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**New Trolley System to Hit San Fernando Streets Starting November 10**  
*Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Replica Trolleys to be Unveiled Saturday*

A new trolley system will hit San Fernando streets starting November 10.

The trolleys will run daily on two routes, using 28 stops to link the city's residential and commercial areas. Stop waits average 10 minutes. Hours of operation are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekdays, and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekends.

Service is free through the remaining year. Cost per ride starting January 1: 25 cents.

The trolleys were purchased with grants totaling \$365,000. Monies were made available through Congressman Howard L. Berman and the South Coast Air Quality Management District.

Plans are underway to expand the trolley system within the next two years. Berman recently secured another \$2.5 million in grants for three more trolleys, interactive trolley stops and other improvements.

A trolley unveiling on November 8 represents the City's ongoing participation in the U.S. Department of Energy's Clean Cities Program. The first phase of participation is already complete, resulting in the City's fast-fill compressed natural gas (CNG) station at 120 Macneil St.

"Using CNG to run the trolleys – and using our new station to fuel them – was critical in securing the grant funds," said City Public Works Director Ron Ruiz.

The CNG-powered trolleys produce 80 percent fewer emissions than conventional public transit buses, and on average, cost 20 to 40 percent less to fuel than those powered by diesel or gasoline.

According to Ruiz, the new trolleys do more than get people around town. "They're cheap to operate, they lend a historic aspect to San Fernando and most importantly – they help reduce congestion and that means better air for all of us."

"They definitely support the City Council's vision for a greener San Fernando," said Mayor Nury Martinez.

For more information, call (818) 898-1290 or visit [www.sfcity.org](http://www.sfcity.org).

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**TROLLEY PREVIEW**

**November 8, 2008, 9 -11 a.m.**  
**San Fernando City Hall**  
117 Macneil St., San Fernando

- Be the first to ride the new trolleys with Congressman Howard L. Berman and the San Fernando City Council.
- Test drive the newest Honda vehicle that uses CNG – a clean energy source.
- Check out classic cars from *Elegant Customs by Dean*.

**- ADMISSION IS FREE -**

