



NEWS RELEASE

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RTD Implements Service Reductions and Changes

(Stockton, CA) – On October 4, San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) will implement service reductions and changes due to decreased state and local funding. RTD designed the reductions and changes after carefully reviewing services to determine the routes and times with the least ridership, in order to affect as few of its customers as possible.

Background

In March 2009, the City of Stockton and RTD jointly conducted a Comprehensive Operations Analysis (COA) of RTD transit services within Stockton. The COA studied transit ridership and performance efficiency by conducting extensive bus observation trips throughout the RTD system. Due to continued state and local operating budget reductions, an Early Action Plan (EAP) for service modifications was developed to reduce current operating costs. The EAP determined the effectiveness of RTD routes, provided recommendations for service changes to remove the service with the lowest ridership to affect the least number of customers, and recommended removing some service and reallocating the remaining services.

At its August 2009 meeting, RTD's Board of Directors approved the implementation of the following: 1) continued implementation of the January 25, 2009 emergency service reductions as a result of state and local operating budget constraints; 2) adoption of the EAP, which recommended further reductions and changes to RTD's service; and 3) the introduction of the Metro Hopper, which is designed to supplement the Stockton Metropolitan Area Dial-A-Ride service provided by RTD. These service modifications were recommended to the Board by RTD staff after conducting six public hearings throughout San Joaquin County during the month of July to gather public input, in accordance with RTD policy.

The attached route and service matrix summarizes the service reductions and changes that will begin October 4.

For more information on the service reductions and changes, please call RTD's Customer Information Line - (209) 943-1111 or 1-800-HOW-TO-RIDE (1-800-469-8674) or visit our website, www.sanjoaquinRTD.com.

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ATTACHMENT: October 4, 2009 Route and Service Changes Matrix



**PROPOSED EARLY ACTION PLAN SERVICE IMPLEMENTATION
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 4, 2009**

Route	Schedule Changes	Route Changes	Modifications for October 4, 2009
1	New	New	Provide service between Wagner Heights (O'Connor Woods) in North Stockton, Social Security Office, West March Lane, and the Mall Transfer Station. Fixed route with deviation service.
2	New	New	Provide service between Wagner Heights (O'Connor Woods) in North Stockton, Sutter Gould Medical Center, Lincoln Center, and the Mall Transfer Station. Fixed route with deviation service.
3	New	New	Provide service between the Mall Transfer Station, East March Lane, West Lane, Kaiser Medical Offices, Inglewood Drive, Morada Lane, Holman Road (Walmart), and Rio Las Palmas. Fixed route with deviation service.
4	New	New	Provide service between the Mall Transfer Station, University of the Pacific, Miracle Mile, Plymouth Square, Dameron Hospital, Steamboat Landing, DTC, University Park, Saint Joseph's Hospital, and California Street. Fixed route with deviation service.
6	New	New	Provide service between the DTC, Steamboat Landing, Lever Boulevard, Weston Ranch, VA Clinic, and San Joaquin County Hospital. Fixed route with deviation service.
7	New	New	Provide service between the DTC, Eastland Plaza, Health Clinic on Hazelton, Mariposa Road (K-Mart), Airport Way, South California Street, and VA Clinic, and San Joaquin County Hospital. Fixed route with deviation service.
8	NA	NA	Discontinue service
19	Yes	No	Schedule service for event nights only
40	Yes	No	Improve connections at the Hammer Triangle with Route 73
51	No	No	None
52	No	No	None
53	No	No	None
54 (910)	Yes	Yes	Operate additional Late Night trip replacing Route 910 Service
55	No	No	None
60	No	No	None
61	Yes	Yes	Add Late Night service now operated by Route 950
62 (Brookside) Refer to Route 74	NA	NA	Replace service with Route 74 Limited Weekday trips operating on March Lane to Deer Park Drive only. Discontinue service on Route 62 service (Riverbrook, Brookside, and Feather River Drives)
62 L (McClellan)	NA	NA	Discontinue service to Benjamin Holt Drive and McClellan Lane
62 (Bianchi) Refer to Route 74	NA	NA	Replace service with Route 74 trips
63	No	No	None



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Route	Schedule Changes	Route Changes	Modifications for October 4, 2009
64	Yes	Yes	Interline Saturday & Sunday/Holiday Service with Route 65, operate once every two hours
65	Yes	Yes	Interline Saturday & Sunday/Holiday Service with Route 64, operate once every two hours. Longer range of hours.
66	Yes	Yes	Discontinue Saturday & Sunday/Holiday Service
70 Refer to New Route 345	Yes	Yes	Replace service with new Route 345 Limited Weekday Service
71	No	No	None
73	Yes	No	Improve connections at the Hammer Triangle with Route 40 Metro Express
74	Yes	Yes	Add Weekday trips added and extend route to West March Lane and Deer Park Drive replacing Route 62 Service
75	No	No	None
76	No	No	No Weekday changes. Discontinue Late Night Route 940 Service.
77	No	No	No Weekday changes. Discontinue Late Night Route 940 Service.
80	Yes	Yes	Add Late Night service now operated by Route 950
81	No	No	None
82 Refer to New Route 310	Yes	Yes	Replace with new Route 310 Limited Weekday Service
83	Yes	Yes	Add Late Night service now operated by Route 940
310	Yes	Yes	Operate New Limited Weekday Route with peak hour service replacing the service now provided by Route 82
320	No	No	None
330	No	No	None
340	No	No	None
345	Yes	Yes	Operate New Limited Weekday Route with peak hour service replacing the service now provided by Route 70



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350	No	No	None
360	No	No	None
370	No	No	None
380	No	No	Modified morning trip to improve connections at the DTC
390	No	No	None
910	NA	NA	Discontinue service
920	NA	NA	Discontinue service
930	NA	NA	Discontinue service
940	NA	NA	Discontinue service
950	NA	NA	Discontinue service
23	Yes	Yes	Add Weekday trips during morning and evening peak travel times.
24	NA	NA	Discontinue service. Refer to Route 93 for alternative service between Lodi transportation Station and Kaiser Medical Facility located on Hammertown Drive in Stockton. Refer to Route 23 for alternative service between Lodi Transportation Station and the DTC.
26	Yes	No	Remove two midday trips and add them as peak hour trips, one each in the morning and the afternoon.
27	No	No	None
90	No	No	None
91	Yes	No	Modified afternoon trip to improve connections at the DTC
93	No	No	None
94	NA	NA	Discontinue service. Passengers may use General Purpose Dial-A-Ride Service by making advance reservations 24 to 48 hours in advance
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