  
60, 62, 66, 68, 70, 71, 76, 78, 79, 81, 83, 84, 90, 91, 92, 94, 96,  
333, 439, 444, 445, 446, 447, 460, 484, 485, 487, 490, 720, 740 and  
745.

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