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MTA TO CLOSE 101 FREEWAY N/B VENTURA BOULEVARD OFF RAMP TO BUILD IMPROVED FREEWAY ACCESS TO NEW METRO RAIL STATION

In preparation for building new overpass on and off ramps from the 101 Freeway to serve the new Metro Rail Universal City station, the MTA will permanently close the existing northbound 101 Freeway off ramp to Ventura Boulevard on Thursday, May 4, at approximately 7 p.m.

Construction of the new freeway bridge overpass and ramps is anticipated to last one year. A detour will be established from the Lankershim Boulevard off ramp or the Vineland Avenue off ramp from the 101 Freeway. Improvements have been made to the Vineland Avenue off ramp including new traffic signals and new lanes also have been added to Vineland at Ventura Boulevard to accommodate increased traffic flow.

The new freeway improvements will not only improve access to the Universal City Metro Rail Station but will also enhance overall traffic flow in Universal City, Studio City and surrounding communities.

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