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ANNOUNCEMENT

Foothill Gold Line Wins Four Industry Awards

Pasadena to Azusa light rail extension recognized for engineering, construction, sustainability and project management, including Outstanding Rail Project of the Year

Monrovia, CA – The Foothill Gold Line Construction Authority has recently been awarded with four distinguished industry awards for the nearly \$1 billion, 11.5-mile Foothill Gold Line light rail extension from Pasadena to Azusa. The extension, which was completed and turned over to Los Angeles County Metro in September 2015 and began passenger service in March 2016, required three design-build contracts. Altogether, design and construction included six new light rail stations; five parking facilities; a LEED Gold certified, 24-acre Operations Campus; 28 miles of light rail track, including four miles of relocated freight track; two dozen bridges, including the award-winning iconic Gold Line Bridge; 14 at-grade street crossings; power systems; and much more.

The four awards were given by various prestigious construction and engineering industry associations, which recognized the Construction Authority and the Foothill Gold Line project in the areas of engineering, construction, sustainability and project management. They include:

- **Outstanding Rail Project of the Year** - American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), Metropolitan Los Angeles Branch
- **Sustainability Excellence Distinction Award** - Western Council of Construction Consumers (WCCC)
- **Exceptional Project Achievement Award** - Western Council of Construction Consumers (WCCC)
- **Excellence in Dispute Avoidance & Resolution Award** - Dispute Resolution Board Foundation (DRBF)

The Foothill Gold Line from Pasadena to Azusa first broke ground in June 2010 and was completed on time and under budget with 2.4 million work hours logged and an excellent safety record. Construction Authority partners for the various segments of the project included Kiewit, Parsons, Skanska, AECOM, Hill International and Webcor. The project was fully funded by Los Angeles County's Measure R half-cent sales tax that went into effect in 2008.

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About the Foothill Gold Line - The Foothill Gold Line is a \$2 billion, 12-station extension of the Metro Gold Line light rail system. The project is 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 Glendora to Montclair. The six station Pasadena to Azusa segment was completed on time and on budget in September 2015, and turned over to Los Angeles County Metro for operation. The project was fully funded by Measure R, which is also funding the majority of the cost associated with the advanced conceptual engineering work currently underway for the Glendora to Montclair segment. The Construction Authority is currently seeking the \$1.2 billion needed to construct the Glendora to Montclair segment and anticipates the majority of the needed funds will come from the Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan (Measure M), a sales tax measure being placed on the November 2016 ballot. If approved by voters, the project could break ground as early as 2017 and will take 5-6 years to complete.