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# Foothill Gold Line Azusa Downtown & APU/Citrus College Stations Dedication Saturday, September 19, 2015

WHO: Residents / Businesses / Future Riders / Local Stakeholders

WHAT: The Foothill Gold Line Construction Authority will be dedicating both the Azusa Downtown Station and APU/Citrus College Station in a ceremony this Saturday, September 19, 2015 at 9:30 a.m. This final dedication concludes a series of ceremonies held in August and September that celebrate the upcoming substantial completion of construction for the nearly \$1 billion, six-station Foothill Gold Line light rail project from Pasadena to Azusa. The project is on time and on budget to be turned over to Metro for pre-revenue service in late-September. Metro anticipates starting pre-revenue service in Fall 2015, and passenger service in Spring 2016. An opening date for passenger service has not yet been determined; however, during the Arcadia Station dedication, Metro CEO Phillip Washington revealed that the agency would announce a date for passenger service to begin within 30 days of project turn-over.

Join the City of Azusa, Azusa Pacific University, Citrus College, elected officials at all levels of government, the Construction Authority, Metro, and special guests as we dedicate the Azusa Downtown Station and APU/Citrus College Station and celebrate the Foothill Gold Line's upcoming substantial completion.

# WHEN/WHERE:

## Azusa Downtown Station & APU/Citrus College Station Dedication

Saturday, September 19, 2015 9:30 a.m. - Ceremony

Azusa Downtown Station

780 N. Alameda Avenue, Azusa, CA

See below for event parking information. Reserved parking available for attending media.

#### **CONFIRMED:**

U.S. Representative Grace Napolitano, 32nd Congressional District

U.S. Representative Judy Chu, 27th Congressional District

Metro Board Member, Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti

Metro Board Member, Los Angeles County Supervisor Hilda Solis, District 1

Metro Board Member, Los Angeles County Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich, District 5

Azusa Mayor Joseph R. Rocha and Mayor Pro Tem Edward J. Alvarez

Azusa Council Members Angel A. Carrillo, Robert Gonzales and Uriel E. Macias

Metro First Vice Chairman and Foothill Gold Line Construction Authority Board Member, Duarte City Council Member John Fasana

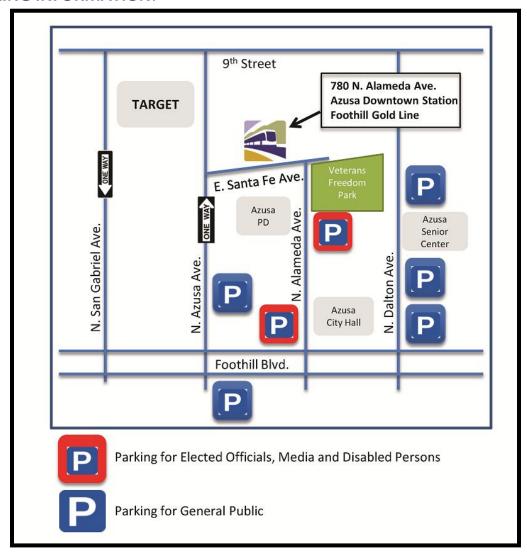
Foothill Gold Line Construction Authority Board Chairman, Doug Tessitor and Vice Chairman, Claremont Mayor Pro Tem Sam Pedroza

Metro Board Member, Glendale Mayor Ara Najarian

Metro CEO, Phil Washington
Foothill Gold Line CEO, Habib F. Balian
Local elected officials representing the Foothill Gold Line corridor cities

All representatives will be available for interviews following dedication ceremony.

#### **EVENT PARKING INFORMATION:**



For information on how to get to the station dedication by bus, please contact the appropriate service provider:

- MTA (Metro): Please call (323) GO-METRO (323-466-3876) or go to www.metro.net
- Foothill Transit: Please call (800) RIDE-INFO (800-743-3463) or go to www.foothilltransit.org

## **About the Foothill Gold Line:**

The Foothill Gold Line light rail 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 Azusa to Montclair. The Pasadena to Azusa segment is fully funded by Los Angeles County's Measure R, and includes the six stations being dedicated in August and September 2015. The Construction Authority is currently seeking construction funding to complete the Azusa to Montclair segment.

For more information, visit: www.foothillgoldline.org