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### **House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee Will Hold Hearing on Section 1909 Report**

A key congressional committee will hold a hearing later this week on a report to be issued tomorrow by “The National Surface Transportation Policy and Revenue Study Commission.” The House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee will hold its hearing on Thursday to examine the Section 1909 report. The hearing will be webcast at 8:00 a.m. (PST) at the following link: [www.transportation.house.gov](http://www.transportation.house.gov). The commission, created under Section 1909 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), will release its report at the National Press Club in Washington, DC. We will closely monitor this congressional hearing and will share with the Board the reaction of Members of Congress to the Section 1909 report.

### **Staff Recognized for Their Contributions to Contract Management**

The LA Gateway Chapter of the National Contract Management Association (NCMA), which is based at Metro and in its third year of operation, was honored as a Gold Chapter at the NCMA Mid-Year Leadership Conference in Las Vegas, NV on January 12, 2008. The Chapter received the Walter R. Graalman Award, which represents the highest achievement for Chapter excellence during the 2006-2007 Program Year. It recognizes the efforts put forth to provide chapter members with valuable on-site training and professional education in the field of acquisition management.

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Two employees, Ed Velasquez, who serves on the National Board and Lonnie Mitchell who serves on the National Board of Advisors, were also recognized for their leadership and contributions to contract management. In addition, several contract management employees received recognition for their authorship of professional articles and presented, as Professors for A Day, real world contract issues to students enrolled in Cal Poly Pomona's Contract Management Degree Program.

LA Gateway Chapter was chartered in 2004 with the intent of serving as an acquisition center of excellence in which federal, state and locally funded agencies may come together to exchange knowledge in a neutral forum within the professional community. The Chapter regularly host nationally recognized leaders in the acquisition profession as speakers at its monthly lunchtime meetings. The Chapter was previously recognized with Quality (2005), and Bronze (2006) Chapter Awards. These awards recognize the significant professional contributions to the field of contracting made by its members.

### **Media Relations Issues News Release for February Metro Service Sector Public Hearings**

Media Relations distributed a [news release](#) this morning noting the upcoming public hearings scheduled in early February on proposed service modifications planned for June 2008. The release announces that Metro's service sectors will hold seven public hearings, including one on Saturday, February 9, 2008 at the Gateway building. The release lists the service changes being proposed as well as the implementation of six Metro Rapid Lines. The release encourages the public to attend the public hearings to offer their input on the proposed changes.

### **Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension, [Notice of Full Street Closure](#) – First Street Bridge**

As part of the continuing construction activities for the Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension, starting Monday, January 21, 2008, the Contractor will construct the guideway across the intersection of Mission Road and First Street.

**What:** Closure of northbound and southbound thru lanes on Mission Road at the First Street intersection. Right turns will be allowed.

**When:** Beginning on January 21, 2008. Closure will be continuous on a 24-hour basis for approximately one month, weather permitting.

**Where:** Mission Road at First Street.

**What to expect:**

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- Truck drivers are advised not to take the North and South 101 Freeway off-ramps at Mission Road. Instead take the 101 Freeway off-ramps at First Street, travel westbound on First Street, to southbound Utah, and to westbound Third Street. The Fourth Street off-ramps are also an option.
- For access to North 101 Freeway on-ramp proceed east on First Street.
- For access to South 101 Freeway, North 5 Freeway, and South 5 Freeway on-ramps proceed east on Fourth Street.

Note: To mitigate a lengthy impact to the community, this closure is being conducted in conjunction with the one month closure of the First Street Bridge.

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