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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## Metro to Hold a Link US Virtual Industry Forum on March 26

Metro will hold a virtual industry forum to present an overview of the Link Union Station (Link US) Project and discuss the Construction Manager/General Contractor integrated delivery approach for the project.

The virtual Lifesize event will take place from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday, March 26, 2021. Link:

https://stream.lifesizecloud.com/extension/4705878/f8100875-7902-4a31-a4aa-5611ef5221d0

The Link US project aims to transform Los Angeles Union Station into a modern transit and mobility hub, offering an improved passenger experience to meet the region's long-term transportation needs.

The agenda includes an overview of the project, preliminary engineering design, third party coordination work, changes to the CM/GC approach, draft statement of work, and stakeholder requirements.

The Link US Project will transform how regional rail operates in Southern California with run-through track capability and the ability to accommodate a new high-speed rail service. Link US will modernize Los Angeles Union Station into a world class transit and mobility hub, offering improved passenger experience to help meet the region's long-term transportation needs.

# Agenda of the day:

- Link US Presentation
- Overview
- PE Design
- Metrolink Requirements
- Caltrans Requirements

- CMGC Update
- Preconstruction Services
- Cost Estimating & Scheduling
- Subcontracting Plan Small Business Requirements by Elke Campbell
- Procurement Overview by Fred Origel
- Discussion Items
- Questions & Answers by all
- Closing

## **Link US Project Update**

In July 2019 Metro completed the CEQA environmental clearance on the Link Union Station (Link US) project. Based on available funding to date of approximately \$950 million, the Link US project will be implemented in two phases, Phase A and Phase B.

**Phase A** of the project will include two new run-through tracks on a new viaduct that will accommodate up to nine run-through tracks over the US-101 freeway, as well as right of way acquisition, utility relocation, street improvements, and active transportation improvements. Phase A of the Link US project is funded and will enhance transit connectivity in the Southern California region and is the first step toward bringing high-speed rail to Los Angeles.

**Phase B** is the full build-out of the Link US project which is currently not funded. Phase B will significantly increase rail service capacity at Los Angeles Union Station by up to 60% to accommodate the planned growth of commuter and inter-city rail services along with the future California high-speed rail service.

For additional information about the Link US Project, please visit the project website at metro.net/linkus or call (213) 922-2524.

For more information regarding this event, please contact: Olga Lopez at (213) 418-3446 or via email: lopezo@metro.net

#### **About Metro**

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) is currently providing lifeline service for essential trips and frontline workers. Metro continues building the most ambitious transportation infrastructure program in the United States and is working to greatly improve mobility through its <u>Vision 2028 Plan</u>.

Metro has proudly pledged to the American Public Transportation Association (APTA) <u>Health and Safety Commitment Program</u> to help ensure the safe return of transit riders as the U.S. recovers from the COVID-19 pandemic.

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