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EDITORS NOTE: REVISED

MTA CONSTRUCTION IN UNIVERSAL CITY AND THE CLOSURE OF THE HOLLYWOOD FREEWAY HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL MARCH 11

MTA construction of a new overpass adjacent to the Metro Red Line Universal City subway station that would have necessitated the weekend closure of the Hollywood (101) Freeway Sunday Mar. 4 has been <u>cancelled</u> due to possible weather conditions predicted for the weekend.

Work involving the construction of a new overpass at Ventura Boulevard will include the placement of steel girders during three consecutive weekends. Brutuco will perform the work, under contract to MTA.

The northbound lanes of the Hollywood (101) Freeway that were to be closed to traffic from 2 a.m. to 8 a.m. on Sunday, Mar. 4 will <u>not</u> take place because of weather conditions. The work will be rescheduled for the following Sunday, March 11.

North bound traffic on the Hollywood (101) Freeway will exit at Lankershim Boulevard, travel right on Lankershim then left on Universal Terrace Parkway and onto the north bound Hollywood Freeway using a temporary on-ramp. This detour will remain in effect during the construction periods listed above.

Construction of the new freeway overpass and ramps once completed later this year will improve access to the Universal City Metro Rail Station and enhance overall traffic flow in the Universal City, Studio City and surrounding communities.

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