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**TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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**SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF LINE 305**

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Transportation  
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### ISSUE

The Consent Decree requires the MTA, in consultation with the Joint Working Group (JWG), to implement new service to facilitate access to County-wide job, education and health centers for the transit dependent community. In accordance with this requirement, MTA Line 305 (Crosstown Bus) will begin service on Sunday, January 30, 2000.

### BACKGROUND

As part of the Consent Decree, the MTA must implement a plan to provide additional service to improve access by the transit-dependent community to County-wide educational, employment and health care opportunities. In consultation with the Joint Working Group, a New Service Program was developed consisting of eighteen new or revised bus routes. Twelve of these routes were previously implemented as a pilot program between December 1997 and March 1998. The remaining six lines, including Line 305, are scheduled to be implemented in FY 2000, or later, as part of the New Service Program.

Line 305 will operate limited-stop service between the Watts/Willowbrook area and Beverly Hills, operating a diagonal routing through several heavily transit-dependent neighborhoods. The diagonal routing is designed to minimize transfers, while providing access to the Metro Blue and Green Lines, as well as a number of connecting bus routes. Service is provided to several medical facilities, including Martin Luther King, Jr. Hospital and Cedars-Sinai Hospital.

Line 305 service is scheduled to operate seven days a week between the hours of 5:30 a.m. - 11:00 p.m. During peak hours, service operates approximately every 20 minutes. During midday and weekend hours, service operates every 30 minutes. Service will be provided free to the public on an introductory basis between January 30 and February 29, 2000.

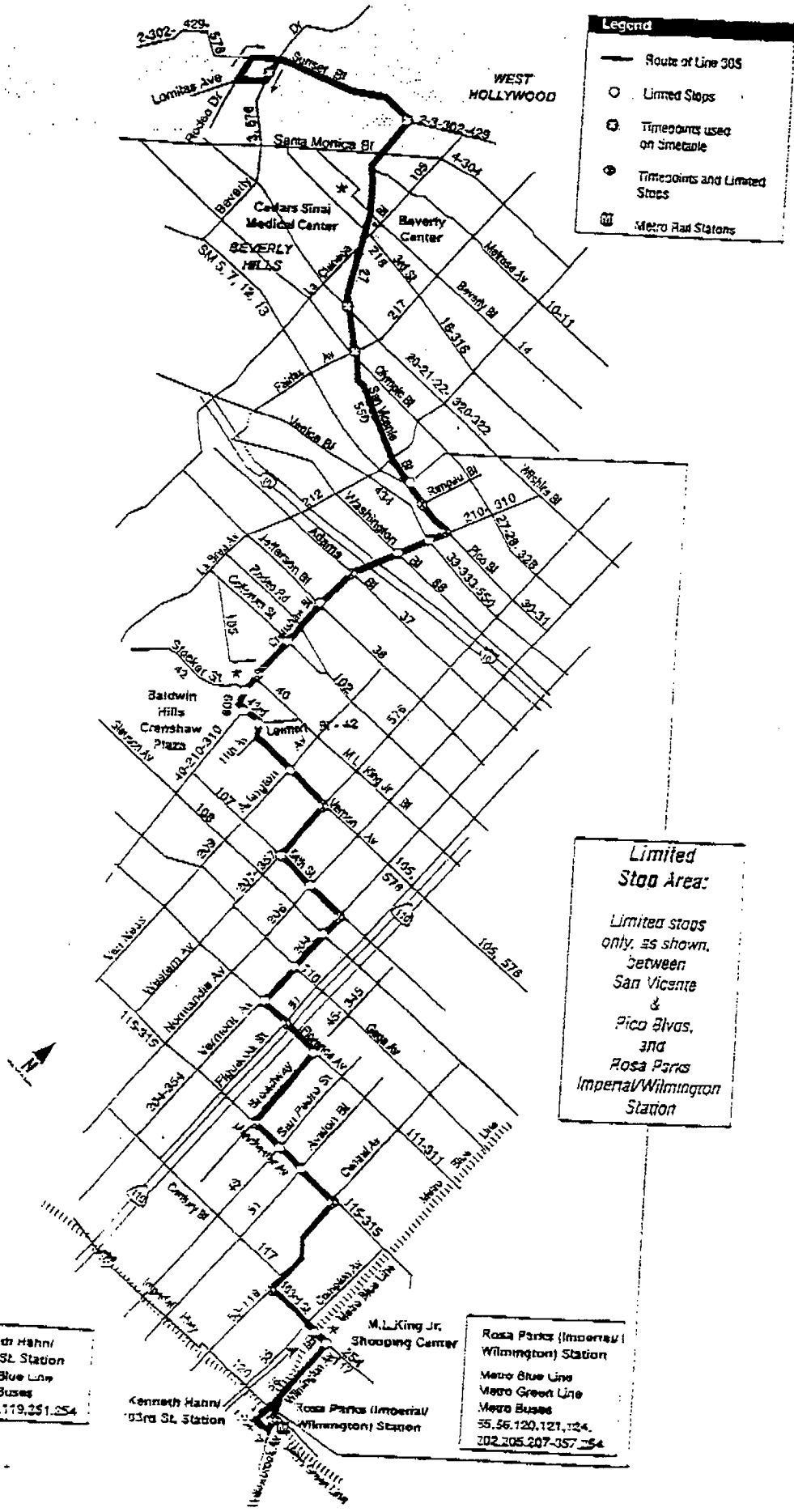
**NEXT STEPS**

Staff will continue to coordinate with the JWG in evaluating Line 305 service to determine how well it meets the goals of the Consent Decree, to determine if service adjustments are warranted, and to monitor the cost-effectiveness of the service. The evaluation criteria to be used is consistent with the evaluation of earlier Pilot Program services. A report will be submitted to the Board in April, 2000 to review the status of Line 305 service, and to report progress on the implementation of the remaining routes in the New Service Plan.

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Attachment:

Line 305 Route Map



**Legend**

- Route of Line 305
- Limited Stops
- ⊙ Timepoints used on Smetable
- ⊙ Timepoints and Limited Stops
- ⊠ Metro Rail Stations

**Limited Stop Area:**

Limited stops only, as shown, between San Vicente & Pico Bldvs. and Rosa Parks Imperial/Wilmington Station

Kenneth Hahn/  
103rd St. Station  
Metro Blue Line  
Metro Buses  
58, 117, 119, 251, 254

Rosa Parks (Imperial/  
Wilmington) Station  
Metro Blue Line  
Metro Green Line  
Metro Buses  
55, 56, 120, 121, 124,  
202, 205, 207, 357, 354

Kenneth Hahn/  
93rd St. Station

M.L. King Jr.  
Shopping Center