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## ANNOUNCEMENT

### **Passenger Service to Begin to Arcadia, Monrovia, Duarte, Irwindale and Azusa on Saturday, March 5, 2016**

The countdown to passenger service has begun! Today, Metro announced that service will begin on the recently completed Foothill Gold Line from Pasadena to Azusa starting Saturday, March 5, 2016.



*Caption: Local officials joined members of the Metro Board at the press conference to hear today's historic announcement.*

Today's announcement was made by Metro Chairman, Los Angeles County Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas and Metro CEO Phil Washington at a press conference held at Metro headquarters and follows last month's on-time, on-budget substantial completion of the nearly \$1 billion, six-station light rail project by the Foothill Gold Line Construction Authority.

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**About the Foothill Gold Line** – The Foothill Gold Line is a nearly \$2 billion, 12-station extension of the Metro Gold Line light rail system, being overseen by the Foothill Gold Line Construction Authority, an independent transportation planning and construction agency created in 1998 by the California State Legislature. The project is planned in two segments – Pasadena to Azusa and Azusa to Montclair. The Pasadena to Azusa segment was fully funded by Los Angeles County's Measure R. Measure R is funding the majority of the cost associated with the advanced engineering and environmental work currently underway for the Azusa to Montclair segment, which will ready the project for a design-build procurement in 2017. The Construction Authority is currently seeking the \$1 billion needed to construct the Azusa to Montclair segment.