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**Go Metro to National Championship Rose Bowl Game Wednesday,
January 4**

- Rain-muddied auxiliary parking lots limit parking availability

Football fans wanting to avoid the long walks and high cost of parking at the Rose Bowl for tomorrow's national championship game between the USC Trojans and University of Texas Longhorns can instead 'Go Metro.'

Rose Bowl officials have announced that parking will be limited on Wednesday at the Brookside Golf Course due to soggy ground. Fans are instead strongly encouraged to take the Metro Gold Line and shuttle service to the game. From the Memorial Park Metro Gold Line Station, fans can then walk west approximately two blocks to catch a Rose Bowl Shuttle at the Parson's Engineering parking lot, located at 100 W. Walnut Street (Corner of Union and Pasadena Avenues) for a short ride to the Rose Bowl gates. Shuttles are free and will run every five minutes starting at noon and will end two hours after the game. Kick-off is at 5 p.m.

Because Wednesday is a normal workday, heavy passenger loads into Pasadena are expected from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Metro will operate eight minute headways on the Metro Gold Line beginning at 9 a.m., and will supplement Metro Gold Line service with 15 additional articulated buses. Those buses will provide direct service from Union's Station's Gateway Transit Plaza (Bay #7) and end at Memorial Park Station.

After the game, the 15 buses will continue to supplement Metro Gold Line service by picking up people at Memorial Station and running directly to the transit plaza. Metro crowd control staff will direct passengers to the buses as required.

Alternately, several parking facilities along the Metro Gold Line can be used to get to Memorial Park Station:

- Sierra Madre Villa Station (149 North Halstead at Colorado Boulevard/Foothill Boulevard)
Limited Parking: 950 total: 850 free, 100 reserved spaces.
- Del Mar Station (230 South Raymond Avenue at Del Mar Boulevard/Dayton Street/Fair Oaks Avenue)
Parking: 600 paid spaces
- Fillmore Station (95 Fillmore Street at Raymond Avenue/Arroyo Parkway)
Parking: 131 free and reserved spaces

- Heritage Square/Arroyo Station (3545 Pasadena Avenue, At French Avenue [one block south of North Figueroa Street])
Parking: Approx. 145 free spaces
- Lincoln Heights/Cypress Park Station (370 West Avenue 26 at Lacy Street [adjacent to the Golden State Freeway and Pasadena Freeway interchange])
Parking: Approx. 91 free spaces

The public may also park in downtown Los Angeles and board the Metro Gold Line at its Union Station terminus:

- Gateway Transit Center (801 N. Vignes Street at Cesar Chavez Avenue)
Parking: Approx. 2,000+ paid spaces

Regular Metro cash fares are \$1.25 for a one-way trip and \$3 for an all-day pass. To obtain Metro Bus and Rail timetable information, visit www.metro.net or call 1-800-COMMUTE.

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