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Welcome to the Blogroll: Steve Hymon, Fred "Camino" and The Source

By Damien Newton | Oct 21, 2009 | 10 COMMENTS

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hen Metro first announced it was going to open its own blog, the first questions everyone had were "who will be writing it," and "will they be independent or just Metro public relations officers." Given the choice of the writers they selected, the same two writers I would have picked if i were them, I think we have our answer. From the press release:

With contributors like Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Steve Hymon and car-less in L.A. blogger Frederick Dennstedt a.k.a. Fred Camino, *The Source* is updated throughout the day with key developments and unique viewpoints that will help the public keep tabs on what's being done to keep L.A. County moving and how taxpayers' transit sales tax dollars are being spent. *The Source* will showcase a steady stream of real time news about Metro and critical transportation issues as well as feature stories packaged with video, photos and other compelling visuals.

Woah! Camino and Hymon in one blog? Good work whoever in H.R. made that decision.

Mixed in with their writing will be some Metro press releases, a morning headlines section that is currently housed at The Metro Library as well as the contributions of the former Metro Rider and Bottleneck Blogger.

So far, Hymon has a couple of pieces up that qualify as "hard news" writing. His first looks at that letter from 14 Congress People asking for more projects to be sent to the federal government for funding and a F.A.Q on the Long Range Transportation Plan.

My only criticism thus far is that there's no comments section. C'mon guys, two-way communication is all the fad these days!







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Browne • 13 years ago Eric,

"I expect many guest postings from, amongst others, Browne and Randall!!"

Ha-ha...I'm sure that was a joke, but for those of you who don't know Ran and I writing for Metro will happen when pigs fly, hell freezes over and monkeys fly out of my butt. I doubt they will ask

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(Note: Some people found the wording of the poll weird, so I made a new poll and imported the answers from the first one. Sorry. – DN) I've never made any secret of the fact that I like The Source. As long as readers remember who publishes the website, I think it can be a [...]

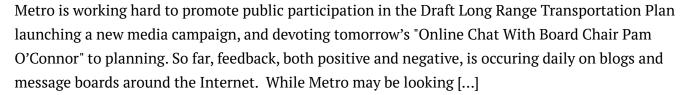
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By Damien Newton | Jul 16, 2012

There have been a handful of stories that I partially developed, but are on the back burner this week as I work to try and get out some stories that were researched last week, interview for the Long Beach writer position, and prepare L.A. Streetsblog's tax forms. So, with apologies to Steve Hymon, here are [...]

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