



NEWS

July 25, 2000

CONTACT: GARY WOSK/MARC LITTMAN
MTA MEDIA RELATIONS
(213) 922-2712/922-2700
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

RE-ROUTING OF MTA BUSES FOR DNC BEGINS JULY 29

The MTA plans to re-route 17 Metro Bus lines that serve downtown Los Angeles near the Staples Center beginning July 29 because of the Democratic National Convention (DNC).

The bus lines, originating as far south as San Pedro, north to Highland Park, west to Malibu, and as far east as El Monte, are being re-routed because the City of Los Angeles is converting two-way streets into one-way arteries in order to improve traffic flow. Other downtown streets are being completely closed due to security concerns and possible demonstrations. The MTA service area affected by these detours is approximately one-square mile. This area could increase as a result of unforeseen circumstances.

Metro Bus lines 33 and 333 will be re-routed beginning July 29.

On August 5 lines 30, 31, 56, 70, 81, including express lines 434, 436, 439, 442, 444, 445, 446 and 447 will be re-routed.

On August 11, service changes will affect lines 362 and 460.

Other lines that could potentially be re-routed include lines 27, 28, 83, 84, 85 and 328. The Metro Red Line subway and light rail Metro Blue Line also may be affected.

Service change notices with maps directing Metro bus passengers to alternate bus stops and streets will be distributed on buses beginning this week. Metro Bus patrons are advised to plan their trips early and allow extra travel time. On average, one-way trips downtown could take between 10 to 15 minutes longer than normal.

MORE...

Page 2 Re-routing of MTA Buses During Convention

Bus service will return to normal following the DNC, which runs from August 14 through August 17, after the City of Los Angeles returns the streets to their former state.

For specific Metro schedules and route information, call 1-(800)-COMMUTE or check the MTA's website at www.mta.net.

Metro Buses to be affected by National Democratic Convention/

Points of origin and destinations:

July 29:

Line 33/333 — Santa Monica to Patsaouras Transit Plaza/Union Station in downtown Los Angeles via Venice Boulevard.

August 5:

Line 30/31 — Pico and Rimpau to East Los Angeles.

Line 56 — Imperial/ Wilmington Station to downtown Los Angeles.

Line 70 — Downtown Los Angeles to El Monte via Garvey Avenue.

Line 81 — Eagle Rock to Harbor Freeway/I-105 Station via Figueroa Street.

Line 434 — Malibu to Patsaouras Transit Plaza/Union Station.

Line 436 — Ocean Park/Venice to Patsaouras Transit Plaza/Union Station.

Line 439 — Redondo Beach to Patsaouras Transit Plaza/Union Station.

Line 442 — South Bay Galleria Transit Plaza to Patsaouras Transit Plaza/Union Station.

Line 444 — Patsaouras Transit Plaza/Union Station to Torrance/ Rancho Palos Verdes.

Lines 445-446-447 — San Pedro to Patsaouras Transit Plaza/Union Station.

August 11:

Line 362 — Hawaiian Gardens to downtown Los Angeles.

Line 460 — Disneyland to downtown Los Angeles.

###