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DOT AWARDS \$11 MILLION FOR BOSTON TRANSIT IMPROVEMENTS

Secretary of Transportation Brock Adams today announced \$11,276,576 in grants for rapid transit improvements in metropolitan Boston, Massachusetts.

"This is the beginning of an 11-year program of major track improvements on 47 miles of the MBTA's 183 miles of rapid transit," Adams said. "This project will modernize two miles of the Green Line's Arborway Line in Jamaica Plain."

Two grants are made to the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) by the Department's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA).

UMTA Administrator Richard S. Page noted that the second grant is for major Red Line station modernizations. "The first phase of a three phase program includes providing accessibility for elderly and handicapped persons at seven stations, including major downtown Red Line stations," Page said.

Eleven Red Line station platforms will be lengthened under this project.

The Red Line grant totals \$2,023,100 (MA-03-0056). The Green Line track improvement grant totals \$9,253,476 (MA-03-0057).

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A local source of additional information is Mr. Andrew C. Hyde, Assistant Director of Construction, Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority, 50 High Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02110 (617) 722-3118. (UMTA Project Nos. MA-03-0056 and MA-03-0057).

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