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PURPLE LINE EXTENSION SECTION 2
WHAT'S THAT SOUND? *FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS*

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What are the Purple Line Extension noise requirements?

An Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) was prepared prior to the start of the Metro Purple Line Extension Transit Project to analyze how noise levels would affect the project area. The project must follow noise requirements set by the city municipal code, and as specified in the EIS/EIR report. This helps to reduce noise generated by construction. The Purple Line Extension stretches through both the cities of Los Angeles and Beverly Hills, and each city has their own noise mitigation requirements. Overall, these requirements state how much noise the project can generate during different times of the day.

Will there be noise and will I be able to hear it?

Construction activities for the Purple Line Extension will generate varying levels of noise. Noise from the project will primarily be generated during construction activities that occur above ground. You may on occasion hear noise if you live or work near the construction activities. Physical structures such as buildings will help reduce noise generated by the project. We will notify nearby residents and businesses before construction begins.

How loud will the noise be?

Noise levels will vary depending on your location, distance from the project construction activities, and the type of construction activities. Most of the Purple Line Extension is in urban areas where there is existing noise from traffic and other factors. There are measures in place to minimize noise levels associated with the construction work and to attempt to be within compliance.

How will noise be minimized during construction?

Construction noise specialists will collect noise measurements and monitor noise levels during construction to ensure the Purple Line Extension is abiding by city noise ordinances, as well as those requirements specified in the project's EIS/EIR. Noise will be measured by averaging readings over a 15-minute period, as dictated by municipal code, using approved and calibrated sound level meters.

Some of the noise requirements include:

- > Preparing a plan that will address how to keep project noise levels down
- > Conducting noise training for construction workers
- > Collecting noise measurements during construction activities
- > Using construction equipment that is less noisy
- > Constructing temporary walls to keep noise within construction areas
- > Scheduling construction activities at times that have the least amount of impact to the public



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