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Construction of Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension Continues along Third Street

Beginning, Saturday, May 19, Metro construction crews will re-configure overnight the southbound and northbound traffic flow on Eastern Avenue at the Third Street intersection in East Los Angeles. Construction of the right-of-way project will begin Monday, May 21, for the Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension. The work is expected to last approximately six weeks.

Work had been scheduled from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday. Eastbound and westbound traffic on Third Street will be maintained. However, to minimize the impact to the community, cones, concrete barriers and electronic boards will help re-direct vehicle and pedestrian traffic. Access to homes and business and to emergency vehicles will be maintained at all times.

The Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension, which will feature eight stations (two underground), will span six miles from Union Station in downtown Los Angeles via the Arts District/Little Tokyo and Boyle Heights to Atlantic/Pomona Boulevards in East Los Angeles. It is scheduled to open in late 2009.

Residents who need more information should contact Metro Community Relations at (213) 922-2259.

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