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## Bone Remains Discovered Adjacent to Division 13 Construction Site

This morning, construction crews performing utility relocation excavation related to the Metro Division 13 Bus Maintenance and Operations Facility Project uncovered human remains, one bone, possibly a tibia. The on-site archeologist's preliminary evaluation described the bone to be "mineralized" which may indicate this to be an archeological find. Further evaluation by the Los Angeles County Coroner's Office is required to confirm if this is a forensic, or an archaeological find.

Work was immediately halted where the bone was found; archaeologists flagged the area. The area is currently covered by steel plates. Metro personnel is in the process of following all protocols to ensure compliance with Federal and State laws associated with this type of construction excavation discovery. This includes direct contact to the FTA, Los Angeles County Coroner's Office, Native American Heritage Commission and the City of Los Angeles (LADOT/Public Works).

The bone, measuring approximately 11.8 inches long, was found in a corner by a worker digging with a shovel at a depth of about 19' below ground level, in a 6' x 6' area amidst sands, rounded gravels and patches of clay. The bone is presently located in the AECOM lab at 515 Flower Street, awaiting analysis by the Coroner's office. The Coroner will make a determination of whether it is a forensic or archaeological case, and then if archaeological, whether it is likely Native American. The Coroner would then notify the Native American Heritage Commission, who would designate the most likely descendant.

## Metro Awarded Nearly \$1.2 million from MSRC to Run Dodger Stadium Express Bus Service for 2013 and 2014

Metro received \$1,169,000 in grant funding March 21 from the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC) to run greener bus service between Dodgers Stadium and Union Station. The clean air grant to operate the Dodger Stadium Express during the 2013 and 2014 baseball seasons is made possible, thanks to support from Los Angeles County Board Supervisor and Metro Board Chair Michael D. Antonovich, a member of the MSRC, and Metro MSRC member Steve Veres. The bus service begins Friday, March 29, 2013 with the Dodger/Angel exhibition game.

The Dodgers Stadium Express connects baseball fans for scheduled home games at Dodgers Stadium, capping the 2013 season with 82 scheduled games. For the first time the grant funds a dedicated lane on Sunset Boulevard for the bus service to get passengers to the games faster. Metrolink also will provide train service this season to four cross-town rivalry games against the Angels in May and Padres in August, as part of the grant award. Last season, the Dodger Stadium Express carried more than 136,000 passengers and reduced approximately 1.33 million vehicle miles traveled. Surveys found

that more than 84 percent of Dodger Stadium Express customers used public transit to arrive at Union Station and connect with the Dodger Stadium Express.

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