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## **Metro to hold public update meetings on Metro Westside Extension Transit Corridor Study**

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) will be conducting several upcoming meetings to update the public on the agency's Westside Extension Transit Corridor Study. The study, which evaluates ways to improve mobility on the Westside of Los Angeles, will be held at the following locations:

**Thursday, January 31:** Los Angeles County Museum of Art-West, 6-8 p.m., LACMA-West Terrace Room, 5th Floor, 5905 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA, Metro Service provided on Lines 20, 720, 920, 217 & 780. Validated parking is available in the lot on the southeast corner of Wilshire & Spaulding.

**Tuesday, February 5:** Westwood Presbyterian Church, 6- 8 p.m., 10822 Wilshire Boulevard (at Malcolm Avenue), Los Angeles, CA. Metro Service provided on Line 20, 720 & 920. Free parking available at the location

**Wednesday, February 6:** Plummer Park, 6-8 p.m., 7377 Santa Monica Boulevard (at Plummer Place), West Hollywood, CA, Metro service provided on Line 4. Free parking available at the location.

Metro held early scoping meetings in October 2007 to help guide the development of alternatives to address the growing traffic and congestion in the 38 square-mile study area. Nearly 500 individuals attended these meetings and more than 450 formal comments were submitted by the close of the comment period.

Metro has now reviewed all public comments and, based on this feedback, has developed a number of alternatives for further analysis including various modes, alignments and station locations. These upcoming meetings will update the public about the results of the scoping process, the emerging alternatives, and next steps in the study's progress.

Content presented at these meetings will be identical, so interested parties should attend at the time and location most convenient for them. An open house will be scheduled from 6-6:30 p.m, followed by a presentation between 6:30-7 p.m. Discussion will follow from 7-8 p.m. For additional information or questions, please visit the Westside Extension Transit Corridor Study website at [www.metro.net/westside](http://www.metro.net/westside) or contact the project information line at 213.922.6934.

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.

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