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Metro's New 'Green' Building Debuts in El Monte

Today, I joined Board Chair Pam O'Connor, Director Fasana, Assembly Member Mike Eng, Chief Operations Officer Carolyn Flowers and General Manager Jack Gabig in the grand opening ceremonies of Metro's San Gabriel Valley Service Sector's new "green" building in El Monte. The building is "ecologically green," constructed to achieve a silver rating by the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED). The new structure surpasses the State of California's strict standards for building energy use by 25% and water consumption standards by 50%.

Various media outlets attended today's event including KTLA, The San Gabriel Valley Tribune, the Chinese Daily News, Mid-Valley newspapers, Chinese L.A. Daily News, The China Press, Sing Tao Daily News and Taiwan Daily News. Media Relations also distributed a news release regarding the new building. Positive news stories regarding the celebration of this major milestone in sustainable development are expected to run tomorrow and over the weekend.

Upcoming Deadlines for Transportation Enhancement (TE)-STIP funded Call for Projects

Staff is notifying local project sponsors of the upcoming deadlines for Transportation Enhancement (TE) funded Call for Projects programmed in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

Local project sponsors who have TE funds programmed in the FY 2008 year of

the STIP (Attachment 1), must meet an important February 19, 2008 deadline, or risk having their projects lapsed by the California Transportation Commission (CTC). Adopted STIP guidelines require that project sponsors receive an allocation vote from the CTC no later than June of the fiscal year in which their funds are programmed. An allocation request with appropriate supporting documentation must be transmitted to us no later than February 19, 2008, so that staff may have time to review the materials and if appropriate, provide concurrence in sufficient time to meet the Caltrans' deadline for the June 2008 CTC meeting. If the project is not ready to use the programmed funding, a one-time extension of up to twenty (20) months with appropriate justification may be requested by the same deadline.

Local project sponsors, who have TE funds programmed in the FY 2009 or later years of the STIP (Attachment 2), may request a STIP Amendment to re-program their funds to future years on a one-time basis with our concurrence. We strongly urge project sponsors to diligently review their projects and determine whether their funds need to be reprogrammed to future years. Project sponsors must submit their STIP Amendment requests to LACMTA by February 19, 2008. Only requests that provide the following supporting documentation will be considered: (1) A cover letter that justifies the request (2) Revised Project Programming Request form.

Board members are encouraged to contact the sponsors listed on both attachments to remind them of these critical deadlines.

Metro Rail System [Service Alerts](#)

Metro Gold Line

System maintenance is scheduled to take place on the Metro Gold Line between Fillmore and Mission from 6:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, January 26-27. Northbound trains to Sierra Madre Villa will depart Union Station on its regular schedule until 6:25 a.m., then every 20 minutes until 2:45 p.m., returning to a regular schedule at 3:00 p.m. Southbound trains to Union Station will depart Sierra Madre Villa at 4:41 a.m., 4:59 a.m., 5:19 a.m., then every 20 minutes until 2:39 p.m., then 2:57 p.m. and returning to a regular schedule at 3:12 p.m.

Metro Blue Line

System maintenance is scheduled to take place on the Metro Blue Line on Saturday, January 26, 2008 from the opening of service until 7:00 a.m. Beginning at 5:08 a.m. from the Transit Mall, northbound trains to Los Angeles will run every 20 minutes until 6:50 a.m., then on its regular schedule. Beginning at 5:00 a.m. from 7th/Metro Center, trains will run every 20 minutes until 7:00

a.m., then on its regular schedule at 7:22 a.m.

Next Week's Procurement Postings

IFB to Procure Bus PMP Filters

Metro will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) next week to procure Bus PMP Filters. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from January 30, 2008, through June 30, 2008.

This product will support all Metro bus facilities.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Tanya Allen, Procurement Planning Administrator, at (213) 992-1018.

Upcoming CEO Meetings & Events

Next week, Chair O'Connor and I will be in Washington D.C. to share our FY2008 legislative program with the Congressional Delegation and the House and Senate Appropriations and Authorizing Committee members. Upon my return in Los Angeles, I will be participating in the Self Help Coalition Workshop. The Self Help Counties Coalition is made up of 19 member counties that manage voter approved transportation sales tax measures. Finally, I will be joining many of you in the LA Chamber's 119th Inaugural Dinner.

Since I will be out of the office beginning Monday, January 28, 2008 through Thursday, January 31, 2008, Terry Matsumoto, Chief Financial Services Officer and Treasurer, will act on my behalf with full signature authority. He can be reached at (213) 922-2473.

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