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MTA INVITES ANTELOPE VALLEY RESIDENTS TO A PUBLIC HEARING FEB. 18TH TO DISCUSS REGIONAL PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION NEEDS

The MTA will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 18th in Lancaster to receive ideas and suggestions for meeting public transportation needs in the Antelope Valley area. The hearing will be held in the Lancaster City Council chambers at 44933 North Fern Ave., beginning at 3 p.m. The hearing will conclude following the final speaker or after two hours, whichever is earlier.

The Antelope Valley area is eligible to receive a share of California Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 8 funds for transportation-related projects. The Transportation Development Act, passed in 1971, provides funds for cities that are not included in MTA's service area. Public hearings are held to determine if there are transportation needs that can be met with TDA funds. This hearing is the second held in the Antelope Valley — the first took place on Feb. 7th in Palmdale.

Following the hearing, and after receiving input from the Hearing Board and Social Services Transportation Advisory Council, the MTA will decide whether there are unmet transit needs in the Antelope Valley. If there are none, funds may be used for street and road improvements.

Those unable to attend the hearing may submit written comments to the MTA by March 4, 1998. Comments should be sent to: MTA Article 8 Hearing Record, One Gateway Plaza, Los Angeles, CA 90012, Attention: Patricia Chen (mail stop 99-22-3).

For information regarding TDA funds or the public hearing, contact Patricia Chen at (213) 922-3041.

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