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Today, the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure approved its Subcommittee assignments for the 113th Congress. Los Angeles County Congressional Delegation members - Representatives Grace Napolitano (D-32) and Janice Hahn (D-44) will both serve on the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit. This Subcommittee, which will be led by chairman Thomas Petri (R-WI) and ranking member Peter DeFazio (D-OR). will be charged with helping craft the next authorization bill to replace MAP-21 when it expires in 2014. Representative Napolitano will also be serving on the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials and the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment. Representative Hahn will also be serving on the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation and the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment. Southern California Representative Gary Miller (R-31) will also be serving on the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, in addition to serving on the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials and the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment. Our agency looks forward to continuing to work closely to advance our Board-approved Legislative Program with all Members of Congress who serve on the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. A full list of subcommittee assignments may be found here.

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The Brookings-Rockefeller Project on State and Metropolitan Innovation recently identified the Top 10 State and Metropolitan Innovations to Watch—actions undertaken by states and metropolitan areas in 2012 that seem ripe for meaningful impact in 2013 and beyond. Our Board-approved America Fast Forward is among the innovations to watch in 2013. To view the full report, please click here. For the CNN.com opinion article which cites our America Fast Forward Initiative, please click here.

State Route 710 North Alternatives Analysis and Community Meetings

The Alternatives Analysis for the SR-710 project was released late Friday afternoon. The

first of three community meetings is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. today, Wednesday, January 23, 2013 in Pasadena. The other two community open houses are scheduled for Thursday, January 24, 2013 at 6 p.m. in San Marino, and Saturday, January 26, 2013 at 6 p.m. in Los Angeles. For meeting locations, times and dates, please click here. For the story on the Source blog, including links to the executive summary of the Alternatives Analysis, along with maps of the five alternatives proposed, please click here.

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The Sunday, January 20, 2013 issue of the Los Angeles Times featured an Op-Ed piece titled "L.A. Imagined: The City That Isn't." The article highlights past visions of Los Angeles and looks at how much different the city would be today had they been realized. One proposal discussed at length is the 1925 Kelker, De Leuw and Co. plan for 241 miles of elevated and surface light rail to accommodate the increased congestion in our rapidly-growing city. Our Metro Transportation Library and Archive provided information and access to the map for the curators who authored the article. It is available online and a color image was featured prominently in the print edition. To view the full Los Angeles Times op-ed piece and photo gallery, please click here. Additionally, Metro's Library and Archive staff is working with the curators to mount an upcoming exhibit at the Los Angeles A+D Museum titled "Never Built: Los Angeles." The exhibit has created a lot of buzz and will, if successfully launched, display several other resources from Metro's collection. For more information on the "Never Built: Los Angeles" exhibit please click here.

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