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Media Reports on I-405 Delays

The Los Angeles Times ran a front page story today on delays and added costs for the I-405 Sepulveda Pass Improvements Project. Other media outlets picked up on the story. Media Relations staff participated in interviews with Channels 2/9, Fox News, KFI and KNX radio and expect other calls this morning. Staff acknowledged the delays and costs but also noted that the design build process shaved up to seven years off the traditional freeway construction approach and the accelerated delivery saved taxpayers significant dollars in construction costs and travel delays. They also noted that the project is being opened up incrementally for the benefit of residents and motorists, alike, as work is completed.

Media Inquiry on Wilshire Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project

The Beverly Press has inquired about the status of Metro's Wilshire BRT Project. Project staff reported that our agency is preparing to open the first 1.8-mile route segment between South Park View Street and Western Avenue in June 2013. Additional work by the City of Los Angeles along a second segment of the Wilshire BRT project, between Western Avenue and San Vicente Boulevard, is expected to begin in July of this year with a completion date of late 2014. Our agency is also conducting a countywide BRT study to identify other potential corridors for peak period bus lanes throughout the Los Angeles County area. Staff hopes to present the Board with additional corridor recommendations from the study at the June board meeting. The story is expected to run today.

Crenshaw/LAX Transit Corridor Construction Notice

Exploratory potholing

As part of advance utility relocation activities for the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Corridor Project, Metro's contractor, will conduct exploratory potholing activities of the existing sewer lines to help locate and identify underground utilities along the alignment. Construction work will take place on Tuesday, April 30, 2013. The anticipated work hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., weather permitting. To view the complete construction notice, please click here.

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