

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO HOLD A SCOPING MEETING FOR THE
LANCASTER METROLINK STATION CLOSURE
PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT**

This notice is to advise responsible and trustee agencies as well as interested parties and those potentially affected by the project that the City of Lancaster is currently preparing an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the potential closure of the Lancaster Metrolink Station (project description provided below). According to Public Resources Code Section 21083.9, a scoping meeting is required for any project that is of statewide, regional, or areawide significance.

Project Description: The City of Lancaster is proposing to close the existing Lancaster Metrolink Station in order to address issues that are occurring in the downtown Lancaster area. The existing station would be locked and fenced off. Service to and from Lancaster by Metrolink would cease, leaving only the Palmdale station open for Metrolink riders in the Antelope Valley. Two alternative options are being considered in the Initial Study for current riders. The first option is for riders to drive to and board the train at the Palmdale station. The second option being considered is to establish a bus/van service between the Lancaster station and the Palmdale station for Metrolink riders, essentially utilizing the existing facility as a park and ride lot. The parking areas currently associated with the Lancaster Metrolink station would remain open for public use.

Scoping Meeting: In accordance with Public Resources Code Section 21083.9, the City is holding a public scoping meeting to solicit input with respect to the environmental concerns associated with the proposed project. The scoping meeting is scheduled to be held in the community room at American Heroes Park on Wednesday, November 5, 2014 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The community room is located at 642 West Jackman, Lancaster, CA 93534. All public agencies and interested individuals are encouraged to attend.

Copies of this public notice are available at the following locations:

- The Lancaster Public Library located at 601 W. Lancaster Boulevard, Lancaster, CA
- City of Lancaster offices located at 44933 Fern Avenue, Lancaster, CA
- Online at <http://www.cityoflancasterca.org/Index.aspx?page=110>

Comment Period: The scoping meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 5, 2014. If you are unable to attend the scoping meeting; please provide written comments by Wednesday, November 5, 2014. You may submit written comments to the address below and they should be received or postmarked no later than November 5, 2014.

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