

Freeway Beautification Project (AKA Metro Freeway Crew)



April 19, 2012

Project Definition

- MTA initiated a pilot project with Caltrans to improve graffiti abatement, debris removal and landscape improvements along two corridors
 - I-110 from College St to Exposition Blvd
 - I-710 from SR-60 to I-405



Landscape Maintenance

- Secured Caltrans authorization to plant deterrent vegetation at a specific location – on 110 S at College St Bridge
- Prepared soil for planting, upgraded the irrigation and planted five bougainvillea and four California hopseed plants

Before:



After:



Work Has Begun Mural Replica



Graffiti Removal

- Graffiti removal on the I-110 and I-710 corridor has begun
 - 50 locations as of April 19, 2012
- Completed initial clean-up of Railroad and Utility crossings along I-710
- Secured additional Caltrans support along both corridors – guardrail repairs, ramp crack sealing, additional debris removal, weed herbicide spraying
- Conducted a meeting with Caltrans, railroads and utilities to improve vandalism deterrence along I-710

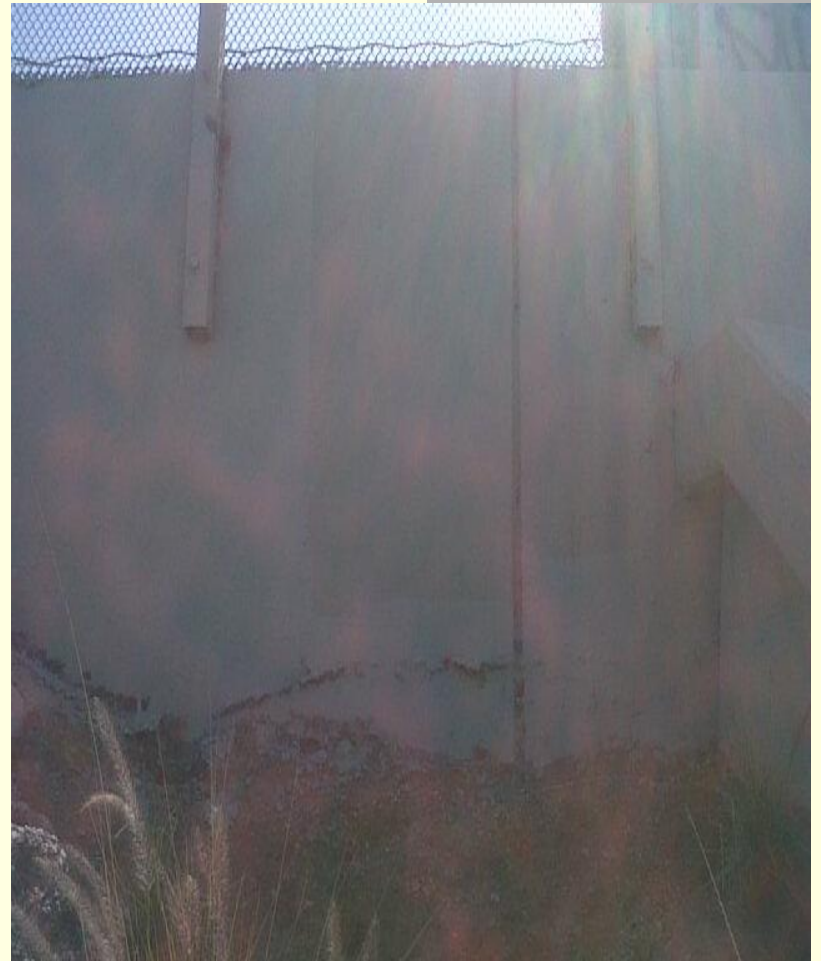
I-110 Graffiti Removal



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I-710 Graffiti Removal



I-710 Graffiti Removal



Railroad Deterrence



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Next Steps

- Continue with the smaller contracts to bridge the gap until the large contracts are awarded
- Award large maintenance contract to include graffiti/debris removal
- Award large landscaping contract to include plant maintenance and new plantings
- Continue discussions with Caltrans, railroads and utilities for graffiti deterrence