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Metro to Hold Regional Connector Transit Corridor Study Update Meetings Oct. 16, 21

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) will be conducting a final round of community update meetings for the Alternatives Analysis phase of the Regional Connector Transit Corridor Study October 16 and 21.

The project study examines linking the future Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension in the vicinity of the Little Tokyo/Arts District Station and the 7th Street/Metro Center Station, terminus for the Metro Blue Line and future Expo Line.

The public is encouraged to review the agency's recommendations and receive a status report on the study and potential schedule for future steps at the following meetings:

- **Thursday, October 16**, Los Angeles Central Library, 630 W. 5th St., Los Angeles, CA 90071, 12 - 1:30 p.m.
- **Tuesday, October 21**, Japanese American National Museum, 369 E. 1st St., Los Angeles, CA 90012, 6:30 - 8 p.m.

The content presented at these meetings will be identical, so those attending a session should seek a time and location most convenient for them:

- Open House: noon – 12:30 p.m. and 6:30 – 7:00 p.m.
- Presentation: 12:30 – 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 – 7:30 p.m.
- Question and Answer Session: 1:00 – 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Metro will provide an update to the public of its analysis to date, including draft recommendations. It is expected that Metro staff will present the Alternatives Analysis Report and its recommendations to the Board at its November/December meeting, which may then authorize a full environmental review.

Metro has completed two rounds of community meetings in November 2007 and February 2008. Based on the analysis and public input received at these meetings, Metro has identified the alternatives to be recommended for further study through and Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement.

Metro is now studying this project corridor in efforts to better accommodate expected ridership increases when the Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension opens in 2009 and the Expo Line opens in 2010, and to support the resurgence of downtown Los Angeles as a business, cultural and residential hub.

For additional information or questions, please visit the Regional Connector Transit Corridor Study website at metro.net/regional-connector or contact the project information line at 213.922.7277.

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