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## Metro Purple Line Extension NEWS

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### Second Major Station Construction for L.A. Subway

## **Metro to Close A Portion of Wilshire Boulevard at Fairfax Avenue in February for 18 Consecutive Weekends to Conduct Decking Operation for Purple Line Extension Project**

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) is ready to begin building the underground station at the intersection of Wilshire Boulevard and Fairfax Avenue as part of the Metro Purple Line Extension Project.

Once the Los Angeles Board of Public Works approves the construction plan, work would begin on Friday, February 10. Portions of Wilshire Boulevard in this area will be closed during 18 consecutive weekends for the decking operation between 8 p.m. Friday and 6 a.m. Monday. Residents and motorists are advised to plan ahead, follow street detours and allow extra time to get through the area.

Metro's contractor Skanska Traylor Shea, a Joint Venture (STS), will excavate three portions of Wilshire Boulevard and the adjacent sidewalks and replace them with concrete deck panels that will act as a temporary street surface while underground station excavation continues below.

No decking work will be conducted during the regular work week. Local access for businesses and residents will be maintained. Sidewalk access will be maintained with intermittent closures.

The 18-weekend closure schedule will consist of three separate decking phases at Wilshire/Fairfax:

- Ten weekend closures from Spaulding Avenue to Fairfax Avenue.
- Four weekend closures at the intersection of Wilshire Boulevard and Fairfax Avenue.
- Four consecutive weekend closures from Fairfax Avenue to Crescent Heights Boulevard.

Each phase of decking will have a different set of traffic plans, detour routes and mitigations.

For a list of specific detour routes and maps for each phase of decking work, visit Metro's project website at [https://www.metro.net/projects/notices/notice\\_purpleline\\_Fairfax\\_Decking/](https://www.metro.net/projects/notices/notice_purpleline_Fairfax_Decking/).

Decking work for the future station at Wilshire and La Brea Avenue was completed last fall. The first section of the Metro Purple Line Extension Project now under construction will add four miles

of subway from the Wilshire/Western Purple Line Station going west and will include three new stations at Wilshire/La Brea, Wilshire/Fairfax and Wilshire/La Cienega. This section of the subway extension is scheduled to open in 2023.

For questions or concerns related to this work or any Purple Line Extension construction activity, the public can call Metro's 24/7 project hotline at (213) 922-6934. Alternately, they can email the project team at [purplelineext@metro.net](mailto:purplelineext@metro.net).

For more information about the Metro Purple Line Extension Project, visit [metro.net/purplelineext](http://metro.net/purplelineext).

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