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SHORT TERM PREPARATORY WORK BEGINS JULY 23 FOR FUTURE SEWER CONNECTION

LOS ANGELES (July 18, 2007) – Preparatory grouting work for future connection of the planned Vermont Relief Sewer to the existing East Central Interceptor Sewer will begin July 23, City of Los Angeles Board of Public Works President Cynthia Ruiz, announced today. “Department of Public Works Bureau of Engineering contract crews will grout soil within the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) right of way on Exposition Boulevard just west of Vermont Avenue.”

Work will take approximately two and one half months to complete. “Crews will work Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and possibly some weekend and night hours,” said Ruiz. “The Murray Company has been contracted to do the work and will provide crews.”

Most of the work will take place within the MTA right of way. The project site will remain fenced for safety and pedestrians are urged not to enter the construction work zone.

“The City of Los Angeles appreciates the public’s cooperation and will do everything possible to complete this work quickly and safely,” said Ruiz. “We apologize in advance for any traffic delays that might occur during the duration of this project.”

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