



Meeting: Wednesday, January 30, 2013, 6:43 – 8:46 p.m.

1. Introductions (and information about our nonprofit public charity). 6:43 – 7:05

We need your membership gift to continue our important advocacy work. Please help!

2. Speaker: **Don Sepulveda**, Metro; **Mark Hardymont**, Bob Hope Airport. 7:05 -- 8:25

3. Brief updates 8:26 – 8:46

a. Internship Program:

1. Transportation Intern Tiger Team Project. (deliverables list).
2. Rail Span of Service & Frequency Project.
3. Orange Line Betterments.
4. JEM Line.

b. Metro Board [Meeting Review](#): Thursday, January 23, 2013:

1. XpressWest & (X-train agreements) / High Desert Corridor.
2. Union Station Master Plan / Station Renaming.
3. LOSSAN Corridor JPA: Metro approves revisions.

c. Other Transit Operators / Issues:

1. Torrance / Long Beach / Culver City / Santa Monica / Riverside.
2. LAX FlyAway Meetings & Issues: Westwood, Van Nuys.
3. GRID Project: Reorganizing Goods Movement: Ship to Rail to Truck.
4. Gateway Cities Strategic Plan.
5. Foothill Gold Line Extension: Iconic Bridge Structure Completed.

d. Metrolink [Meeting Review](#): Friday, January 11, 2013:

1. 2013 Budget / Increased AV Service.
2. High-Speed Rail Funds / Locomotive, Car Improvements.
3. Schedule revisions: March/April 2013.
4. Adoption of Locomotive and Equipment Fleet Plan, CTC Funds.

e. Amtrak *Coast Starlight* / LOSSAN & Federal Funding Issues:

1. LOSSAN Corridor Report / New platforms at Union Station.

f. High-Speed Rail, next steps:

1. Property acquisition, Run Through Tracks, Book-ends.

g. Expo Line progress: Engineering / Construction Phase 2 Contract issued:

1. Phase II Construction begins on bridges; utility relocations continue.

h. Crenshaw Line progress:

1. Team bids due soon.

4. Project update:

- a. Complete Streets & A Better Inland Empire.
- b. Office Volunteers Needed / Intern Applications Accepted.
- c. Sam's, Kaiser, APTA, City GPF grant.
- d. Metrolink MAX Program: Simplified Service Plan (meetings continue).
- e. Newsletter (need articles for 86th issue, 85th issue out).

5. Treasurer's Report.

6. Membership renewal updates.

7. Board member announcements.

8. Next general meeting **Wednesday, February 26, 2013** @ Metro Gateway Headquarters.

Featured Speakers: Airport Connections, Roderick Diaz

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Transit

Preserving the Tax Credit Ceiling for Transit Users (currently \$240 per month) preserved in 2011, expired in December 2011, and renewed for 2013.

Transit Oriented Developments (Wilshire/Vermont Red Line, Lincoln Heights Gold Line, Del Mar Gold Line, North Hollywood Red/Orange Lines)

* ***Measure J Fails at the Polls***

* ***Free Parking and Effects on Business***

* ***CSUN Transportation Tiger Team: Completing Sylmar Street Corners***

Bus

BRU and the Consent Decree

The SFV Orange Line

* ***Orange Line extensions to Bob Hope Airport Metrolink/Amtrak Station, Van Nuys Blvd.***

* ***Ventura County to Spend State Funds on Transit***

Metro Rail

East LA Gold Line Construction Updates

Expo LRT Phase 1 and 2 updates (What's going on and What's Next)

Foothill Gold Line updates

Downtown Regional Connector "Expo Phase 3" updates

Crenshaw Blvd Light Rail

* ***Westside Subway: Choices for Subway Stations***

* ***Opponents Fail to Stop Rail at the Courts***

* ***Metro to Build Pedestrian Overpass at Universal City Red Line Station***

* ***TOD issues: Villaraigosa Orders Department Heads to Work Together***

Regional Rail

Union Station Run-Through Tracks Project Updates

* ***Harbor Subdivision ROW in Metrolink's Strategic Plan***

* ***Metrolink to Fund Additional, Permanent OC Service***

* ***Voters Approve Prop 1B: \$4.5 Billion in Corridor Mobility Improvement Account***

* ***Amtrak Funding; 110 mph test in Illinois***