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Tunneling to begin this Summer

L.A. Metro to Celebrate Unveiling, Naming of Tunnel Boring Machines for Metro Purple Line Extension Project

WHAT: L.A. Mayor Eric Garcetti will join other elected officials, community leaders and stakeholders to celebrate the unveiling of the tunnel boring machines and award local student prize winners for Metro's Purple Line Extension TBM naming and art contests. More than 1,700 votes from across L.A. County were cast in the student contests. Metro is scheduled to begin tunneling underneath Wilshire Boulevard between Koreatown and Beverly Hills this summer.

WHEN: 9 a.m.
April 25, 2018

WHERE: Wilshire/Fairfax Construction Yard*
715 South Ogden Drive
Los Angeles, CA 90036

** Media van parking available on Ogden Street*

WHO: Eric Garcetti, L.A. Mayor & Metro Board Chair
David Ryu, L.A. City Council Member
Julian Gold, Beverly Hills Mayor
Stephanie Wiggins, Deputy CEO, Metro
Local community groups

VISUALS: The TBM shield and cutter head will be on display within Metro's active construction yard. Officials will reveal the winning artwork on the TBM shield. Winning students will be on-hand for one-on-one interviews. Reporters can also get photos and video of the future Wilshire/Fairfax station excavation.

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