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Cash fare returns to Big Blue Bus system

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Following community push back and concerns over equity in response to its cashless fare pilot program, Big Blue Bus will once again accept cash fares.

This change comes alongside several other new fare policies designed to make sure the transportation system is affordable and accessible to all riders. Other changes include free bus to bus transfers for one-way trips taken within a two hour window, raising the age of free rides from 4 to 5, acceptance of the Metro 1-Day pass as fare, and a new cheaper 10-ride pass pricing.

"The fare policy changes were developed with significant input from our community, and promote safe, convenient, and equitable access to our system, by lowering fares, maintaining health and safety improvements on board, reducing boarding and travel times, and re-aligning fare products with customer preference," said Ed King, Santa Monica Department of Transportation Director.

The cashless fare pilot program began in February 2021 in an effort

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SMPD says no known evidence of multiple mail carrier attacks

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From the time the Santa Monica Police Department (SMPD) first learned of the U.S. Mail disruption in Mid-City — via a letter posted to social media by a resident — officers have been working on tracking down a trail of alleged attacks on postal carriers along 14th Street route.

On Tuesday afternoon, SMPD released a statement on its website essentially declaring they are not aware of any further attacks beyond the one they had already disclosed, which occurred on Jan. 19.

"Yesterday [Monday], representatives of the SMPD spoke with the postmaster who wrote the suspension letter; we were referred to an Inspector in the US Postal Inspection Service (USPIS) for additional information about other attacks on mail carriers in that area and possibly by the same subject," according to the information posted by the SMPD. "The Postal Inspector did not believe any reports were made to the USPIS by mail carriers and are working now to locate any other postal workers who may have been victims and obtaining information for an investigation."

When reached for comment on the investigation, the USPIS sent a

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Villanueva issues transit security ultimatum



Matthew Hall

METRO: The Sheriff wants more control over security operations on Metro trains and buses.

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Metro rail and bus riders have grown accustomed to seeing a range of uniformed security personnel as their commutes wind them through the greater Los Angeles area. Here on the Expo Line platform at Fourth Street, khaki-clad LASD sheriff's deputies often congregate, sometimes with dogs to sniff train cars as they arrive from downtown LA. On rail platforms in mid-city, they may spot LAPD transit officers with silver badges and patches that read transit police. At Union Station, they may see Metro Security guards in neon vests over black uniforms.

This interwoven network of security officers is relatively new to the system; LA Metro "amended its law enforcement structure to include a multi-policing model inclusive of Metro's Transit Security Guards (TSOs) and contract security personnel" in 2017, according to information from the transit system.

LA County Sheriff Alex Villanueva announced Wednesday he would like to see his department take over all security on LA's expansive network of bus and rail lines — and indicated that, should LASD not secure a contract for sole security oversight of the network, he would sever all current security ties with LA Metro, which is overseen by the LA County Supervisors.

Since July 1, 2017, LASD has provided security services to the system together with the LAPD and Long Beach Police Department, plus TSOs.

"The vastness of LA County in terms of both geography and population means that a passenger, or a suspect at large, can pass through city boundaries quickly and seamlessly. That's why our new multi-policing model with the Los Angeles Police Department, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and Long Beach Police Department is so important," according to a flier describing transit security produced by LA Metro. "Through coordinated efforts and the sharing of resources, we are deterring crime, responding to emergency calls faster and increasing our law enforcement presence across the entire Metro transit system."

Villanueva on Wednesday said the five-year-old security system has failed to provide security for

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California plan aims to triple sale of electric cars by 2026

KATHLEEN RONAYNE
Associated Press

California wants electric vehicle sales to triple in the next four years to 35% of all new car purchases, an aggressive target set as part of the goal to phase out the sale of gas-powered cars.

The proposal released Tuesday by the California Air Resources Board puts the state on a roadmap to achieve Democratic Gov. Gavin Newsom's ambitious goal of phasing out the sale of new gas-powered cars by 2035. It begins a months-long state review process and the plan requires approval from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Emissions spewed from gas-powered passenger vehicles make up about a quarter of the state's total greenhouse gas emissions — more than any other single source, according to the state air board. California has established some of the nation's most aggressive climate policies and is the first state in the country that's set a target for transitioning to zero-emission vehicles.

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About 11% of all new passenger car sales nationally happen in California, giving the state significant influence over the auto market. Californians would still be allowed to drive gas-powered cars and sell used ones.

The rules would require 35% of new car sales for model year 2026 to be zero-emission vehicles, including battery or hydrogen powered, or plug-in electric hybrids. That's a sharp increase from 2021, when about 12% of all cars sold in the state were zero-emission, according to the air board.

That requirement ramps up to 100% of all new sales by 2035. New gas-powered cars wouldn't be completely banned; up to 20% of sales by 2035 could be plug-in hybrids that run on a combination of battery and gas power, though the regulations boost how far such cars must be able to travel on battery power alone.

Major automakers including Ford and Toyota deferred to the Alliance for Automotive Innovation, an industry group, for a statement on the proposal. The group says the industry is "committed to electrification and a net-zero carbon transportation future" but raised questions about the drastic ramp up in the required zero-emission vehicle sales.

"Automakers will certainly work to meet whatever standards are eventually adopted, but these draft requirements will be extremely challenging even in California and may not be achievable in all the states that currently follow California's program," the group said.

Nine states including new York and Massachusetts follow California's current zero-emission vehicle rules, which set sales and other requirements through model year 2025. Five other states are set to start following California's rules for future model years. If the federal government approves California's new plan, the other states would have to decide whether to follow suit.

Last month, Washington Gov. Jay Inslee went further than California, signing a law requiring all new cars registered in the state to be electric by 2030. New York has a 2035 deadline.

Associated Press journalist Tom Krisher in Detroit contributed.





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EV: Electric vehicles are a common sight in Santa Monica but less so statewide.

BUS

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to reduce the spread of COVID by minimizing contact between passengers and motor coach operators. Additional benefits from this program were faster boarding times and increasing rider use of TAP fare payments, which provide access to the greater public transportation system and have discounts based on income, age, disability, and school enrollment status.

At the outset of the pilot more than 12 percent of riders were unable to pay their fare and this decreased to around 6 percent by the third month of the pilot. This is comparable to the approximately 6 to 7 percent of customers who refused to pay a fare prior to the start of the pilot. Big Blue Bus has a long-standing policy of allowing customers who do not pay a fare or only pay a partial fare to ride the bus.

Prior to COVID around 32.8 percent of riders paid using cash fare and 37 percent of riders were unbanked or without smartphone access. In community surveys around the pilot program approximately two-thirds of customers recommended the resumption of cash fares. BBB ultimately made the decision to bring back cash fares and focus on outreach efforts to transition vulnerable customers, such as homeless, low income, or elderly riders, to cashless payments.



SMDP Photo

BBB: The Big Blue Bus system will take cash again as part of the fare updates.

"For a contactless fare system to be effective and convenient, it must cater to the most vulnerable customers, including those who depend solely on cash, are unbanked, and/or don't have a smart phone. While BBB has made great strides in increasing access to contactless fares and while smart phone usage has risen precipitously, there is more work to be done before most unbanked customers can conveniently access BBB pass sales or TAP stored value loading venues," states the staff report on the fare change policy.

The fare change policy also decreases prices for BBB rides, which is part of an effort to increase ridership. While BBB service levels are back to 81 percent of pre-pandemic levels, only 46 percent of pre-pandemic ridership has returned. The new $9 pricing of the 10-ride regular pass reflects a 16 percent cost reduction per ride. Additionally, the new free bus transfer policy eliminates the need to pay two boarding fees for a single journey that requires changing bus lines.

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DAILY POLICE LOGS

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 282 CALLS ON APRIL 12

Vehicle Parked In Alley 1000Blk 11th St 2:55 a.m.
Loud Music 1700Blk Ocean Front Walk 4:33 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1500Blk 10th St 5:59 a.m.
Traffic Hazard 1400Blk Marine St 6:13 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1500Blk 6th St 6:22 a.m.
Encampment 1200Blk The Beach 6:51 a.m.
Fire Request Police 1700Blk Pico Blvd 6:54 a.m.
Handicap Zone Violation 700Blk Santa Monica Blvd 6:59 a.m.
Burglary 800Blk 2nd St 7:34 a.m.
Encampment 800Blk 9th St 7:36 a.m.
Traffic Hazard 1200Blk Carlyle Ave 7:57 a.m.
Fraud 2400Blk 4th St 8:21 a.m.
Auto Burglary 1300Blk Franklin St 8:24 a.m.
Handicap Zone Violation 1000Blk 10th St 8:25 a.m.
Indecent Exposure Now Lincoln Blvd / Navy St 8:30 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 400Blk Raymond Ave 8:47 a.m.
Traffic Hazard 21st Pl / San Vicente Blvd 8:52 a.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries City Prop Involved 1500Blk 20th St 8:53 a.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries 900Blk 3rd St 8:54 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 900Blk 5th St 9:05 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 900Blk 5th St 9:05 a.m.
General Parking Problem 1100Blk Princeton St 9:20 a.m.
Traffic Hazard 300Blk Civic Center Dr 9:30 a.m.
Prowler 2600Blk 33rd St 9:32 a.m.
Expired Registration 1500Blk Euclid St 9:40 a.m.
Auto Burglary 1400Blk 5th St 9:45 a.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries 2700Blk Donald Douglas Loop N 9:48 a.m.
Vehicle Blocking Driveway 300Blk 24th St 9:48 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 1500Blk 7th St 9:55 a.m.
Fraud 300Blk Olympic Dr 10:01 a.m.
Identity Theft 1400Blk Berkeley St 10:05 a.m.
Petty Theft 1200Blk 5th St 10:22 a.m.
Lost Property 300Blk Olympic Dr 10:29 a.m.
Expired Registration 600Blk Ocean Ave 10:34 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 300Blk Lincoln Blvd 10:50 a.m.
Traffic Control Request - Level 1 900Blk 11th St 10:58 a.m.
Overdose 2000Blk 14th St 11:01 a.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 1500Blk 14th St 11:04 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 2300Blk 5th St 11:10 a.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 1300Blk 14th St 11:14 a.m.
Lost Property 100Blk Broadway 11:18 a.m.
Battery 300Blk Olympic Dr 11:26 a.m.
Fraud 1600Blk Alta Ave 11:31 a.m.
Traffic Hazard 2200Blk Lincoln Blvd 11:42 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 1200Blk 20th St 11:44 a.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries 20th St / Arizona Ave 11:58 a.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 10th St / Washington Ave 12:01 p.m.
Vehicle With Excessive Parking Violations 1500Blk Euclid St 12:06 p.m.
Person With A Gun 1100Blk 12th St 12:24 p.m.
General Parking Problem 1300Blk 12th St 12:27 p.m.
Traffic Hazard 500Blk 12th St 12:34 p.m.
Threats Report/Investigations 1400Blk 25th St 12:37 p.m.
Burglary 900Blk 4th St 12:50 p.m.
Petty Theft 2900Blk 31st St 12:54 p.m.
Expired Registration 1500Blk 9th St 12:55 p.m.
Petty Theft 500Blk Wilshire Blvd 12:58 p.m.
Battery 500Blk Ashland Ave 1:10 p.m.
Battery 2500Blk Wilshire Blvd 1:15 p.m.
Grand Theft 1200Blk Wilshire Blvd 1:24 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 1400Blk Michigan Ave 1:30 p.m.
Identity Theft 1400Blk Berkeley St 1:39 p.m.
Encampment 1100Blk 16th St 1:52 p.m.
Petty Theft 2900Blk 31st St 2:00 p.m.
General Parking Problem 1400Blk 2nd St 2:01 p.m.
Burglary 1000Blk Ocean Ave 2:06 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 2300Blk 5th St 2:07 p.m.
Lewd Activity 2800Blk Pico Blvd 2:17 p.m.
Found Person 400Blk Santa Monica Pier 2:19 p.m.
Petty Theft Now 600Blk Wilshire Blvd 2:21 p.m.
Battery 1300Blk 3rd Street Prom 2:24 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 1100Blk 26th St 2:55 p.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1300Blk Euclid St 3:02 p.m.
Traffic Control Request - Level 1 100Blk Strand St 3:51 p.m.
Traffic Control Request - Level 1 100Blk Strand St 3:51 p.m.
Expired Registration 1100Blk 17th St 4:05 p.m.
Petty Theft 800Blk Marine St 4:07 p.m.
Vehicle With Excessive Parking Violations 2600Blk 28th St 4:09 p.m.
Silent Robbery Alarm 500Blk Santa Monica Blvd 4:21 p.m.
Petty Theft 900Blk 5th St 4:34 p.m.
Expired Registration 900Blk 18th St 4:40 p.m.
Expired Registration 1100Blk Idaho Ave 4:51 p.m.
Vehicle With Excessive Parking Violations 400Blk California Ave 4:58 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 100Blk Marguerita Ave 5:04 p.m.
Petty Theft 2500Blk Main St 5:13 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 16th St / Broadway 5:17 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 6th St / Colorado Ave 5:22 p.m.
Identity Theft 2300Blk 27th St 5:37 p.m.
Expired Registration 800Blk Colorado Ave 5:41 p.m.
Encampment 2100Blk Ocean Ave 5:46 p.m.
Traffic Control Request - Level 1 7th St / Olympic Blvd W 5:48 p.m.
Loud Music 3400Blk Ocean Park Blvd 6:00 p.m.
Valet Zone Violation 1800Blk Ocean Ave 6:08 p.m.
Encampment 800Blk 10th St 6:20 p.m.
Assault W/Deadly Weapon 400Blk Colorado Ave 6:35 p.m.
Burglary 2100Blk Hill St 6:47 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 500Blk Broadway 7:07 p.m.
Grand Theft 1300Blk 3rd Street Prom 7:07 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto 900Blk 9th St 7:14 p.m.
Petty Theft 1000Blk Wilshire Blvd 7:52 p.m.
Traffic/Vehicle Stop 14th St / Wilshire Blvd 8:04 p.m.
Burglary 2900Blk Urban Ave 8:29 p.m.
Arson 300Blk Wilshire Blvd 8:54 p.m.
Family Disturbance 1000Blk Harvard St 9:19 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 100Blk Strand St 9:24 p.m.
Loud Music 300Blk California Ave 10:50 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 300Blk Santa Monica Pier 11:21 p.m.
Battery 1500Blk Palisades Park 11:40 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 400Blk Georgina Ave 11:59 p.m.

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SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 42 CALLS ON 12

Structure Fire 100Blk Strand St 3:50 p.m.
EMS 1100Blk Ozone Ave 12:17 a.m.
EMS 400Blk Hill St 12:24 a.m.
Arcing Wires 1400Blk 12th St 3:09 a.m.
EMS 3000Blk Delaware Ave 3:28 a.m.
EMS 2400Blk Lincoln Blvd 3:37 a.m.
Building Collapse 1300Blk Pearl St 6:03 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 800Blk Broadway 6:46 a.m.
EMS 1700Blk Pico Blvd 6:53 a.m.
EMS 800Blk Broadway 7:58 a.m.
EMS 1900Blk Centinela Ave 8:11 a.m.
Wires Down 1600Blk 6th St 8:48 a.m.
EMS 800Blk 11th St 8:53 a.m.
Traffic Collision With Injury 900Blk 3rd St 8:54 a.m.
EMS 500Blk Olympic Blvd W 9:12 a.m.
Arcing Wires 1700Blk Pier Ave 9:22 a.m.
Arcing Wires 1700Blk Pier Ave 9:25 a.m.
EMS 2700Blk Donald Douglas Loop N 9:47 a.m.
EMS 2000Blk Santa Monica Blvd 9:50 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 800Blk Broadway 10:05 a.m.
EMS 1700Blk Oak St 10:15 a.m.
EMS 1400Blk 17th St 10:32 a.m.
Structure Fire 900Blk 11th St 10:58 a.m.
EMS 2000Blk 14th St 11:01 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 200Blk Wilshire Blvd 11:08 a.m.
EMS 2500Blk Pico Blvd 11:25 a.m.
EMS 2400Blk 3rd St 11:37 a.m.
EMS 1000Blk 12th St 11:45 a.m.
EMS 1000Blk 3rd St 11:54 a.m.
EMS 1300Blk 3rd Street Prom 11:55 a.m.
EMS 20th St / Arizona Ave 11:58 a.m.
EMS 2900Blk 16th St 12:31 p.m.
EMS 1500Blk 5th St 1:05 p.m.
EMS 4th St / Arizona Ave 2:33 p.m.
EMS 4th St / Arizona Ave 3:02 p.m.
EMS 2400Blk Olympic Blvd 4:30 p.m.
EMS 900Blk 9th St 5:18 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 500Blk Colorado Ave 7:19 p.m.
Miscellaneous Outside Fire 300Blk Wilshire Blvd 8:54 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 1100Blk 4th St 9:38 p.m.
Electrical Fire - No Fire Visible 200Blk Ocean Ave 9:44 p.m.
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Russia has yet to slow a Western arms express into Ukraine

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Western weaponry pouring into Ukraine helped blunt Russia's initial offensive and seems certain to play a central role in the approaching, potentially decisive, battle for Ukraine's contested Donbas region. Yet the Russian military is making little headway halting what has become a historic arms express.

The U.S. numbers alone are mounting: more than 12,000 weapons designed to defeat armored vehicles, some 1,400 shoulder-fired Stinger missiles to shoot down aircraft and more than 50 million rounds of ammunition, among many other things. Dozens of other nations are adding to the totals.

The Biden administration is preparing yet another, more diverse, package of military support possibly totaling $750 million to be announced in the coming days, a senior U.S. defense official said Tuesday. The official spoke on the condition of anonymity to discuss plans not yet publicly announced. The additional aid is a sign that the administration intends to continue expanding its support for Ukraine's war effort.

These armaments have helped an under-gunned Ukrainian military defy predictions that it would be quickly overrun by Russia. They explain in part why Russian President Vladimir Putin's army gave up, at least for now, its attempt to capture Kyiv, the capital, and has narrowed its focus to battling for eastern and southern Ukraine.

U.S. officials and analysts offer numerous explanations for why the Russians have had so little success interdicting Western arms moving overland from neighboring countries, including Poland. Among the likely reasons: Russia's failure to win full control of Ukraine's skies has limited its use of air power. Also, the Russians have struggled to deliver weapons and supplies to their own troops in Ukraine.

Some say Moscow's problem begins at home.

"The short answer to the question is that they are an epically incompetent army badly led from the very top," said James Stavridis, a retired U.S. Navy admiral who was the top NATO commander in Europe from 2009 to 2013.

The Russians also face practical obstacles. Robert G. Bell, a longtime NATO official and now a professor at the Sam Nunn School of International Affairs at Georgia Tech University, said the shipments lend themselves to being hidden or disguised in ways that can make them elusive to the Russians — "short of having a network of espionage on the scene" to pinpoint the convoys' movements.

"It's not as easy to stop this assistance flow as it might seem," said Stephen Biddle, a professor of international and public affairs at Columbia University. "Things like ammunition and shoulder-fired missiles can be transported in trucks that look just like any other commercial truck. And the trucks carrying the munitions the Russians want to interdict are just a small part of a much larger flow of goods and commerce moving around in Poland and Ukraine and across the border.

"So the Russians have to find the needle in this very big haystack to destroy the weapons and ammo they're after and not waste scarce munitions on trucks full of printer paper or baby diapers or who knows what."

Even with this Western assistance it's uncertain whether Ukraine will ultimately prevail against a bigger Russian force. The Biden administration has drawn the line at committing U.S. troops to the fight. It has opted instead to orchestrate international condemnation and economic sanctions, provide intelligence information, bolster NATO's eastern flank to deter a wider war with Russia and donate weapons.

In mid-March, a Russian deputy foreign minister, Sergei Ryabkov, said arms shipments would be targeted.

"We warned the United States that pumping weapons into Ukraine from a number of countries as it has orchestrated isn't just a dangerous move but an action that turns the respective convoys into legitimate targets," he said in televised remarks.

But thus far the Russians appear not to have put a high priority on arms interdiction, perhaps because their air force is leery of flying into Ukraine's air defenses to search out and attack supply convoys on the move. They have struck fixed sites like arms depots and fuel storage locations, but to limited effect.

On Monday, the Russians said they destroyed four S-300 surface-to-air missile launchers that had been given to Ukraine by an unspecified European country. Slovakia, a NATO member that shares a border with Ukraine, donated just such a system last week but denied it had been destroyed. On Tuesday, the Russian Ministry of Defense said long-range missiles were used to hit two Ukrainian ammo depots.

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> — Stephen Biddle

As the fighting intensifies in the Donbas and perhaps along the coastal corridor to the Russian-annexed Crimean Peninsula, Putin may feel compelled to strike harder at the arms pipeline, which Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy has called vital to his nation's survival.

In the meantime, a staggering volume and range of war materiel is arriving almost daily.

"The scope and speed of our support to meeting Ukraine's defense needs are unprecedented in modern times," said John Kirby, the Pentagon press secretary. He said the approximately $2.5 billion in weapons and other material that has been offered to Ukraine since the beginning of the Biden administration is equivalent to more than half of Ukraine's normal defense budget.

One example: The Pentagon says it has provided more than 5,000 Javelin missiles, which are among the world's most effective weapons against tanks and other armored vehicles — and can even take down a low-flying helicopter. The missile, shaped like a clunky dumb bell and weighing 50 pounds (23 kilograms), is fired by an individual soldier; from its launch tube it flies up at a steep angle and descends directly onto its target in what its known as a curveball shot — hitting the top of a tank where its armor is weakest.

The Pentagon said Wednesday that an unspecified number of additional Javelins are to be delivered by Thursday, and the U.S. will complete the delivery of 100 armed Switchblade "kamikaze" drones this week.

The specific routes used to move the U.S. and other Western materials into Ukraine are secret for security reasons, but the basic process is not.

Just this week, two U.S. military cargo planes arrived in Eastern Europe with items ranging from machine guns and small arms ammunition to body armor and grenades, the Pentagon said.

A similar load is due later this week to complete delivery of $800 million in assistance approved by President Joe Biden just one month ago. The weapons and equipment are offloaded, moved onto trucks and driven into Ukraine by Ukrainian soldiers for delivery.

Kirby said the material sometimes reaches troops in the field within 48 hours of entering Ukraine.

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In drought-stricken West, officials weigh emergency actions

FELICIA FONSECA
Associated Press



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WATER: The impact to local water supplies is unknown at this time.

Federal officials say it may be necessary to reduce water deliveries to users on the Colorado River to prevent the shutdown of a huge dam that supplies hydropower to some 5 million customers across the U.S. West.

Officials had hoped snowmelt would buoy Lake Powell on the Arizona-Utah border to ensure its dam could continue to supply power. But snow is already melting, and hotter-than-normal temperatures and prolonged drought are further shrinking the lake.

The Interior Department has proposed holding back water in the lake to maintain Glen Canyon Dam's ability to generate electricity amid what it said were the driest conditions in the region in more than 1,200 years.

"The best available science indicates that the effects of climate change will continue to adversely impact the basin," Tanya Trujillo, the Interior's assistant secretary for water and science wrote to seven states in the basin Friday.

Trujillo asked for feedback on the proposal to keep 480,000 acre-feet of water in Lake Powell — enough water to serve about 1 million U.S. households. She stressed that operating the dam below 3,490 feet (1,063 meters), considered its minimum power pool, is uncharted territory and would lead to even more uncertainty for the western electrical grid and water deliveries to states and Mexico downstream.

In the Colorado River basin, Glen Canyon Dam is the mammoth of power production, delivering electricity to about 5 million customers in seven states — Arizona, Colorado, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming. As Lake Powell falls, the dam becomes less efficient. At 3,490 feet, it can't produce power.

If levels were to fall below that mark, the 7,500 residents in the city at the lake, Page, and the adjacent Navajo community of LeChee would have no access to drinking water.

The Pacific Northwest, and the Rio Grande Valley in New Mexico and Texas are facing similar strains on water supplies.

Lake Powell fell below 3,525 feet (1,075 meters) for the first time ever last month, a level that concerned worried water managers. Federal data shows it will dip even further, in the most probable scenario, before rebounding above the level next spring.

If power production ceases at Glen Canyon Dam, customers that include cities, rural electric cooperatives and tribal utilities would be forced to seek more expensive options. The loss also would complicate western grid operations since hydropower is a relatively flexible renewable energy source that can be easily turned up or down, experts say.

"We're in crisis management, and health and human safety issues, including production of hydropower, are taking precedence," said Jack Schmidt, director of the center for Colorado River Studies at Utah State University. "Concepts like, 'Are we going to get our water back' just may not even be relevant anymore."

The potential impacts to lower basin states that could see their water supplies reduced — California, Nevada and Arizona — aren't yet known. But the Interior's move is a display of the wide-ranging functions of Lake Powell and Glen Canyon Dam, and the need to quickly pivot to confront climate change.

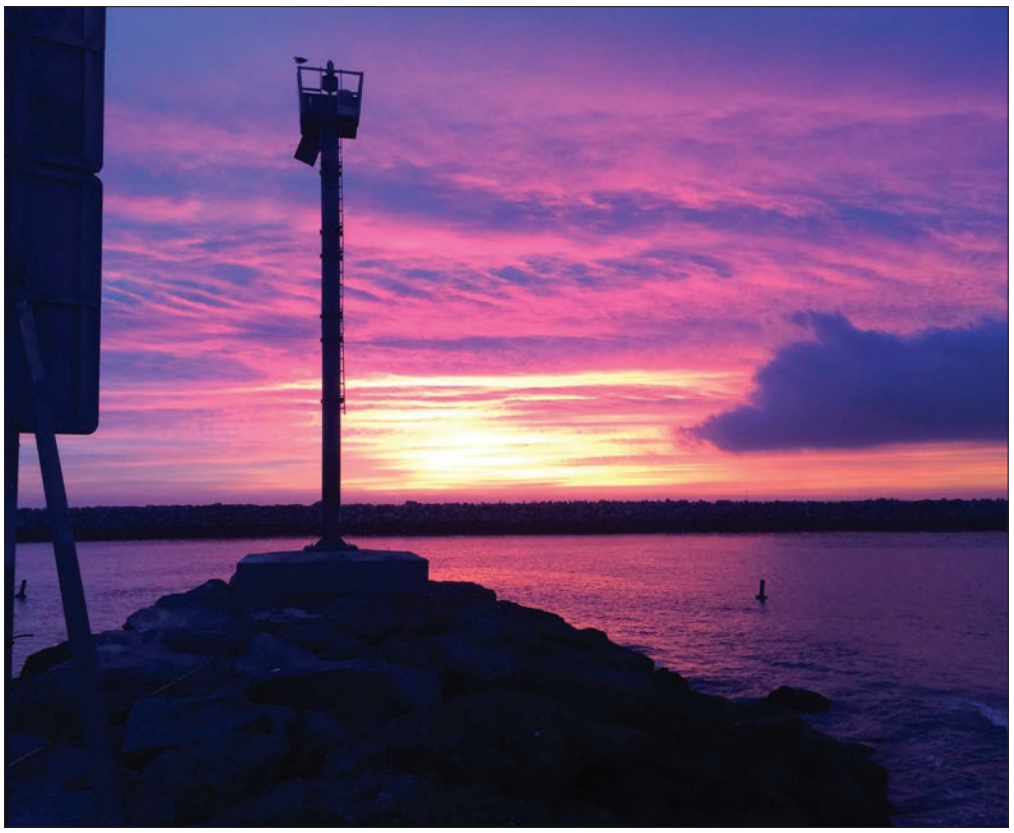
Lake Powell serves as the barometer for the river's health in the upper basin, and Lake Mead has that job in the lower basin. Both were last full in the year 2000 but have declined to one-fourth and one-third of their capacity, respectively, as drought tightened its grip on the region.

Water managers in the basin states — Arizona, California, Nevada, Utah, Wyoming, New Mexico and Colorado — are evaluating the proposal. The Interior Department has set an April 22 deadline for feedback.

Associated Press writers Sam Metz in Salt Lake City contributed to this report.

There's still a way to reach global goal on climate change

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AP Science Writer



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CLIMATE: High seas and threats to marine life are potential impacts of climate change.

If nations do all that they've promised to fight climate change, the world can still meet one of two internationally agreed upon goals for limiting warming. But the planet is blowing past the other threshold that scientists say will protect Earth more, a new study finds.

The world is potentially on track to keep global warming at, or a shade below, 2 degrees Celsius (3.6 degrees Fahrenheit) hotter than pre-industrial times, a goal that once seemed out of reach, according to a study published Wednesday in the journal Nature.

That will only happen if countries not only fulfill their specific pledged national targets for curbing carbon emissions by 2030, but also come through on more distant promises of reaching net zero carbon emissions by mid-century, the study says.

This 2 degree warmer world still represents what scientists characterize as a profoundly disrupted climate with fiercer storms, higher seas, animal and plant extinctions, disappearing coral, melting ice and more people dying from heat, smog and infectious disease. It's not the goal that world leaders say they really want: 1.5 degrees Celsius (2.7 degrees Fahrenheit) since pre-industrial times. The world will blast past that more prominent and promoted goal unless dramatic new emission cuts are promised and achieved this decade and probably within the next three years, study authors said.

Both goals of 1.5-degrees and 2-degrees are part of the 2015 Paris climate pact and the 2021 Glasgow follow-up agreement. The 2-degree goal goes back years earlier.

"For the first time we can possibly keep warming below the symbolic 2-degree mark with the promises on the table. That assumes of course that the countries follow through on the promises," said study lead author Malte Meinshausen, a University of Melbourne climate scientist.

That's a big if, outside climate scientists and the authors, say. It means political leaders actually doing what they promise

The study "examines only this optimistic scenario. It does not check whether governments are making efforts to implement their long-term targets and whether they are credible," said Niklas Hohne of Germany, a New Climate Institute scientist who analyzes pledges for Climate Action Tracker and wasn't part of this study. "We know that governments are far from implementing their long-term targets."

Hohne's team and others who track pledges have similarly found that limiting warming to 2 degrees is still possible, as Meinshausen's team has. The difference is that Meinshausen's study is the first to be peer-reviewed and published in a scientific journal.

Sure, the 2-degree world requires countries to do what they promise. But cheaper wind and solar have shown carbon emissions cuts can come faster than thought and some countries will exceed their promised cuts, Meinshausen said. He also said the way climate action works is starting with promises and then policies, so it's not unreasonable to take countries at their word.

Mostly, he said, limiting warming to 2 degrees is still a big improvement compared to just five or ten years ago, when "everybody laughed like 'ha we'll never see targets on the table that bring us closer to 2 degrees,'" Meinshausen said. "Targets and implemented policies actually can turn the needle on future temperatures. I think that optimism is important for countries to see. Yes, there

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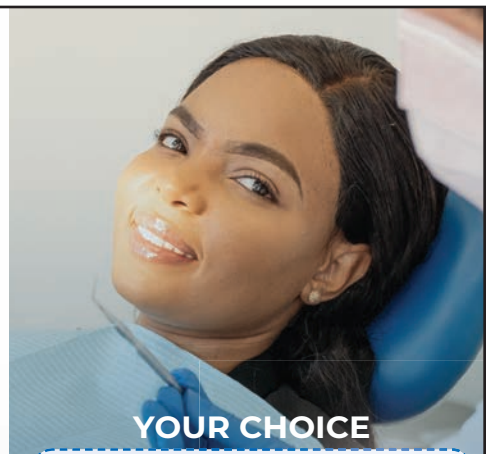
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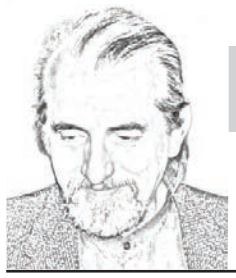


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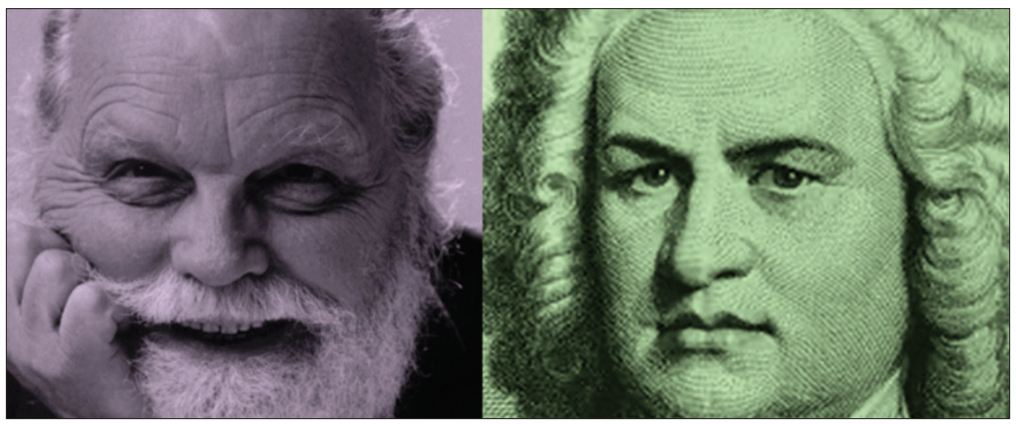




OPINION **NOTEWORTHY**

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PASSION: The Music of LOU HARRISON and JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH

MEMORIAL FOR WILL RYAN

Time, I guess, to write about another amazing memorial service for a music friend of mine.

Last Thursday I acknowledged some parts – impossible to really capture it – of the memorial at the end of the Pier for Scott Ferguson, a man whose life was dedicated to so many endeavors in music. I think anyone who was there (so many) will never forget it.

Equally unforgettable was the celebration of life six weeks ago for my dear friend of many years, another longtime Santa Monica resident, the irrepressible, irreplaceable, unique character that was Will Ryan. It was held in the expansive outdoor-indoor space of the home of Jan Goodman and Jerry Manpearl, longtime close friends of Will and his bride and longtime significant other, Nancy Niparko. That much space was barely enough, for all the people, and for all of Will's… stuff.

Now, when I say that, I don't mean he was a hoarder, by the usual definition. But Will's interests and knowledge were so wide-ranging that he did accumulate a lot, and a lot of it was quite valuable, even museum quality. Most of it was show biz oriented, and some of it went up for sale the first day. I picked up a bitchin' fancy cowboy shirt, and would have liked half a dozen more.

So that day was one side of Will, but the next day painted a more complete picture of the creative deep well that he was, as brought out by stories told by his friends. Those stories also solidified what everyone who knew him knew, that he was one of the kindest, most loving, generous souls who ever walked this earth. We hear that about many but I'll bet on Will for that gold star any day, and so would all his friends.

I won't go into his truly endless list of artistic accomplishments, that ranged from major animation voice overs to books of his poetry to films and paintings and certainly hundreds of songs he wrote, if not 1,000. I do urge you to get a picture of that from the tribute I wrote to him in my CURIOUS CITY column of five months ago. I give great thanks to my paper's owners and editors for moving mountains to get that piece in and Will did have it read to him a couple of days before he passed. I did not reveal in the column that he was sick, just another incredibly accomplished citizen of our fair city.

There was music, of course, not many tears but lots of smiles and laughter, there were some pretty famous folks telling their Will stories. My only regret about it was that he couldn't be seated in the back, aw shucks-ing it all in. We'll all never forget how you rode that range with rhythm, Will.

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED:

THE PETER ERSKINE TRIO – not to diminish in the least the other two players, pianist ALAN PASQUA and bassist DAREK OLES are each in the top ranks on their instruments. But Erskine is, no question (in my experience), THE best jazz drummer on the planet, playing with restrained virtuosity that floors you. He is absolutely melodic, and so casually inventive you could easily miss it. He is not the guy who just keeps the beat. If you don't trust my opinion, ask Weather Report, Steely Dan, Stan Kenton, Joni Mitchell, Maynard Ferguson, Diana Krall, John Abercrombie, John Scofield, Al Di Meola, Pat Methany, or the late great Jaco Pastorius. He's lived in Santa Monica for decades but doesn't perform that often. Lucky for us he likes Sam First, close by at LAX. Go to both shows. Fri 7:30, 9 p.m., Sam First, LAX, $25

JACARANDA presents PASSION: The Music of LOU HARRISON and JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH – After too long without their incredibly creative and virtuosic performances, it is so great to have Jacaranda back, and in our own backyard. The First Presbyterian Church on Second Street (time for a political rant: conveniently just across from a parking garage, you know, the parking garages some zealots in the city are trying to eliminate, because of course if you eliminate parking spaces, cars will magically go away), has superb acoustics, and sight lines. This is the LA premiere of Bach's demanding masterpiece Easter Oratorio, and Jacaranda is pulling out all the stops. I expect the Harrison piece to be a wonder too. Fasten your seat belts. SAT 8 P.M., First Presbyterian church, SM, $20-45.

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SHERIFF

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transit users, the majority of whom are Latino or Black.

Villanueva, speaking during the Wednesday press conference, listed off a series of crimes conducted on and around LA Metro trains and buses and compared the experience of riding LA Metro (what he referred to as MTA) with riding Metrolink, the regional transit around Southern California.

"They [the Metro Board, which includes all five LA County Supervisors] created that administrative court for code of conduct violations, and now, because of that, the Sheriff's Department cannot enforce code of conduct things," Villanueva said, later adding, "We cannot enforce trespass, urinating, defecating, spitting, loud music, loitering, fare enforcement — some of the basic things. It should be noted that our department has a Metrolink contract and that is 538 miles of track; it covers six counties. You do not see this on the Metrolink. You only see it on the MTA system."

The Sheriff later complained his 300 sworn officers currently assigned to assist with Metro security were "basically twiddling their thumbs on a system in decay."

Villanueva said that when his department's current contract is up on July 1, LASD would be bidding on "the entire contract" to take over security across all of LA Metro.

"We're not going to bid for parts of it," Villanueva said. "We're not going to bid for the role of being overpaid security."



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SHERIFF: Deputies currently patrol the Downtown Expo line station.

Villanueva's announcement on Wednesday was the latest chapter in a protracted conflict between the Sheriff and LA County Supervisors. The Sheriff said the Supervisors had made "successful efforts" to "defund and de-staff the Department."

Third District Supervisor Sheila Kuehl's office did not reply to a request for comment when reached on Wednesday; staff at Kuehl's office indicated they did not receive a copy of the letter Villanueva said he wrote to the Supervisors announcing his intent to bid for the whole contract, but indicated Supervisor Hilda Solis' office may be able to provide the letter. Solis' office did not reply to a request for the letter or further information by the Daily Press deadline.

When contacted on Wednesday, the LASD Information Bureau indicated it did not have access to Villanueva's letter.

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is hope."

About 20% to 30% of that hope is due to the Paris climate agreement, but the rest is due to earlier investments by countries that made green energy technologies cheaper than dirty fossil fuels such as coal, oil and natural gas, Meinshausen said.

Yet, even if that's good news, it's not all good, he said.

"Neither do we have a margin of error (on barely limiting to 2 degrees) nor do the pledges put us on a path close to 1.5 degrees," Meinshausen said.

In 2018 the United Nations' scientific expert team studied the differences between the 1.5- and 2-degree thresholds and found considerably worse and more extensive damages to Earth at 2 degrees of warming. So the world has recently tried to make the 1.5 degrees goal possible.

Earth has already warmed at least 1.1 degrees Celsius (2 degrees Fahrenheit) since pre-industrial times, often considered the late 1800s, so 2 degrees of warming really means another 0.9 degrees Celsius (1.6 degrees Fahrenheit) hotter than now.

Meinshausen's analysis "looks good and solid, but there are always assumptions that could be important," said Glen Peters, a climate scientist who tracks emissions with Global Carbon Project.

The biggest assumption is that nations somehow get to promised net zero carbon emissions, most of them by 2050 but a decade or two later for China and India, said Peters, research director of the Cicero Center for International Climate Research in Oslo, Norway.

"Making pledges for 2050 is cheap, backing them up with necessary short-term action is hard," he said, noting that for most countries, there will be five or six elections between now and 2050.

MAIL

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brief statement via email.

"Protecting the Postal Service and its employees is the core mission of the U.S. Postal Inspection Service; therefore, these kinds of investigations receive the highest level of response and attention," according to an unnamed USPIS representative. "The safety and security of Postal Service employees is a top priority for the Postal Inspection Service. Postal Inspectors educate employees to avoid, when possible, situations that pose special risk to them or to the security of the mail. Inspectors also work closely with neighborhood crime prevention groups to keep an eye out for their letter carriers. Postal Inspectors developed a program called 'Safe and Secure,' which focuses on continuing employee education and prevention efforts through talks, presentations, and training videos to help employees prevent robberies, assaults, and theft from postal vehicles and facilities."

USPIS did not reply to multiple phone calls requesting more detailed information on Wednesday afternoon.

Mail service was initially paused to the 1300 block of 14th Street on Thursday, April 7, and resumed Tuesday, April 11, shortly after the suspension of service made national headlines on Monday.

SMPD said the suspect in the original case, Devon Ray Morgan, was most recently arrested on April 6 for misdemeanor vandalism and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was issued a citation and released per current county bail rules. He is also currently under investigation for two incidents that occurred in March: battery and criminal threats. Once completed, those cases will be presented to either the City Attorney (misdemeanor) or District Attorney (felony) for filing consideration.

On Monday, SMPD confirmed Morgan was not unhoused, as had been widely speculated on social media and some news outlets.

The Santa Monica Post Office, Postmaster Marjorie Watson (who signed the original suspension notice) and the Postal Service's District Office did not respond to phone calls Wednesday.

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EM the MASTER –Why do I keep HIGHLY RECOMMENDING this show, week after week, for months? Because it's still as great a performance as it was the first time I saw her, and because there still may be one or two of you who haven't gone to Harvelle's on Fourth Street on any Tuesday night, parked right next door in the parking structure, plopped down your 10 bucks cover charge (are you serious?), ordered a couple of modestly-priced drinks at the bar from the friendly co-owners Jason or Damian, and settled into a comfy booth ready to be entertained, maybe even amazed. Yeah, she's that good. Every Tues 9:30 p.m., Harvelle's, Santa Monica, $10.

RECOMMENDED:

PIERRE BENSUSAN – The guitar is a gorgeous instrument in the hands of a master, and French-Algerian Pierre Bensusan has been that for decades. Before people recognized "world music," he was an exemplar, in his songs and his compositions. Just when he has hypnotized you with his playing, he may surprise you with his unique vocals, or even a little scatting. McCabe's is the perfect place to see this master up close and personal. Fri 8 p.m., McCabes, SM, $26.50.

BONFIRE – Can't actually recommend them since I've never seen them, but… AC/DC's music is pretty basic and simple rock 'n' roll that should be fairly easy to replicate well, they mastered the zen of three (loud) chords and are kings of great stompin' riffs and melodies, they've got a gazillion hits you love, an if their singer is pretty close to channeling Bon Scott and/or Brian Johnson, you should have a great headbangin' evening. Harvelle's don't book no posers. Fri 9 p.m., Harvelle's, SM, $12.

TOLEDO DIAMOND — Have you gone to catch his unique show yet, every Sunday night at Harvelle's, here in SM? I've been recommending him for… decades. Choreographer to the biggest stars, smoky-voiced hep cat, creator of a unique floor show, with his dames, circus hoops, and a band that is truly a knockout. Trust me. You've never seen anything like Toledo. You will not forget this show and likely you will be back, friends in tow. Sun 9:30 p.m., Harvelle's, Santa Monica, $12.

COMING ATTRACTIONS: DAKHA BRAKHA, UCLA, 4/24; ITZHAK PERLMAN, Walt Disney Concert Hall, 4/24; ROGER McGUINN, Smothers Theatre, 4/25; NAS with the LA PHIL, Walt Disney Concert Hall, 5/1; LA PHIL performs STRAVINSKY'S "THE RITE OF SPRING" with DUDAMEL, Walt Disney Concert Hall, 5/5, 6, 7, 8; JIM KWESKIN, McCabe's, 5/7; LA PHIL performs REVUELTAS, STRAVINSKY'S "PETRUSHKA,"with DUDAMEL, Walt Disney Concert Hall, 5/12.13; LA PHIL performs VILLA-LOBOS, STRAVINSKY'S "FIREBIRD." with DUDAMEL, Walt Disney Concert Hall, 5/14, 15; SONGWRITERS SHOWCASE with RICK SHEA, Petty/Chavez & Jeff Turmes, McCabe's, 5/16.

Charles Andrews has listened to a lot of music of all kinds, including more than 3,000 live shows. He has lived in Santa Monica for 36 years and wouldn't live anywhere else in the world. Really. Send love and/or rebuke to him at therealmrmusic@gmail.com

City of Santa Monica

CITY OF SANTA MONICA
Notice of Public Hearing

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Santa Monica will be holding a public hearing for the following:

Amendment to the City of Santa Monica's Sustainable Water Infrastructure Project Non-Potable Reuse Permit, Order No. R4-2021-004

The City of Santa Monica, Department of Public Works – Water Resources Division is holding a public hearing pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 60320.202 for the City's Sustainable Water Infrastructure Project (SWIP). The purpose of the meeting is to provide an opportunity for the public to comment on the use of advanced treated recycled water from SWIP to augment the City's groundwater supply at the Olympic Well Field.

The City is seeking to amend the Sustainable Water Infrastructure Project's (SWIP) non-potable reuse permit, Order No. R4-2021-004, with the California Regional Water Quality Control Board - Los Angeles Region and expand its use for indirect potable reuse – groundwater replenishment via subsurface application. The SWIP will produce advanced treated recycled water and diluent water that will comply with California Code of Regulations Title 22, Article 5.2 for a Groundwater Replenishment Reuse Project and meet all federal and state drinking water regulations.

The Public Hearing will be held on April 28, 2022, at 5:30pm. Please visit the following webpage for more details including how to provide public comments and how to register for the meeting.

https://www.santamonica.gov/sustainable-water-infrastructure-project-swip

Public comments could be made ahead of time by e-mailing the comments to water.resources@santamonica.gov or in-person at the Public Hearing. Public comments will be accepted until 6:30PM Pacific Standard Time on April 28, 2022.

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Notice of Public Hearing – Measure R Parcel Tax

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Education of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District will conduct a public hearing on the matter of the 2022-23 Special Parcel Tax (Measure R) regarding applying a Consumer Price Index (CPI-U) adjustment. The public hearing will be held on May 5, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. in the Santa Monica-Malibu District Office at 1651 16th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90404. Subsequent to the public hearing on May 5, 2022 at the regularly scheduled meeting, it is the intention of the Board of Education to adopt a resolution to levy the tax at the rate of $471.93 per parcel, which includes a 7.4% CPI adjustment. The CPI-U for Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, base year 1982-84=100, from February 2021 through February 2022, was used to calculate the adjustment.Information to apply for the Measure R Senior Exemption may be found at https://www.smmusd.org/Page/3905. The application form and supporting documentation must be completed, signed and returned by June 30, 2022. To be added to the mailing list, please email MeasureR@smmusd.org.



TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 14)

Implausible happenings blossom in your life, so don't limit your wishing to that which seems reasonable. You'll be dealing in realms that don't exist at the time of this reading, so send your hopes to the stars and your plans to the outer edges, and keep pushing. New scenes are painted with the vitality of your passion. Virgo and Scorpio adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 1, 44, 38, 9 and 5.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You've tried to slot someone into a pattern that suited you, and it worked for a while, but ultimately each must answer to individual needs... an inevitability of life.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). People can be unpredictable, erratic and irresponsible. That doesn't make them less lovable to you, but it does mean you'll have to think ahead or work around them to achieve your desired outcome.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You will avoid the frustration that inevitably comes with not getting what you want by simply not wanting it. Your cosmic gift of the day is the amazing ability to just drop it and instead desire something right within reach.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). No one learns alone. "Self-taught" is a myth. Learning begins by watching, listening to and following the teacher. Today's teacher may be a book, a principle or an unfolding event. You'll soak up all you need to know.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You usually don't like it when people who don't need help ask for it anyway. But who has the time to make sure each request is legit? Today it won't matter. You'll help others and you're the one who will end up feeling lucky.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your problems are not to blame for what ails you. Rather, these complications are what will grow you into a more creative and resourceful person. The things you must do to survive and thrive will be the source of your strength.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Those who make excuses or pass blame deprive themselves of the chance to learn the right way to do a task. You recognize this in others and avoid making the same mistake.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Out of modesty and social grace, you don't always highlight your accomplishments and all you've got going on. However, right now there's someone near who will benefit from your work. So, talk it up!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Growth takes time, but it doesn't take forever. You've been patient, nurturing and positive, yet things haven't formed to the shape you needed them to be. Nothing is so essential you can't let it go. Start over new.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The task at hand is something you would do even if you were not paid to. Even so, don't offer it for free. People will value it better if they pay for it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Whatever you're working with, make it your own. Forget about what a thing was designed to do. What do you need it to do? You'll get completely original results because you're not bound to the rules.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). To live in harmony is as much about hitting the right tones as it is about getting the timing right. You pace yourself to strike the right mood with the right moment.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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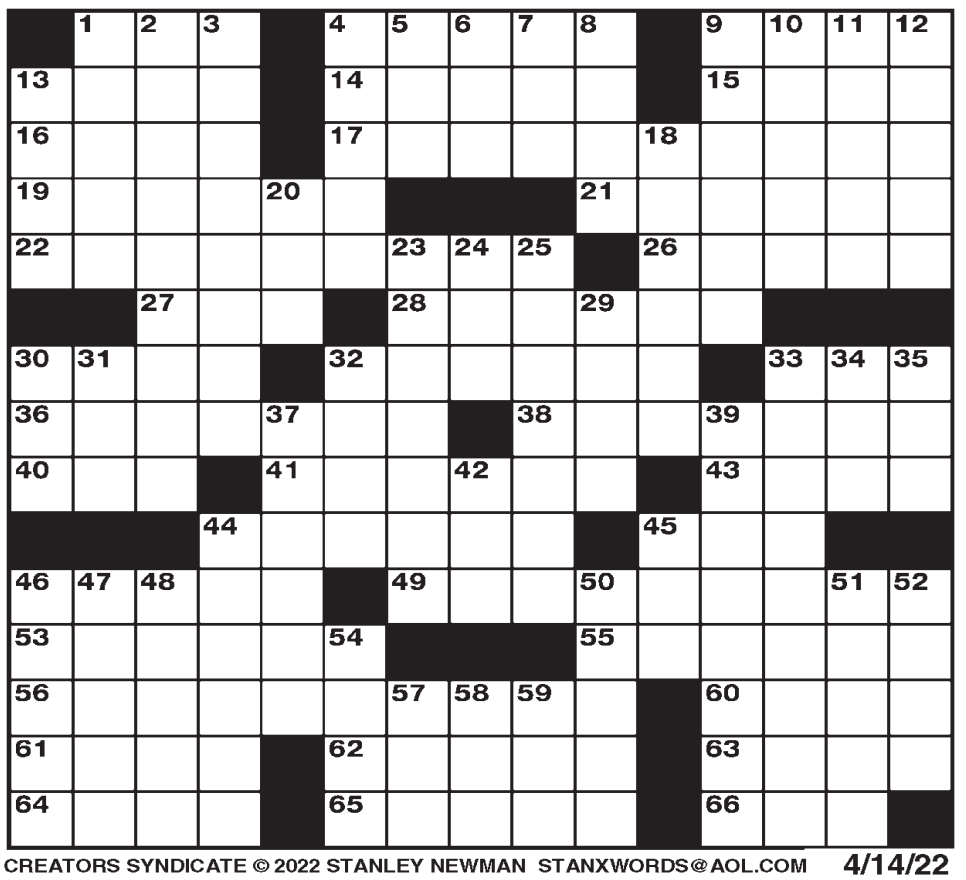
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1				3	8			
3							5	4

Newsday Crossword

VOWEL EXERCISE by Mark McClain
Edited by Stanley Newman
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ACROSS
1 Iconic uncle
4 Maternity ward figures
9 Event for seniors
13 Anjou alternative
14 Not secretive
15 Big Island port
16 Political campaign
17 Groups doing 9 Across gigs
19 Get payback for
21 Doesn't bet
22 Where small crowns are made
26 Not trustful
27 Temporary downturn
28 Split to unite
30 At a great distance
32 Overwhelm
33 Mariner's milieu
36 Got brunch delivered
38 "It's a secret!"
40 Imaginative works
41 Like proverbial peas
43 Costa __ (Nicaragua neighbor)
44 Tim of country music
45 Mason's trough
46 Tried to nip
49 Beach transport
53 Depleted
55 Madison's successor
56 Venerable DC Comics team
60 Ump's decision
61 HS math
62 Home center section
63 Branch of biol.
64 To be, in Brittany
65 Mischievous Muppet
66 Lawn coating

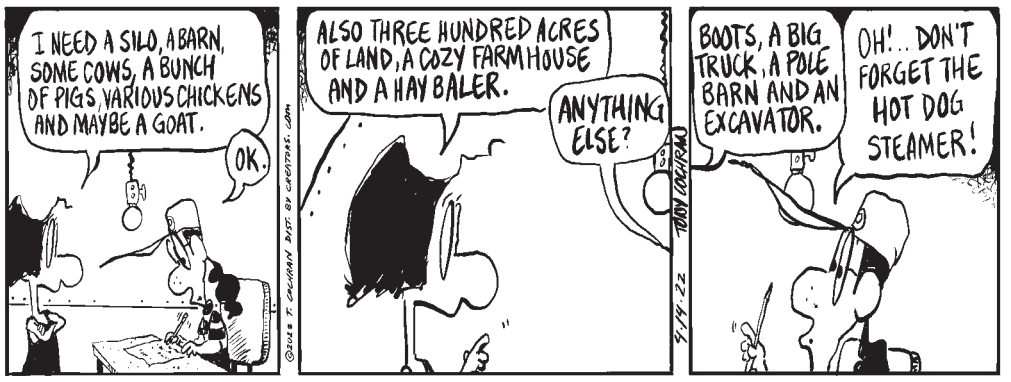
DOWN
1 White Italian wine
2 Rising
3 Reba of country music
4 Catalog poser
5 Director DuVernay
6 Chaps
7 Circle section
8 Short distance
9 Discontinued, with "out"
10 Washer cycle
11 From an earlier time
12 Like some forest floors
13 Slender fastener
18 Whalebone
20 Noticeable space
23 Author Elmore
24 HS math
25 Get stuck
29 Move with difficulty
30 __ Accepted (phrase on toothpaste)
31 Needle maker
32 Google alternative
33 Prayed at the table
34 Corner PC key
35 Alias introducer
37 Formal order
39 Defeated soundly
42 Former NBA star __ Gasol
44 What Curie was called
45 Cable channel since 1972
46 Move a bit
47 "The best __ to come"
48 Viola's range
50 Feign feelings
51 Price something inexpensively
52 Outcry
54 Plumbing supply
57 Vacation rental
58 Ear pollution
59 "Solo" starter



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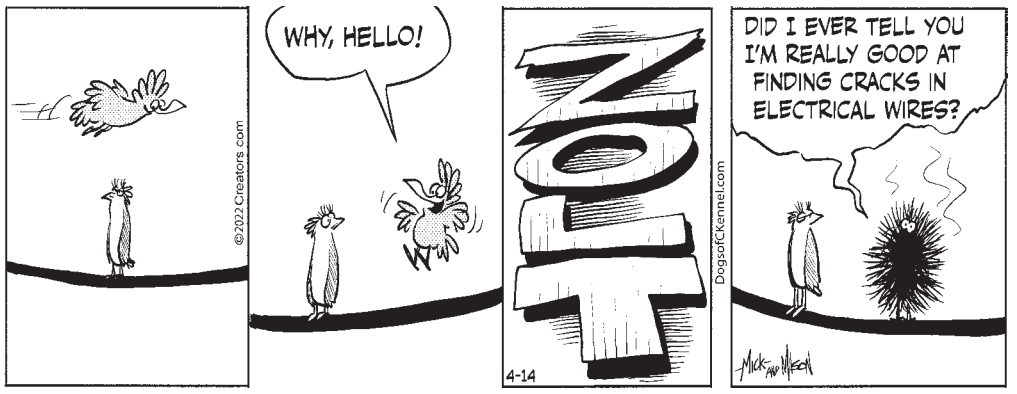
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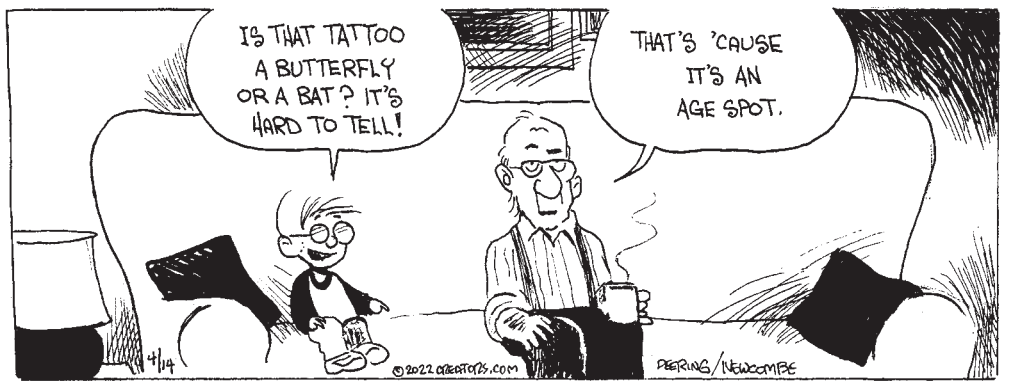
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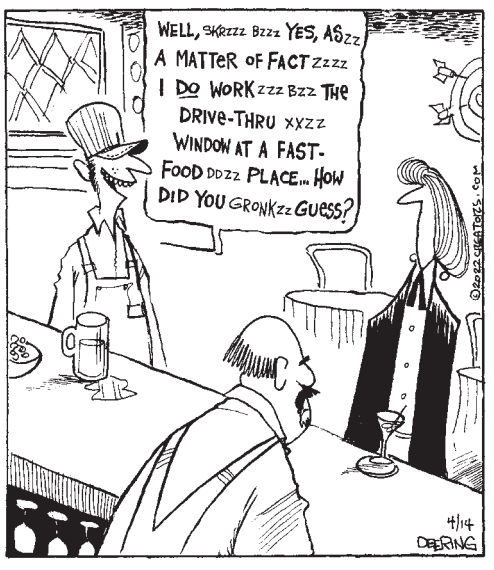
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"GARBAGE NIGHT IS NOW THURSDAY."

Strange Brew

By JOHN DEERING



FIND THE WORDS

This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 13 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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Street performers

N	A	M	S	C	L	O	W	N	S	R	Z	T	Y	A
O	Z	I	W	N	H	Y	E	O	J	E	A	E	M	H
V	F	U	N	H	O	U	S	E	N	K	N	U	E	C
E	A	E	G	C	I	I	M	C	E	O	Y	Q	R	T
L	R	S	A	B	S	M	L	O	M	J	S	I	R	A
T	C	G	I	T	W	E	S	K	U	D	T	N	Y	C
I	E	K	E	I	M	D	S	I	N	R	R	U	G	F
E	E	N	T	U	N	E	N	A	C	R	I	L	O	C
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Y	Y	I	M	L	R	S	T	P	T	O	L	O	O	N
D	E	I	O	D	D	N	T	A	P	E	W	N	U	T
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O	H	H	G	T	H	R	O	L	U	F	Y	A	L	P
C	O	I	N	S	N	G	R	A	L	U	C	O	J	S

Bikes	Farce	Lions	Rapt
Cage	Feat	Loony	Seal
Catch	Fold	Merry-go-round	Show
Centre	Fool		Take
Children	Fun house	Mime	Tame
Clem	Gate	Money	Trip
Clowns	Giant	Nets	Tune
Coins	Handstands	Noise	Unique
Comedy	Humour	Novelties	Whimsical
Crowd	Jocular	Playful	Witty
Dog	Joey	Popcorn	Zany
Droll	Joker	Pretend	

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Making lots of sandbags

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out and about in Santa Monica

THURSDAY | APRIL 14

STORYTIME AT CAYTON CHILDREN'S MUSEUM
11:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Join organizers for fun stories, songs, and fingerplays and, after storytime, enjoy the museum for free! Registration is required. Register here: https://bit.ly/SMPLCayton.

RENT CONTROL BOARD
Regular meeting of the Rent Control Board. 7 p.m. https://www.smgov.net/Current_Board_Meetings.aspx.

ROCK N COMEDY
Carefully Curated Comedy Show at Rock N Pies in Santa Monica on the second Thursday of the every month. 8:30 p.m. doors open and the show starts at 9 p.m. $10 online $15 at door. Comedians from NBC, Netflix, Amazon Prime, BET and more. 1120 Wilshire Blvd.

EAT AT WATER GARDEN
Water Garden will have a rotation of Los Angeles' most iconic food trucks every Tuesday and Thursday from 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. On April 14 Flaming Grain will be pulling up and firing up palates. Parking is always free on Food Truck Days. 1620 26th St.

FRIDAY | APRIL 15

SEA SICK BY ALANNA MITCHELL
Award-winning journalist Alanna Mitchell is a master storyteller, and this power is center stage in her mesmerizing solo show, Sea Sick. Culled from her work with leading ocean scientists and infused with her innate ability to lure an audience in, Sea Sick tells Mitchell's most important story: her journey to the bottom of the ocean, the demons she discovered there and, most importantly, her hope for the future. 8 - 9:30 p.m. $35. https://thebroadstage.org/performances/2021-22/theatre/seasick

SATURDAY | APRIL 16

TOURS OF THE MARION DAVIES GUEST HOUSE
Award-winning journalist Alanna Mitchell is a master storyteller, and this power is center stage in her mesmerizing solo show, Sea Sick. Culled from her work with leading ocean scientists and infused with her innate ability to lure an audience in, Sea Sick tells Mitchell's most important story: her journey to the bottom of the ocean, the demons she discovered there and, most importantly, her hope for the future. $35. Broad Stage, 9:30 p.m. 1310 11th St. https://thebroadstage.org/

NOTABLE FICTION DISCUSSION GROUP
The Heart of the Matter by Graham Greene
11 a.m. to 12 p.m. A classic tragic novel of love and duty in a colonial setting. To register: library@santamonica.gov.

WELLNESS & WAVES
Whether you're looking to reset after a long and busy week, or are just wanting to get your sweat on, Wellness & Waves is here for you. Join us for a free yoga workout that includes good vibes, ocean breezes and epic views. Come elevate your practice by connecting with nature, and meditating with the sunshine. 9:30 a.m. Register at https://www.santamonicapier.org/wellnessandwaves.

DOWNTOWN FARMERS MARKET
Arizona Ave. (between 2nd & 4th)
8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

PICO FARMERS MARKET
Pico Blvd. & Cloverfield Blvd.
8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

SUNDAY | APRIL 17

MAIN STREET FARMERS MARKET
2640 Main Street.
8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

MONDAY | APRIL 18

MAIN LIBRARY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP
Join a community-led discussion of books selected by the group. This month's selection is A Woman of No Importance: The Untold Story of the American Spy Who Helped Win World War II by Sonia Pernell. Contact jeff.schwartz@santamonica.gov for the Zoom link. 7 - 8:30 p.m.

SNOOZER'S STORYTIME ADVENTURES
Checkers Library TV presents Snoozer's Storytime Adventures, a virtual series that brings children's books to life with an uplifting story, craft, and song. Access the program here: youtube.com/user/SantaMonicaPL/playlists. 12 - 12:30 p.m.

TAKE & MAKE KIT: POETRY AND BUTTERFLIES
This kit includes supplies and instructions for two crafts: a butterfly suncatcher for Spring, and a construction paper windsock featuring a poem for National Poetry Month. Pick up at the Main Library Youth Services desk, Pico, or Montana Branches. While supplies last. For ages 3 & up.

TUESDAY | APRIL 19

STORYTIME: IN THE GARDEN
10:30 to 11:00 a.m. / Montana Ave Branch Library, Patio. Listen to stories about gardening and start your own little seedling. Space is limited. For Ages 2 & up. Register: bit.ly/YouthProgramSignUps

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SURF REPORT

WATER TEMP: **53.6**

THURSDAY *POOR TO FAIR*	**SURF:** 3-4ft Waist to chest	Continued combo of SSW and NW swells. Quality conditions in the AM before westerly winds crank back up. Tucked away points are the call in the PM.
FRIDAY *POOR TO FAIR*	**SURF:** 2-3ft+ Thigh to stomach	May see a refresh of NW swell. SSW energy starts to fade. Winds look best in the morning before westerly winds crank again.

WEATHER

Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 65. East northeast wind around 10 mph.
Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 54. West southwest wind 5 to 15 mph.
Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 64. Northeast wind 5 to 15 mph.
Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 55.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2022/04/14	Thu	02:32 AM	0.80	L
2022/04/14	Thu	08:28 AM	4.85	H
2022/04/14	Thu	2:45 PM	-0.08	L
2022/04/14	Thu	9:01 PM	5.01	H
2022/04/15	Fri	03:08 AM	0.22	L
2022/04/15	Fri	09:09 AM	4.82	H
2022/04/15	Fri	3:11 PM	0.12	L
2022/04/15	Fri	9:25 PM	5.41	H
2022/04/16	Sat	03:47 AM	-0.29	L
2022/04/16	Sat	09:51 AM	4.64	H
2022/04/16	Sat	3:38 PM	0.43	L
2022/04/16	Sat	9:52 PM	5.74	H
2022/04/17	Sun	04:30 AM	-0.68	L
2022/04/17	Sun	10:37 AM	4.32	H
2022/04/17	Sun	4:07 PM	0.83	L
2022/04/17	Sun	10:22 PM	5.96	H
2022/04/18	Mon	05:16 AM	-0.90	L
2022/04/18	Mon	11:29 AM	3.89	H

DAILY LOTTERY

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POWERBALL
Draw Date: 4/11
5 7 24 31 34
Power#: 4
Jackpot: 302 M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 4/12
2 8 14 20 31
Mega#: 17
Jackpot: 20 M

SuperLotto PLUS
Draw Date: 4/9
2 7 10 33 37
Mega#: 11
Jackpot: 33 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 4/12
3 13 20 27 35

Daily 3
Draw Date: 4/12
EVENING: 5 7 7
Draw Date: 4/12
MIDDAY: 8 8 0

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1st: 12 - Lucky Charms
2nd: 04 - Big Ben
3rd: 11 - Money Bags
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