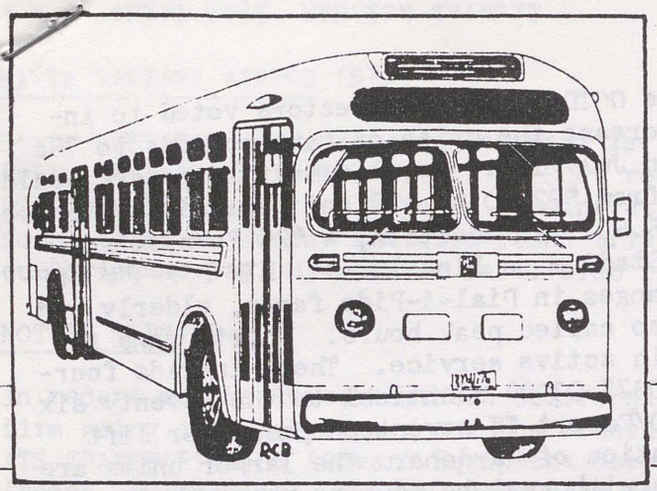


# Western Transit

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PACIFIC COAST SIGHTSEEING TOURS, INC. (PCST)

GARDEN GROVE: During February PCST inaugurated Tour III-KNOTTS BERRY FARM EXPRESS operating three routes beginning at hotels and motels around Disneyland and operating to Knotts Berry Farm. Daily except Saturday trips on all three routes depart Anaheim at 900AM, 1030AM, 1200PM, 130PM and Knotts at 1130AM, 100PM, 230PM, 400PM, 530PM and 700PM. On Saturdays additional trips leave Anaheim at 300PM, 430PM, 600PM and Knotts at 830PM, 100PM and 1100PM. Round trip transportation costs $5 for adults and $4 for children. Transportation plus Knotts Berry Farm Admission Ticket is $17 for adults and $13 for children. Three MCI MC-7s leased from AIRPORT SERVICE, INC. (#4104, 4105 and 4109) and relettered for PCST are utilized for this service. PCST's other tours - I-BEACH CITIES-NEWPORT HARBOR CRUISE and II-LOS ANGELES/HOLLYWOOD AT NIGHT and charter service using MC5 bus and Dodge vans continues to operate as before. In mid 1984 PCST applied for a certificate to operate a sightseeing tour beginning in Anaheim selling only round trip transportation both with and without Knotts Berry Farm admission tickets. Fares were to be charged on a per capita basis and a narrated tour to be provided enroute. This occurred about the time that sightseeing was deregulated by the Public Utilities Commission. FUN BUS SYSTEMS, INC. which operates between Anaheim and Knotts filed a protest. The PUC staff, after investigation, concluded that the application was not sightseeing as the operation would offer transportation between fixed termini, over a regular route, on a regularly scheduled basis and the tour guides would not stay with the passengers while visiting Knotts to narrate the scenes being visited and that a hearing would be appropriate. As of this time the Commission has yet to issue a formal decision and the service is operating as planned.

FUN BUS SYSTEMS, INC. (TTFB)

ANAHEIM: Effective February 1st several changes were made on the DISNEYLAND-KNOTTS Route 4 and the LAX AIRLINK service. On Route 4 service now operates hourly 900AM-1200PM picking up at hotels and motels on the west and south sides of Disneyland and hourly 930AM-1230PM serving hotels and motels on the east and north sides providing an average half hourly headway to Knotts and returning. After that trips depart the Disneyland Hotel at 200PM, 400PM and 600PM serving all Disneyland area hotels/motels as well as Movieland Wax Museum. During those periods when Knotts Berry Farm is open past 700PM there are two evening trips departing Disneyland at 800PM and 1000PM and Knotts one half hour later. The AIRLINK service was also adjusted. On Airport bound trips the pick up points are now served in the following order - Hilton Tower, Emerald Hotel/Disneyland Hotel, Fun Bus Terminal and Holiday Inn-Buena Park. The 500AM and 100PM trips from Anaheim (630AM and 230PM from LAX) were dropped so that service now operates hourly from Anaheim 600AM to 12 Noon and 200PM to 800PM with departures from LAX 730AM-130PM and 330PM to 930PM. Although one way fares remained the same ($8.75 for adults and $6.75 for children) round trip tickets are no longer being advertised. In the sightseeing arena the CALIFORNIA COAST LINER service (one way Los Angeles-Santa Barbara-San Luis Obispo-San Francisco tour) has been temporarily discontinued.

## ORANGE COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT (OCTD)

SANTA ANA: Following a public hearing on March 18th the OCTD Board of Directors voted to increase the adult off peak cash fare from 60¢ to 75¢, increase the price of fare coupons to 75¢ and increase the cost of all monthly passes beginning on July 1st. Regular monthly passes would rise from $25.50 to $28, student passes would increase from $22.50 to $25 and reduced fare passes (for elderly and handicapped) would rise from $14 to $15.50. In addition, a $25 Rams season pass, good for all season games of the Rams at Anaheim Stadium on Line 100-ANAHEIM STADIUM SERVICE will be introduced this year. There will be no changes in Dial-A-Ride fares, elderly and handicapped cash fares or the 75¢ cash fare during the so called peak hours. Thirty vans for the Dial-A-Ride system have been delivered and are now in active service. These include fourteen Ford Econoline ten passenger lift equipped vans (#0377-0390) identical to the seventy six units purchased last year and sixteen Ford Econoline 350/Escort II seventeen passenger lift equipped vans, all purchased from National Coach Corporation of Gardena. The larger units are fleet numbers 0401-0416, have 17 brown leatherette seats with seat belts, one wheel chair position, a regular door as well as a special door with Braun wheelchair lift and air conditioning. NCC has been awarded another purchase order for an additional ten 17 passenger vans and after these units are received the remaining 25 Transcoach small buses on the property will be able to be put up for sale. Bus 4061, a 40 foot Gillig Phantom, has received a special paint scheme promoting radio station KFOG as part of a cooperative advertising program. The sides of the bus have been painted solid black with the lettering "KFOG - The Rock Of The 80s" painted on each side in orange with blue trim reading "106.7", the position of the radio station on the dial. In a less dramatic arrangement Bus 3031, a GMC RTS II, will be outfitted with exterior advertising on all sides of the unit promoting the Pacific Amphitheatre, a outdoor theatre on the grounds of the Orange County Fairgrounds that features outdoor concerts. PA will be subsidizing the cost of all rides on the Line 100-ANAHEIM STADIUM SERVICE trips on the 100M branch from Mission Viejo and Laguna Hills to California Angel home games on weekends and this bus will be assigned to this service. Bus 4061 is to be assigned to a different line each month beginning with 43-HARBOR BOULEVARD in March and working its way around the OCTD system during the next year.

## LONG BEACH TRANSIT (LBT)

LONG BEACH: The Long Beach Promenade Tram service has been extended now that the Promenade has been extended all the way to Shoreline Village. The Tram starts at the Long Beach Shopping Plaza at Third & Promenade stopping at Broadway, 1st Street Transit Mall, Convention Center, Hyatt Regency Hotel and Shoreline Village. The SV terminal is actually about two stories above the Village and passengers may use either an elevator or a staircase to reach the Village. Equipment wise the Tram is now using two Harlan brand tractors (#990-991) to pull 24 passenger open sided trailers made by the Specialty Vehicles Manufacturing Company (#1-3). Two combos of a tractor and trailer each operate during the periods of ten minute service with one trailer as a spare and one tractor/trailer combo operates during periods of twenty minute headways. Service runs on Monday thru Saturday between 1000AM and 530PM on varying 10 and 20 minute headways and on Sunday between 1130AM and 530PM on a ten minute headway.

## CELEBRITY AIRPORT LIVERY (CAL)

WEST HOLLYWOOD: CAL is operating airport service between five hotels in the West Hollywood/Sunset Strip area and Los Angeles International Airport. Service operates on a two hour headway first trip 650AM and last trip at 850PM departing LAX 800AM and every two hours until 1000PM charging a one way adult fare of $8.50 and a child fare of $4.25. The CAL fleet includes brown and white Dodge/Wayne Busettes and at least one Transcoach, former OCTD 727

HAVE YOU MADE RESERVATIONS YET FOR THE MOTOR BUS SOCIETY SPRING MEETING IN SAN DIEGO ON MAY 4/5? IN OTHER WTS MEMBERS BY SUPPORTING AND ATTENDING THE MBS FUNCTION.

SANTA BARBARA AIRBUS (SBA)

SANTA BARBARA: Beginning on February 1st SBA added two new pick up points on its SANTA BARBARA-LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT route at Montecito (Miramar Hotel) and at Carpenteria (Seasons Restaurant). Service remains at seven round trips Monday through Saturday with six round trips on Sunday and five round trips on all holidays except that there is no operation on Christmas Day. Passenger fares also remained unchanged.

NOT IN SERVICE

In recent months three Southern California charter bus firms have gone out of business, one firm going into bankruptcy and the reasons for the other two unkn (to WT). The San Diego based ATS TRANSPORTATION (Howard Equipment Corporation dba) has filed bankruptcy and its vehicles (buses, automobiles, trucks) were sold at public auction. Known members of the bus fleet included MC 7s, MC 8s and TDM 5303s, all numbered in the 9600 series. ATS also provided sightseeing service in the San Diego area. The Ontario based CHRISTIAN CARRIERS with a fleet of about a dozen buses including PD 4107s, PD 4108s, MC 6s and Crown intercity coaches has also ceased operating. The last firm, TRIPLE CROWN COACHES, whose fleet included Eagles, is also out of business. With California regulations concerning charter carriers relaxed there has been a proliferation of new firms in the charter business and it is believed that the industry is now going through the "shake down process".

COMMUTER BUS LINES, INC. (CBL)

SACRAMENTO: During January following a California Highway Patrol inspection the PUC suspended CBL's Sacramento area authorities due to the finding of safety violations on its buses. Since that time the CHP conducted another inspection which CBL passed and the firm has now resumed operating the FOLSOM-SACRAMENTO service as well as the STATE SHUTTLE in downtown Sacramento. Plans for resumption of the Placer County and El Dorado County commute service are still being developed. CHP investigators indicated the maintenance was "much improved" over previous inspections, but in keeping with CHP practice close monitoring will be continued.

EUREKA TRANSIT SERVICE (ETS)

EUREKA: The Eureka City Council has voted to contract with the HUMBOLDT TRANSIT AUTHORITY to operate ETS for a period of thirty months beginning next July 1st. HTA's bid of $243,785 per year was, roughly, $12h,000 less than the present operator's cost. Bishop Transit Service has been operating the ETS since 1971 and the contract was renewed each year without the City calling for bids. However, this year bid requests were forwarded to about fifteen prospective bidders. The HTA bid was lower primarily due to a section in HTA's union agreement which calls for a "Small Vehicle Operator" starting at $4.62 per hour. A driver operating a vehicle with less than 33 seats is considered a Small Vehicle Operator. The regular HTA pay scale for the 50 passenger buses starts at $6.40 per hour.

COUNTY TRANSIT (CT)

SAN JOSE: CT is currently is process of restoring two Old Look GMC buses which were members of the original CT fleet on opening day - January 1, 1973. When fully restored both coaches will be used in limited service. The first is former SAN JOSE CITY LINES 6512 (TDH 4512/3263), the last 4512 produced which has been repainted into the white, green and yellow "fruit salad" colors. The other unit is CT 66, formerly PEERLESS STAGES, INC. 266, and TD 4506/032. The bus had been used by PSS on its San Jose suburban routes and was purchased by them from the LOS ANGELES METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY where it was 2692. Coach 66 is going to be restored to the PSS white, red and yellow livery.

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (LACTC)

LOS ANGELES: On March 27th the LACTC endorsed the building of a light rail line between downtown Long Beach and downtown Los Angeles. In Long Beach the alignment will follow Long Beach Boulevard from downtown to Willow Street, then along the former Pacific Electric Right Of Way through North Long Beach, Carson, Compton, Willowbrook, Watts and South Los Angeles. In downtown Los Angeles the line would travel along Washington Blvd and Flower Street to Seventh, the last five blocks along Flower in a subway. The project could be operational during 1989 and would include 22 stops along the way. However, the City of Compton voted to oppose the rail line unless the LACTC would construct the rail line below ground and east of downtown along Alameda. City officials have stated that the downtown business district is already plagued with traffic snarls caused by railroad freight lines. Early in the two year planning process the Commission considering the rail line but rejectedly it as too costly. Commission members have informed Compton officials that they will have until April 9th to reconsider their decision or other corridors will be considered such as the Century Freeway or proposed Pasadena or San Fernando Valley rail lines. Political opinion suggests that this corridor will be first to receive new rail service, however. Earlier this year the LACTC voted to commit $110 million to 14 Los Angeles County transit operations when the 50¢ fare program ends in June. The plan contains incentives for the operators to keep fares from increasing over 50 per cent above current levels.

CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (PUC)

SAN FRANCISCO: Listed below are recent applications to or decisions of the Commission:

Eureka-Redding Stages, Inc. dba REDWOOD EMPIRE LINES has been granted authority to remove territorial restrictions between Eureka and California Highway 299.

M. S. Ness et al dba SAN DIEGO EXPRESS has been authorized to transfer its certificate to SAN DIEGO EXPRESS, INC. and add additional service between San Diego International Airport and Hotel Circle in San Diego's Mission Valley area.

CAIDEZAN, INC. has been granted permission to acquire control of CALIFORNIA PARLOR CAR TOURS, INC. through acquisition of outstanding stock from GREYHOUND LINES, INC.

J. P. Foster dba FOSTERS TRANSPORTATION SERVICE applied to transfer his passenger stage certificate (Bakersfield - Taft) to W. D. Thomas.

Redskins, Inc. dba PIELES ROJAS has filed for a certificate between San Ysidro and Otay Mesa.

GREAT AMERICAN STAGELINE, INC. has been authorized to increase its fares by nine per cent and to begin serving Carpenteria on its SANTA BARBARA-VENTURA COUNTY-INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT line. All fares to and from LAX were increased by $1 and intercity fares were rounded to the nearest dollar (generally a ten cent reduction).

COMMUTER BUS LINES, INC. has filed for a passenger stage certificate home to work service between Sacramento, San Francisco and intermediate points.

J. H. Blizzard dba EASY RIDE COMMUTE has filed for a permanent home to work certificate between points in Vacaville, intermediate points and the United Air Lines Maintenance Base.

LAS VEGAS-TONOPAH-RENO STAGE LINE, INC. has received permission to abandon its certificate be- Los Angeles and Death Valley National Monument and intermediate points.

The Commission is supporting Senate Bill 215 (Rosenthal, D-Los Angeles) as introduced related to unlawful advertisement by unlicensed charter party carriers of passengers.

LASTSHOPE LINES (SEQUOIA STAGES dba)

SAN FRANCISCO: ESL has been a San Francisco Bay Area charter operator for many years and has the distinction of holding the first Class "A" Charter Party Certificate - TCP 1-A. TCP's came into being in 1967 as the result of state legislation regulating charter party carriers of passengers. ESL and its associated companies, CREATIVE TOURS, INC. and NORTHWEST COACH LINES, INC. dba NATIONAL COACH SERVICES operate an interesting fleet of buses in the Bay Area. This roster information is divided into three sections - ESL vehicles in active service, CTI buses and ESL buses which operate in limited service.

| FLEET NOS | BUILDER | MODEL/SERIAL | YEAR | SEATS | NOTES |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 306 | GMC | PD4106/1202 | 1962 | 45 | Miami Gray Line 121 |
| 308 | GMC | PD4107/705 | 1967 | 41RR | |
| 309 | GMC | PD4107/522 | 1966 | 45 | Brush Hill Transp 6613 |
| 310 | GMC | PD4107/271 | 1966 | 45 | McGinn Bus Co 6603 |
| 312 | GMC | PD4107/834 | 1967 | 45 | Franciscan 193, GLW 7934 |
| 336 | GMC | P8M4905A/926 | 1974 | 49RR | American Pacific Stage Co 921 |
| 341 | MCI | MC9/BP036085 | 1981 | 47RR | Cleveland-Lorain Hwy Coach 83 |
| 342 | MCI | MC9/BP036086 | 1981 | 47RR | Cleveland-Lorain Hwy Coach 84 |
| 360 | GMC | PD4903/358 | 1969 | 53 | ex 329, Tamiami Trail Tours 4547 |
| 361 | GMC | P8M4905A/473 | 1973 | 53 | ex 333 |
| 362 | GMC | PD4905/242 | 1971 | 53 | Trombly Motor Coach 240 |
| 363 | GMC | PD4905/243 | 1971 | 53 | Trombly Motor Coach 242 |
| 364 | GMC | PD4903/363 | 1969 | 53 | Tamiami Trail Tours 4548 |
| 365 | GMC | PD4903/334 | 1969 | 53 | ex 330, Gulf Transport 1608 |
| | | | | | |
| 30 | AMC | StaWgn/A7A887H209108 | 1977 | 6 | SAMTRANS - |
| 443 | GMC | SDM4501/071 | 1961 | 45 | AC Transit 176 |
| | | | | | |
| 27 | GMC | PDA4104/179 | 1949 | 32 | APSC 27, Union Pacific Stage 27 |
| 117 | GMC | TDH4509/042 | 1949 | 45 | MPT 117, ACT 1915 |
| 314 | GMC | PD4104/3836 | 1958 | 45 | Airporter 303, San Simeon Stages |
| 422 | TWIN | 30A/25702 | 1935 | 30 | KSTL, East Bay Transit |
| 429 | GMC | TDH4507/1083 | 1947 | 45 | SSL 2303, BTL 661, LAMTA 6064 |
| 431 | GMC | TDH4801/529 | 1958 | 48 | ACT 2102, KSTL 2102 |
| 712 | GMC | TDH4517/1167 | 1961 | 21 | ACT 712 (cut down to 30' unit) |
| 1921 | GMC | TDH4509/048 | 1949 | 45 | ACT 1921, KSTL 1921 |
| 2103 | GMC | TDH4801/530 | 1958 | 48 | ACT 2103, KSTL 2103 |
| 3001 | GMC | TDH3612/202 | 1949 | 36 | Rock Island-Moline City Lines 300 |
| 9804 | GMC | TDM5303/008 | 1965 | 53 | SAMTRANS 9804, GLW 9604 |

MARK IV CHARTER LINES (MARK IV)

GARDENA: MARK IV is operating ski bus service from several Southern California locations to Mammoth Mountain with buses departing on Friday evening and returning from Mammoth each Sunday afternoon at 330PM with a dinner stop in Bishop. The service is known as the SKIER'S EXPRESS and at least one MC 8 bus has been festively painted up depicting various winter and ski scenes. Two routes are operated - TORRANCE-WEST LOS ANGELES-NORTHRIDGE-MAMMOTH and COSTA MESA-CERRITOS-GLENDALE-MAMMOTH. There is one pick up point in each city and the one way fare from all points is $25.00 and the round trip fare is $40.00. Group charter service from the Los Angeles area as well as the San Diego area is also available.

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SUPERBUS ASSOCIATES (SA)

SAN JOSE: The San Jose based Superbus Associates, financed with a $1.4 million investment from about fifty private investors and seven years of personal effort in organizing a partnership on the part of Joseph Fitzgerald, began displaying, last fall the "Superbus" which consists of a tractor connected to a detachable, 27 foot long passenger module outfitted with air conditioning, seats, windows and closed circuit television. Fitzgerald has indicated that the bus is more maneuverable, cheaper to maintain and safer for drivers and patrons than standard buses. Fitzgerald said that his group would build the passenger modules with assistance from the City of Industry based Utility Trailer Manufacturing Company which would construct the vehicles outer shell. The tractors would come from other manufacturers such as Mack, International-Harvester or General Motors. Fitzgerald's main business is the Nose Cone Manufacturing Company located in Buena Park which produces air deflectors for large trucks for better aerodynamics. Testing was expected to begin during the winter months, initially at the SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT, and followed by a tour of other transit agencies with original plans to begin selling the units during this spring (Ed. Note - As far as WT knows the testing cycle has not yet begun).

PROPOSED INTRA COMMUNITY TRANSIT SYSTEMS

LOS ANGELES: Funded by tax revenues from Proposition A three Los Angeles County cities are looking toward implementing intracity community bus systems. The cities include Lawndale, located in the South Bay; Bellflower located in the southeast portion of the county; and Alhambra in the West San Gabriel Valley. The Lawndale City Council has awarded PACIFIC BUSING, INC. a contract to operate a free fare shuttle which will operate a circuitous route seven days per week from 600AM to 700PM using two buses, designed to resemble the Pacific Electric Red Car. Inauguration day has yet to be decided but it is expected to be shortly. In Bellflower the City Council has authorized the city staff to prepare a letter of agreement with Transit Contractors (ATE/Wilmington Cab) to study and design a local bus system, most likely a four route, small bus, circulator type network. Another consultant, Lewis Polin & Associates, had recommended expansion of the existing Dial-A-Ride system instead of a new fixed route system, but the city's Public Transit Advisory Committee voted to recommend the new system instead and proposed this to the council. The City of Alhambra is presently discussing with the Great Western Trolley Lines of Phoenix, Arizona a program to operate a two vehicle system within the city running Monday through Saturday between 10AM and 6PM charging a 25¢ fare using buses that resemble old fashioned streetcars. Other cities have had preliminary discussions about using Proposition A funds to fund transit and many of them presently support or operate Dial-A-Ride systems usually for the elderly and handicapped. As additional details on these systems become available they will be reported.

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AS THE GM SEES - BY WILLIAM VALLOW

I would like to encourage all WTS members to attend the Motor Bus Society convention in San Diego on May 4th and 5th. It will be well worth your time and effort to travel to San Diego. Buses will depart the Mission Valley Inn each morning at 830AM. MBS puts on a first class show as those of us who attended the Los Angeles and San Francisco conventions can attest. John McKane is coordinating this effort and either he or I can supply further information.

Once again I am asking if anyone is willing to take over as General Manager. WTS needs someone with more contacts and time than I have if the members are interested in more activities and excursions. I want to be as active as possible, but I find that career pressures with resulting time constraints are making it difficult even to attend the monthly entertainment meetings If interested please contact me. I am willing to continue what I'm currently doing, but I would like the Society to experience a spurt in growth and activities which it could with a General Manager who is more active than I am able to be. Please think about it and thank you.

## LAS VEGAS TRANSIT (LVT)

LAS VEGAS: Transit in Las Vegas continues to be provided by a private firm, a division of the FIRST GRAY LINE CORPORATION, operator of Gray Line franchises in Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Palm Springs and San Diego. LVT operates a series of eleven local lines, ten within Las Vegas and one in Henderson. These include 1-HYDE PARK, 2-NORTH LAS VEGAS, 3-SALT LAKE HIGHWAY, 4-BOULDER HIGHWAY, 5-HUNTRIDGE, 6-THE "STRIP", 7-COLLEGE PARK, 8-GOLF RIDGE, 9-VEGAS HEIGHTS, 10-UNIVERSITY and 11-HENDERSON. Lines 1 through 10 originate/terminate downtown. Generally speaking service operates hourly 545AM-745AM, 915AM-515PM and 645PM-845PM with the breaks after 745AM and 515PM for bus operator's lunch periods. Lines 2 and 9 operate their last trip at 515PM and Line 3 operates half hourly during the rush hours. Line 6 operates every 15 minutes between 700AM and 1245AM, half hourly between 1245AM and 245AM and hourly between 415AM and 630AM. Line 6 operates with T6H5308As 5375-5379 and RTS 04s 4521-4525. All other lines operating out of the downtown area use Grumman 870s 4601-4612. Line 11-HENDERSON gets TDH 4510 #4511. On the lines assigned 870s the line number is the same as the last number of the coach except 4601 is a spare along with 4606 and 4612. Line 1 gets 4611. The second bus on Line 3 is one of the spares. LVT has a fleet of three dozen transit buses as listed below.

| FLEET NOS | BUILDER | MODEL/SERIAL | YEAR | SEATS | NOTES |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4510-4511 | GMC | TDH4519/899-900 | 1965 | 45 | Ex 4550-4551 |
| 4512-4513 | GMC | T6H4521A/331-332 | 1969 | 45 | Ex 4552-4553 |
| 4514 | GMC | T6H4521A/739 | 1971 | 45 | Ex 4554 |
| 4515-4516 | GMC | T6H4523A/505-506 | 1973 | 45 | Ex 4555-4556 |
| 4517-4520 | GMC | T6H4521A/248-251 | 1969 | 45 | Ex SUN VALLEY BUS LINES 401-404 |
| 4521-4525 | GMC | T8020A/810395-810399 | 1981 | 45 | |
| 4601-4612 | GrFlx | 40102-6T/94476-94487 | 1982 | 46 | |
| 5371-5374 | GMC | T6H5306A/011-014 | 1968 | 53 | Ex 5301-5304 |
| 5375 | GMC | T6H5306A/865 | 1972 | 53 | Ex 5305 |
| 5376-5377 | GMC | T6H5308A/221-222 | 1974 | 53 | Ex 5306-5307 |
| 5378-5379 | GMC | T6H5308A/449-450 | 1976 | 53 | Ex 5308-5309 |

## SUN CITY AREA TRANSIT (SCAT)

EL PASO: The planned service on SCAT Routes 10, 11 and 53 (WT 3/85) have been delayed until at least July as the changes would have required four more bus operators than SCAT has funds to employ. The 53-VISTA DEL SOL change will include the introduction of accessible service on a SCAT fixed route line although HANDI-SCAT will continue to operate as it does now. Personnel wise both Karl Tesch, the Public Transit Administrator and Raymon "Buzz" Barlow, the Assistant Administrator both resigned during March. Tesch' resignation was planned while Barlow left as soon as he was passed over for the Acting Administrator position which was given to Tony Movsesian, an Assistant City Attorney and SCAT's legal adviser. Mayor Jonathan Rogers appointed Movsesian at this time because of the pressing legal problems SCAT is experiencing, particularly in personnel administration areas. Plans are now in the works for a second election to create a Rapid Transit Authority in the El Paso area with the election for this purpose programmed for this August.

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| -NEW- | | | | |
| Orange Belt Stages | 200 | TMC | MC9/T14/14 4443 | Addtl info |
| Orange County Transit | (0377-0390 | Ford | SuperVan/- | 0377 is 17185, |
| | ( | | | 0381 is 17188 |
| | (0401-0416 | Ford | Econ350/EscortII/- | 0407 is 72144 |
| -USED- | | | | |
| Red Carpet Lines | (7077,7079, | B&C | 01SE/7077,7079 | CWL 14755, 14757 |
| | (7185 | B&C | 01SE/7185 | ABL 25751 |
| | (8063 | MCI | MC7/- | |
| | (7382 | B&C | 01SE/7382 | STS 32785 |
| Barstow Fun Trip Tours | 401,414 | MCI | MC7/- | Mark IV 401, 414 |
| Tradewinds Charters | unkn | MCI | MC8/- | GLW 2254 |
| Scenic Airlines | 02 | MCI | MC9/34100 | --- 7902 |
| Desert Pacific Stages | (189 | GMC | PD4107/157 | Okanogan Valley Bus |
| | ( | | | Lines 55 |
| National Executive Airlines | 5903 | GMC | PD4107/1257 | ASI 5903 |
| Wades Truck Repair (Hesperia) | 1017 | GMC | TDH5303/3050 | OCTD 1017 |
| Conestoga Hotel (Anaheim) | unnumb | GMC | TDH5303/5822 | Queen City Metro 581 |
| Royal Hyway Tours | (unkn | Flxible | 53102/mixed | AC Transit 8001,02, |
| | ( | | | 03,07,11,18,20,21, |
| | ( | | | 25,27,28,29,32,34 |
| -DISPOSITIONS- | | | | |
| Peerless Stages, Inc. | 238 | GMC | PD4101/333 | to Ralph Cantos |
| Culver City Municipal Bus Lns | (4505 | GMC | T6H4521A/4489 | to pvt party |
| | (4508 | GMC | T6H4521A/4492 | to Eastshore Lines |
| AC Transit | 520 | GMC | TDH5301/1982 | to Hotel Eastshore |

Commuter Bus Lines is currently advertising for sale in Sacramento, Los Angeles and San Diego unknown PD 4104s, TDH 4519s, TDH 5303s, MC 7s and Crowns.

Golden Gate Transit is presently taking sealed bids for the sale of several of their buses including four MC 5Bs and two 1965 model TDH 4519s and one TDH 4517 which have been cut down to thirty footers and equipped with wheelchair lifts.

HUMBOLDT TRANSIT AUTHORITY (HTA)

EUREKA: Beginning April 1st the HTA moved its base of operation from 6700A North Highway 101 in Eureka to 133 V Street in Eureka. The move has provided the agency with substantially greater shop area and is also closer to downtown Eureka.

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