



## Metro Goldline Eastside Extension: New Year update.

### **Contractor working to minimize impacts.**

Over the next few months, Eastside LRT Constructors, Metro's contractor responsible for building the Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension, will be installing soldier piles to support tunnel construction at 1<sup>st</sup> Street and Boyle Avenue. The company's innovative techniques, which were reviewed by the City of Los Angeles, the Review Advisory Committee and local community stakeholders, will improve the construction schedule by reducing the time needed for this work from 34 weeks to approximately 17 weeks (if weather permits).

Soldier piles create the underground structure that supports the excavation, making way for the initial stages of station excavation and tunneling. This is one of the first major construction work activities on the project, and will lead to placing a tunnel-boring machine underground for tunnel excavation.

### **Annual Mariachi Festival Attracts Thousands**

Metro was proud to participate in this year's Mariachi Festival at 1<sup>st</sup> and Boyle, and will continue to work with the community and contractor to provide a safe venue for future festivals. This year, Metro and Eastside LRT Constructors ensured that potholes were filled, street plates were safely placed and no construction activity took place on the day of the festival. Metro was one of the many partners for the event, providing the community an opportunity to view the model and rendering of the future Mariachi Plaza Station.

### **Metro Partners with YOM and Opens Field Office**

Located at 1505 E. 1st Street in Boyle Heights, Metro's Community Relations field office shares space with the Youth Opportunity Movement, an organization dedicated to promoting youth achievement. YOM works with families and community partners to create opportunities that help youth reach their education, employment and personal development goals. Metro's Community Relations staff can be reached at 213.922.2259.



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