

REGIONAL TRANSIT MEDIA ADVISORY

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RT AND CRC HOST GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY FOR BLUE LINE LIGHT RAIL PARKING STRUCTURE

What: The Sacramento Regional Transit District (RT) and Cosumnes River College (CRC) will host a groundbreaking ceremony for a new multi-level parking structure at the east entrance to the college on Monday, November 7, 2011, at 2 p.m.

The \$31.5 million five-level, four-story parking structure consists of 2,000 spaces that will serve both students of CRC and RT light rail passengers when the Blue Line to Cosumnes River College light rail extension is completed in June 2015.

“The start of construction for this parking structure demonstrates RT and CRC’s determination to push forward on the Blue Line project during difficult economic times,” Mike Wiley, RT General Manager/CEO, stated. “In addition to the benefits for students and RT passengers, the parking structure will also create approximately 100 jobs in the Sacramento region.”

The Blue Line to CRC is one of the highest priority transit projects in the region and, once complete, will extend light rail 4.3 miles south from the existing terminus at Meadowview Road.

“We are excited to be starting the construction on this parking structure,” said CRC President Deborah Travis. “Part of our strategic plan is grounded on providing access to public transit routes and this joint facility is the first step. We are pleased to partner with Regional Transit on this project and look forward to all the benefits it will provide to our students and community.”

When: **Monday, November 7 – 2 p.m.**
Arrive at 1:45 p.m. to position cameras for best photo opportunities

Where: **Cosumnes River College – East Entrance (Bruceville Road)**
8401 Center Parkway, Sacramento

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Who: Speakers:

- **Congresswoman Doris O. Matsui** – U.S. House of Representatives
- **Don Nottoli** – Supervisor, County of Sacramento; Chair, RT Board of Directors
- **Bonnie Pannell** – Vice Mayor, City of Sacramento; Vice Chair, RT Board of Directors
- **Pamela Haynes** – Trustee, Los Rios Community College District
- **Brice W. Harris** – Chancellor, Los Rios Community College District
- **Deborah Travis** – President, Cosumnes River College
- **Mike Wiley** – General Manager/CEO, Sacramento Regional Transit District

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