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Public Invited to Participate in Metro Westside Extension Transit Corridor Study Meetings in October

- Public Comment Requested

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) will be conducting several meetings in October to obtain public comment on the agency's Westside Transit Corridor Study, which will analyze various transit alternatives and environmental impacts for the possible extension of the Metro Red Line or Metro Purple Line to West Los Angeles.

Agency consultants will evaluate potential environmental impacts for several transit modes, including Bus Rapid Transit on dedicated lanes, at-grade or aerial Light Rail Transit, subway or aerial heavy rail.

All meetings are from 6-8 p.m. and will be held at the following locations:

- **Tuesday, October 9**, Emerson Middle School, 1650 Selby Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90024
- **Thursday, October 11**, Pan Pacific Recreation Center, 7600 Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90036,
- **Tuesday, October 16**, Wilshire United Methodist Church, 4350 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90005
- **Wednesday, October 17**, Beverly Hills Public Library Auditorium, 444 N. Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, CA 90210
- **Thursday, October 18**, Santa Monica Public Library, 601 Santa Monica Boulevard, Santa Monica, CA 90401

Metro's Alternatives Analysis Study is the first step in the environmental clearance process. The Metro Board of Directors will determine whether to move the project forward to subsequent environmental review stages based in part on the results of this study.

Possible destinations along the Westside Extension Transit Corridor include the Fairfax District, West Hollywood, Beverly Hills, Century City, Westwood/UCLA, West Los Angeles and Santa Monica.

The meetings will provide the public a first opportunity to learn about the several alternatives in detail and provide input. Metro will provide a review of the proposed project goals and objectives, present opportunities to speak with project representatives, display maps and photographs of various transit alternatives and allow the public's submission of written and verbal comments.

Those unable to attend the meetings can submit their comments by writing to Mr. David Mieger, AICP, Project Manager and Deputy Executive Officer, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro), Mail Stop: 99-22-5, One Gateway Plaza, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Comments may also be submitted through the "Contact Us" page of the project web site at www.metro.net/westside, or by phone on the project information line at (213) 922-6932. Comments should be received no later than Thursday, Nov. 1, 2007.

For more information on these meetings or the study, visit the Metro Web site at www.metro.net/westside.

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