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SUBJECT: HOLLYWOOD BOWL BUS SERVICE

ISSUE

Metro lacks the resources to directly operate Hollywood Bowl service for the 2006 season.

DISCUSSION

For the past several years, Metro operated bus service to the Hollywood Bowl from park-n-ride lots located in Westwood and Torrance. This service was provided by Metro under contract with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works.

For the 2006 Hollywood Bowl season, Metro will not be able to provide bus service to the Bowl due to a number of operational difficulties. These difficulties include a shortage of bus operators, a shortage of parking space at several bus operating divisions required to house extra buses for Consent Decree service, as well as the impact on reduced service sector staffing resources associated with bus service supervision and bus service scheduling.

While Metro lacks the resources to directly provide service to the Hollywood Bowl this season, Metro staff will coordinate with the Department of Public Works in identifying alternative service options to ensure that Hollywood Bowl service is provided from these two locations. These options include working with service providers that presently provide bus service under contract for Metro.

It is anticipated that after the restructuring of bus service through the Metro Connections project, many of the issues impacting Metro's ability to provide Bowl service will be resolved. At that point Metro intends to again continue participation in the provision of bus service to the Hollywood Bowl.