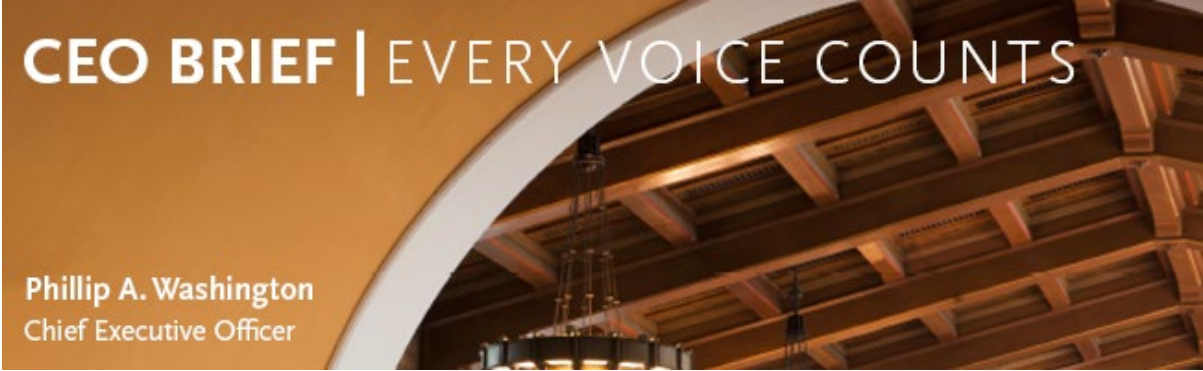




CEO BRIEF | EVERY VOICE COUNTS

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Wishing Everyone Safe and Happy Holidays

In a year of challenges like no other, I want to thank the Metro family for the perseverance and the ability to adjust to swift and drastic changes in our daily lives. When the pandemic began earlier this year, my initial thoughts were that we need to protect the health and safety of our employees and our riders. I was also committed to continuing to operate our system for all essential workers – police, firefighters, medical workers and other first responders. I am proud that we continued to run our service through the darkest days of the pandemic and I am proud to have preserved every job at this agency. However, the pandemic has taken a personal toll on our agency, our families and our community. We lost two operators and one contractor to COVID-19; although they are gone, they are not forgotten and shall be remembered as frontline heroes of the pandemic.

We all miss gathering with our families and friends this time of year, and feelings of loneliness afflict many. However, I believe if we collectively do our part to wear masks, make only essential trips outside the home and maintain safe distances these next couple of months, there is a light at the end of the tunnel. I know it can be difficult to maintain a positive outlook these days, but as retired 4-star Army General Colin Powell, famously said, “Perpetual optimism is a force multiplier.” With hard work and positivity, we will get through this. Have a safe and Happy New Year – and many thanks to our Operations staff who keep

essential business moving.

Procurement Postings

There are no procurement postings for the week ending December 25, 2020.

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

Regional Connector Transit Project - Historic Broadway Station Street Restoration

Regional Connector Constructors (RCC) will implement an extended closure of 2nd St between Spring St and Broadway for deck removal and street restoration as early as October 30, 2020 through Summer 2021. To view the notice of work click [here](#).

Purple Line Extension Project: K-Rail Work Zone at Wilshire Blvd./San Vicente Blvd.

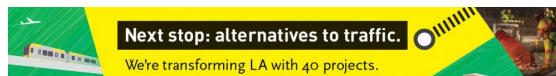
The K-Rail work zone within the center lanes of the Wilshire Blvd./San Vicente Blvd. intersection is anticipated to remain in place through December 2020. The enclosure will support ongoing tunnel and mitigation work underneath Wilshire Blvd. All left turns within the Wilshire Blvd./San Vicente Blvd. intersection will be closed while the K-Rail is in place. To view the notice of work click [here](#).

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

"The secret of change is to focus all of your energy not on fighting the old, but on building the new."

~ Socrates

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