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Valley Transit Milestone

L.A. Officials To Announce Light Rail is Coming to the San Fernando Valley to Connect Van Nuys and Sylmar/San Fernando

WHAT: L.A. Mayor and Metro Board Chair Eric Garcetti, L.A. City Councilmembers Krekorian, Rodriguez, Martinez and a host of local and state elected officials will meet at the Van Nuys Metro Orange Line Station to announce the Metro Board's approval of light rail as the official technology for the East San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor Project now under environmental review. When built in 2027, the new rail line will span 9.2 miles and include 14 new stations between the Van Nuys Metro Orange Line Station and Sylmar/San Fernando Metrolink Station. More than \$400 million in SB-1 gas tax funds are contributing to the project. The Board's action marks the planned return of street-level local stop rail service in the Valley since Pacific Electric Red Cars last traveled on portions of Van Nuys Boulevard in 1952.

WHEN: Friday, June 29, 2018
8:30 a.m. -- Press Conference
9 a.m. -- Alignment bus tour for news media

WHERE: Van Nuys Metro Orange Line Station
6060 Van Nuys Boulevard
Van Nuys, CA 91401

Media Van Parking available in station's park & ride Lot

WHO: Eric Garcetti, L.A. City Mayor and Metro Board Chair
Brad Sherman, U.S. Congressman
Bob Hertzberg, State Senator
Adrin Nazarian, State Assembly member
Paul Krekorian, L.A. City Councilmember, Metro Board member
Monica Rodriguez, L.A. City Councilmember
Nury Martinez, L.A. City Councilmember
Fran Inman, Chair, California Transportation Commission
Brian C. Annis, Secretary, California State Transportation Agency
Community stakeholders

VISUALS: Event will be held in the park & ride lot of the busy Van Nuys Orange Line Station. Sixty-foot buses stop at the station every few minutes during the morning rush hour. Following formal remarks, officials will board a special Metro bus for a guided tour of the planned rail alignment, which will include destinations and station stops. The bus will travel down Van Nuys Boulevard and San Fernando Road to Sylmar Station and back.

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