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Non-Revenue Division 4 Visit with Maintenance Staff

On Friday, I had an opportunity to visit employees and staff at Non-Revenue Maintenance Division 4 in Downey. The division was celebrating the retirement of Equipment Maintenance Supervisor Fred Vincelet. It was my pleasure to meet with Division 4 staff during their luncheon to congratulate Fred for serving at Metro for over 40 years. I met with mechanics and service attendants, many of whom have provided Metro with decades of service and have invaluable experience. I want to thank Division 4 Senior Director Adam Robertson and the staff for welcoming me and opening discussions with our frontline employees.

American Society for Public Administration Southern California Chapter Annual Awards

Last Thursday, I attended the 71st Annual Award Luncheon for the American Society for Public Administration (ASPA), Southern California Chapter, at the California Endowment where Metro received two separate awards. Metro Chief Policy Officer Elba Higueros accepted the Tom Bradley Equal Opportunity Award on behalf of the Metro Women and Girls Governing Council for their work in successfully promoting equal opportunity in the workplace. I was very pleased to accept on behalf of the agency, the Clarence A. Dykstra Award for Excellence in Government, an award presented for significant contribution to the practice of public administration. This was an excellent luncheon hosted by ASPA Southern California Chapter President Adrian M. Velazquez Vazquez and emceed by City of Santa Monica City Manager Rick Cole.

For over 70 years, the Southern California Chapter of ASPA has hosted an annual awards banquet to recognize individuals and organizations that have made a significant and sustained impact in the field of Public Administration in both the professional and academic realms. Metro is very humbled and appreciative to be a part of this legacy.



Procurement Postings

AnsaldoBreda Trainline Junction Box (IFB) - Small Business Prime

Metro will release an Invitation for Bid (IFB) to procure Trainline Junction Boxes. This solicitation is open to Metro Certified Small Businesses only. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Thursday, July 18, 2019 through Monday, September 30, 2019.

The P2550 AnsaldoBreda Trainline Junction Box is a part of the coupler and its function is to house the drum switch which in conjunction with the coupler pin and wiring allows for communication between the trains when coupled together. This procurement will develop a core bank which will allow maintenance of the junction box without interruption of revenue service.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Sherri Jackson, Sr. Manager, Contract Administration at (213) 922-1025.

Transaction and Use Tax Forecast and Recovery Services (RFP)

Metro released a Request for Proposals to procure Transaction and Use Forecasting and Recovery Services for Metro's Treasury Department. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from July 10, 2019 through October 17, 2019.

The selected Contractor shall provide forecast of transaction and use tax revenues for Proposition A, Proposition C, Measure R and Measure M for a rolling 5-year (20 quarters) period. This forecast is to be updated quarterly with actuals.

Selected Contractor shall also Conduct initial and on-going Transaction and Use tax reviews in order to identify and correct collection, allocation, distribution, or any other types of errors found and thereby generate previously unrealized tax revenue for Metro. The initial review should extend back to the earliest point where taxes may be legally or reasonably recovered.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by James Nolan, Principal Contracts Administrator, nolanj@metro.net at (213) 922-7312.

Tier 1, Tier 2 and Conditions Assessment (RFP)

Metro released a Request for Proposals (RFP) to obtain professional services for a Tier 1, Tier 2 and Conditions Assessment. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from July 15, 2019 through September 23, 2019.

Metro is seeking a qualified contractor who specializes in parking structure restoration, repairs and engineering to provide a Tier 1, Tier 2 and Conditions Assessments for nine (9) Metro owned and operated parking garages. The purpose of this study is to assess and expand the life of Metro garages and bring parking facilities to current standards.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Erica Rodriguez-Duvergel at (213) 922-1064.

Construction Notices: Regional Connector, Purple Line Extension, I-5

Regional Connector: Deck Panel Removal for Excavation on Flower St

Excavation of the tunnel box below Flower St continues in downtown Los Angeles as part of efforts to connect the Regional Connector Transit Project to the existing 7th St/Metro Center Station. In order to effectively build the tunnel box, crews will remove segments of the road deck panels on weekdays during daytime hours, between 5th and 6th St with minimal impacts to the traveling public. To learn more, click [here](#) for the full construction notice.

Regional Connector: Excavation on Flower St Continues Southward

Work continues steadily below Flower St, with rebar and concrete installation between 4th and 5th St. South of 5th St, excavation and utility hanging is moving steadily towards the future connection to 7th St/Metro Center Station. Ultimately, some 108,000 cubic yards of soil will be excavated from beneath Flower St. Work will continue from May 8, 2017 and continue through summer 2019. Beginning Monday, June 3rd, 2019, additional work hours will be added from 2 pm to 11 pm.

Purple Line Extension Project: Utility Potholing below Wilshire Blvd

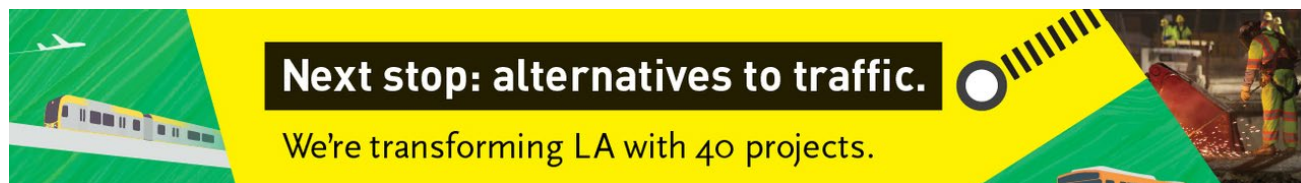
Utility potholing began to identify existing utilities below Wilshire Blvd. between Beverly Dr. and N. Crescent Dr. All work will be completed during non-peak hour traffic times. Lane closures and turn restrictions on Wilshire Blvd. will be required for this work. Two lanes will always be maintained on Wilshire Blvd. both eastbound and westbound. Communication efforts will be ongoing to provide stakeholders sufficient notice prior to work starting in specific areas.

Caltrans Interstate 5: All Construction Updates [here](#).

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~ John Dryden

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