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MTA HOLDS COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS ON PROPOSED RAIL ALIGNMENT ALONG THE CRENSHAW/PRAIRIE CORRIDOR

MTA will hold a series of community workshops in an effort to receive public comment regarding various rail transportation proposals for the Crenshaw/Prairie Corridor.

Two community workshops are planned. The first is scheduled for Wednesday, May 8 at the Inglewood City Hall. Rooms "A" and "C", One Manchester Blvd., Inglewood.

A second workshop is scheduled for Thursday, May 9 at Consolidated Realty Board, 3725 Don Felipe Drive, Los Angeles. Hours of the two workshops will be between 7 p.m. and 9 p.m.

"We strongly encourage the public to attend these workshops to learn more about the project and to let us know what your community transportation needs are," said MTA Board Chairman Larry Zarian.

The Crenshaw/Prairie Corridor is a proposed 11-mile transportation improvement project intended to provide service along Crenshaw Blvd. and Prairie Avenue in Los Angeles, Inglewood and Hawthorne.

"The realization of a major transportation project on the Crenshaw/Prairie Corridor will have a tremendous impact on the economic growth and vitality of this area for the next 100 years. I encourage active community participation and support for this project, for they are key ingredients to its development." said Supervisor Yvonne Braithwaite-Burke.

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The corridor extends north-south from the planned station of the Metro Red Line at Pico/San Vicente to the Hawthorne Station of the Metro Green Line, or the Los Angeles International Airport.

This corridor is included in MTA's long range transportation plan as one to be considered if additional funds become available in the next 20 years," said MTA Chief Executive Officer Joseph E. Drew. "We believe rail transportation in this corridor could serve several major activity and employment centers."

MTA is now conducting a Major Investment Study (MIS) to continue development of the corridor and to make the project eligible for federal funds.

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