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San Bernardino, CA – Want later bus service on weekends? More frequent service during the week? Have ideas on how Omnitrans can be more efficient? Current and prospective transit users are invited to share their opinions at two open house events:

EAST VALLEY

Tuesday, May 17, 2011

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Norman F. Feldheim Library

Kellogg Room B

555 West 6th Street

San Bernardino, CA 92410

WEST VALLEY

Wednesday, May 18, 2011

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

City of Ontario Senior Center

Craft Room

225 East “B” Street

Ontario, CA 91764

The sessions are tied to the agency’s Comprehensive Operational Analysis (COA) project, an in-depth study of existing transit services by an independent consultant. Each open house will begin with a project presentation at 6 pm followed by opportunities to provide input at various stations set up in the room. Bilingual staff will be available for Spanish speakers. Refreshments and a door prize drawing are offered. Those unable to attend may submit comments via telephone at (909) 884-8276 or online at: www.sanbag.ca.gov/omnitransCOA

The May open houses are among several chances for public input on the COA. Rider drop-in sessions were held at transfer hubs in April. Input was gathered from Omnitrans employees and community stakeholders. Results will help formulate an action plan with suggested improvements for the operation of Omnitrans. The public will be invited to comment on recommendations in series of community outreach events in fall 2011.

“The purpose of the COA is to enhance public transportation service within Omnitrans’ service area,” said Beth Kranda, Transit Analyst at San Bernardino Associated Governments and Project Manager for COA. “The analysis will help to maximize the impact of taxpayer funding for transit by gaining better knowledge of rider needs and improving efficiency.”

Founded in 1976, Omnitrans is the public transit agency providing 50,000 passenger trips each weekday across the San Bernardino Valley. Omnitrans is governed by a 20-member board representing the 15 cities served by Omnitrans and San Bernardino County.

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