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SANTA MONICA'S BIG BLUE BUS (BBB)

SANTA MONICA: **BBB** will implement service changes on six of their current lines *(WT 3/11)* and inaugurate a new "Ride" line on August 28th.

Changes on 1-SANTA MONICA BLVD-VENICE and 2-WILSHIRE-VICTORIA-VENICE include—Line 2 will operate only as far south as Main and Hill while select Line 1 weekday trips will be extended east of Venice Circle to Venice and Walgrove along Line 2's current routing. On weekends, selected Line 1 trips will be extended to Lincoln & California.

Headways on 7-PICO will be widened while *RAPID 7* buses become more frequent and the line is extended to the METRO RAIL LINE Wilshire/Western Station.

Line 7 morning frequencies will remain the same, between 930AM and Noon the current 10 will become 15, from Noon to 700PM 10 will become 12 and from 700PM to1000PM every 15 minutes will become 20.

Sixteen new NABI 60-BRT articulated buses (5300-5315) will now be assigned as the *RAPID 7 (*Line 27*)* is extended from Pico & Rimpau to Wilshire & Western via Pico, Crenshaw, Wilshire and looping via Western, 6th, Oxford and Wilshire.

Headways will be every 15 minutes 600AM-600PM, 20 minutely 600PM-800PM and half hourly 800PM-1000PM.

Line 10-LOS ANGELES EXPRESS will be converted into *RAPID 10* style by reducing the number of street stops it makes. However, the line will continue along the same route and operate during its' current hours.

Originally proposed for discontinuation, Line 13-AIRDROME-CHEVIOT HILLS will be retained with four morning westbound trips departing Rimpau Transit Center at 654AM, 724AM, 802AM and 832AM and four afternoon eastbound trips departing Pico & Westwood at 230PM, 335PM, 440PM and 550PM.

Line 13 operations on Saturday will be discontinued.

NEW to the **BBB** system will be the DOWNTOWN RIDE, a clockwise loop beginning and ending at the Civic Center Parking Structure at 4th & Civic Center Drive and operating along Civic Center, 3rd, Olympic, Main, Colorado, 2nd, Santa Monica and Fourth to Civic Center.

DOWNTOWN RIDE will operate on Monday thru Friday 700AM-1000AM and 330PM-730PM.

In addition to the sixteen 5300 series advance design, articulated buses, **BBB** is also taking delivery of an order of NABI 40LFW buses. They ordered nine buses with options for up to 58 more CNG powered, low floor units over four years *(WT 3/10).*

At press time, there were at least 11 on the property (3868-3878) with many of them already in service.

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PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (PUC)

SAN FRANCISCO: Below are applications before and decisions of the California Public Utilities Commission:

APPLICATIONS

TERRA MOTO TRANSPORTATION, INC. has applied for an on-call PSC (PSC-23919) between San Diego Airport and the City of San Diego and points in the Counties of San Diego, Orange, Los Angeles and Riverside and to establish a ZORF.

DECISIONS

NOSE BEARD ENTERPRISES, LLC. has been authorized to operate as a passenger stage corporation (PSC-27391) throughout San Luis Obispo County on Thursday thru Saturday operating three routes during late evenings with a fleet of 15-passenger vans.

GOLDEN STAR EXPRESS, LLC has been granted PSC 27733 authorizing on-call, door-to-door passenger operations between points in the Counties of Imperial, San Diego, Orange, Los Angeles, Riverside, San Bernardino, Kern, Tulare, Fresno, Monterey, Santa Clara, San Francisco, Alameda and Sacramento and between points in Los Angeles and San Diego Counties and area airports and to establish a ZORF.

Mohammad Zarif, an individual, has been granted PSC-26103 to operate between points in Solano, Napa, Sonoma, Marin, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Alameda, Contra Costa and San Joaquin Counties and Bay Area airports with a ZORF.

The application of *Jaipal Singh, an individual* to transfer (PSC-18481) to *Abdul Abuzaid, an individual* (PSC-27667) has been granted — Bay Area airport shuttle.

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"PAGES FROM THE PAST"

(Headline stories or other news items from past issues of WESTERN TRANSIT as we relive transit history)

AUGUST 2006 – MARIN COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT assumed responsibility for local bus service within the county from **GOLDEN GATE TRANSIT** including changing routes, schedules and fares on May 1st following voter approval of a half cent sales tax for transportation.

AUGUST 2001 – A major three route expansion of **PUBLIC RURAL RIDE** plus the start up of **DOUGLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT** and **LYON COUNTY TRANSIT** took place in the Carson City/Fallon area of northern Nevada.

AUGUST 1996 – NORTH ORANGE COUNTY SMART SHUTTLE or **VAN GO**, **the Pick Up Artist,** began operation of a system which was a hybrid of fixed route and demand response in Brea, Placentia and Yorba Linda.

AUGUST 1991 – An all Dial-A-Ride system in the city became **BASTOW AREA TRANSIT** (three fixed routes using three buses) with Dial-A-Ride continuing in the county areas of Hinckley and Yermo/Daggett.

AUGUST 1986 – Two new Proposition A shuttles, **MONTEREY PARK TROLLEY COMPANY** (five lines and five Specialty Vehicle motorized trolley vehicles) and **ROSEMEAD SHOPPERS EXPRESS** (one two-way loop with a fleet of three Econoline/Aerotechs) began operations.

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LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (LADOT)

LOS ANGELES: The City Council is set to award two five-year contracts for COMMUTER EXPRESS and DASH services *(WT 11/10)*.

The first is a $64 million agreement with *COACH AMERICA* to operate Region 2 COMMUTER EXPRESS (San Fernando Valley lines) and DASH Package 3 (San Fernando Valley) with operations to be housed at the former *ANTELOPE VALLEY BUS, INC.* Sylmar yard on Foothill Blvd (also used for other contracts over time).

The second contract is with *MV TRANSPORTATION* for $118 million covering Region 1 COMMUTER EXPRESS (Westside and South Bay), DASH Package 4 (Pico/ Union, El Sereno/City Terrace, Boyle Heights), Package 5A (Watts, Vermont/Main, Chesterfield Square), Package 5B (Wilmington, San Pedro) and all three CITYRIDE services. *MV* plans to continue using their current garages.

An RFP to include the DOWNTOWN DASH, DASH Package 1 (Koreatown, King East, Southeast, Pueblo Del Rio, Crenshaw, Midtown and Leimert/Vernon) and Package 2 (Hollywood, Hollywood-Wilshire, Beachwood Canyon, Los Feliz, Chinatown/Lincoln Heights, Eagle Rock and Highland Park) is scheduled to be issued in the next few months.

LADOT increased fares on August 1st, the final phase of changes approved by the City Council in June 2010.

DASH cash fare is 50 cents, senior/disabled 25 cents. COMMUTER EXPRESS cash fares range from $1.50 to $4.25, depending upon distance (a series of five zones).

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGIONAL RAIL AUTHORITY (SCRRA)

LOS ANGELES: Funded by Orange County, 6 weekday afternoon and evening trains began operating July 5th between Fullerton and Laguna Niguel/Mission Viejo. This program is called the Metrolink Service Expansion Program or MSEP. *(Ed. Note - the train is based in Oceanside so the first afternoon northbound and last evening southbound trips begin or end in Oceanside).*

In cooperation with **NORTH COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT, METROLINK** is operating Del Mar Race Track service this year on Saturday and Sunday between July 23 and September 4.

One round trip is offered departing Los Angeles 1040AM and arriving Solana Beach 247PM serving all stations except Commerce and San Clemente. Return train departs Solana Beach at 645PM.

Special $28 round trip Del Mar/Solana Beach tickets are valid from all **METROLINK** stations on weekends.

Free shuttle service is offered by the *BRITISH BUS COMPANY* between Solana Beach and Del Mar for passengers arriving at Solana Beach Station..

SPANISH LANGUAGE BUS COMPANIES

LOS ANGELES: **EL PASO-LOS ANGELES LIMOUSINE EXPRESS, INC.** is now serving East Los Angeles at 4425 East Olympic (originally a **GOLDEN STATE** terminal, then **EXPRESS AMERICA** then **AUTOBUSES COORDINATOS DE NAYARIT (ACN)** on its LOS ANGELES-PHOENIX-EL PASO route. Other area terminals include Los Angeles at 6th and Wall, El Monte and Colton. The firm is now advertising connections in El Paso with **LIMOUSINES DE MEXICO, S. de R.L. de C.V.** for Mexican points including Chihuahua and Torreon.

TUFESA INTERNATIONAL is now advertising LOS ANGELES-PHOENIX and LOS ANGELES-LAS VEGAS trips. The Las Vegas bus departs Los Angeles at 700AM, spends six hours there with passengers receiving a $25 in refunds. Los Angeles area stations include Los Angeles, East Los Angeles, Huntington Park, Ontario and Colton.

AUTOBUSES FRONTERAS DEL NORTE expanded its SAN YSIDRO-YAKIMA, WA route *(WT 06/09)* and now also serves Pacoima (new station at Van Nuys and Laurel Canyon), Modesto and Corning with a new branch route serving Medford, Salem and Portland, OR, Seattle and Mt. Vernon, WA.

FDN is celebrating 20 years in business by offering a 20 percent discount on tickets priced at $100 or more and offering a ten percent discount on lesser priced tickets.

NORWALK TRANSIT SYTEM (NTS)

NORWALK: **NTS** will implement a number of service reductions on September 19th on Routes 2-PIONEER-STUDEBAKER, 3-NORWALK BLVD-SANTA FE SPRINGS-WHITTIER, 5-EAST ROSECRANS, 7-WHITTIER LOCAL and 8-WHITTIER-CERRITOS.

On Line 2, the segment Firestone Blvd/Curtis & King via Hoxie will be rerouted directly onto Firestone. Line 3 will drop weekday midday and all day Saturday service on the segment between Pioneer & Telegraph and the Downtown Whittier Depot.

Line 5's Saturday service will be discontinued as will all weekday trips after 740PM. Line 7 will be dropped.

Two segments of Weekday only Line 8 will be dropped — between the Whittier Depot and Gateway Plaza Mall (Carmenita & Telegraph) and between METROLINK Station and Carmenita & Leffingwell.

(Ed. Note—Interestingly, ***NTS*** *5 was part of* ***LACMTA*** *125 while* ***NTS*** *8 was* ***LACMTA*** *275 and they were both transferred to reduce the operational costs of low productivity services to be able to retain the service).*

VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (VCTC)

VENTURA: Passage of Senate Bill (SB) 716 in 2009 requires that by July 1, 2014 all Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds in Ventura County must be used exclusively for transit.

VCTC has broadened the scope of a study originally intended to be about **VENTURA INTERCITY SERVICE TRANSIT AUTHORITY** into a more comprehensive Regional Transit Study of the overall organization of transit within Ventura County.

The study is to develop a vision and guiding principles for transit in the county and to consider alternative organizational and institutional structures that can assist in achieving that vision.

Since 1994, **VCTC** has operated **VISTA** offering intercity transit countywide and community transit in the Highway 126 corridor. While successful, the system has been operated as a confederation of seven separate operations which has contributed to operating and funding challenges affecting both **VCTC** and the riders.

The other systems within the county include **GOLD COAST TRANSIT**, **CAMARILLO AREA TRANSIT, MOORPARK TRANSIT, OJAI TROLLEY SERVICE, SIMI VALLEY TRANSIT, THOUSAND OAKS TRANSIT, OAK PARK DIAL-A-RIDE** and **VISTA DIAL-A-RIDE.**

As the study has progressed, the Commission accepted certain Ad Hoc Steering Committee recommendations for evaluation criteria—keep communities whole, which means communities should retain their current levels of service, increase connectivity, improve local service and maintain a level of local influence and control.

The Committee reviewed a series of organizational alternatives and determined two of the methods worth further study—Full Consolidation and Moderate Consolidation with Subordinate Operating Entities.

Full Consolidation would include one countywide entity for policy, funding and operations.

The specific type of subordinate entities under Moderate Consolidation have yet to be determined and could be a combination of Transit Districts, Joint Powers Authority, federation or other. **VCTC** would perform the role of Managing Entity, handling funding and some level of planning.

GOLD COAST TRANSIT (GCT)

OXNARD: During the period of August 8-11, **GCT** experienced a significant shortage of available bus operators and service around the system was cancelled each day. Each day was different depending upon who called in.

The **GCT** web-site was updated each morning and during the day should changes occur. The **GCT** Facebook page and Twitter were also updated. The individual trips to be cancelled that day were listed.

This condition was the response to direction from their union, Service Employees International Union Local 721 who has been in labor contract negotiations with **GCT** to replace the previous contract that expired last October 31st. The contract covers bus operators, maintenance workers and administrative staff.

On August 11th, following a closed session meeting, the **GCT** Board directed their legal counsel to make contact with the union to resolve this matter and have bus service return to normal as soon as possible.

On the morning of Friday, August 12th, **GCT** General Manager Steve Brown issued a press release that all bus operators were reporting for work and that bus service was fully restored on all routes.

SOLANO COUNTY TRANSIT (SOLTRANS)

VALLEJO: On July 1st **SOLTRANS** officially took over the transit programs in the cities of Vallejo and Benicia by combining **VALLEJO TRANSIT LINES, VALLEJO RUNABOUT** and **BENICIA BREEZE** *(11/10).*

VT has operated seven bus routes within Vallejo and four intercity routes to **BART** and several Solano County cities while **BB** operated fixed routes, flex routes and Dial-A-Ride in its service area.

Jim McElroy (of **UNITRANS** and an **LACMTA** Sector General Manager in the early days of the program) has been appointed the Executive Director and the three previous service contracts have been merged into one,

still with *MV TRANSPORTATION,* and operations merged into the former **VT** garage on Broadway. The mergers are expected to save **SOLTRANS** $800,000 annually over the previous multiple systems.



SolTrans Gillig Hybrid 3911, is ex-Vallejo Transit 3911.

Although passengers will not see any changes initially, the next step is development of a five year budget and operations plan.

SOLTRANS should soon be taking delivery of 21 Gillig BRT model hybrid-electric buses previously ordered by both **VALLEJO** and **BENICIA**.

BAYLINK FERRY (BF)

VALLEJO: A slim downed **BAYLINK** ferry and bus fleet to transport riders between Vallejo and San Francisco took effect on August 1st.

The number of ferry trips dropped from 12 to 10 while the number of Route 200 buses declined from 14 to 5.

Some key changes included replacing the 845AM weekday ferry with a bus and eliminating nine weekday bus trips scheduled near to ferry departure times.

Vallejo was able to maintain early morning trips to The City (first ferry at 530AM) and late evening return trips to Vallejo (last bus at 1030PM).

NAPA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AND PLANNING AGENCY (NCTPA)

NAPA: Bus service in Napa County may soon include a route over the hill to Sonoma, potentially linking the county to a large array of transit agencies in the North Bay.

The proposed route between Napa and Sonoma was developed as a part of **NCTPA's** ongoing route realignment study.

If implemented, the route would initially be aimed at commuters with service operated during weekday commuter hours. A $3 one-way fare is proposed.

The proposed route would offer more direct service to Sonoma County than **VINE** Route 11-CALISTOGA-SANTA ROSA, discontinued last year after five years of subpar performance. Starting in downtown Napa would make the service accessible to larger number of riders.

NCTPA will apply for $70,000 in federal funding for projects that link urban and rural areas and will also require an additional $56,000 in local Transportation Development Act funds, that come from the state, to fully fund one year's worth of operation.

GOLDEN GATE TRANSIT (GGT)

SAN RAFAEL: As a member of the Zero Emission Bay Area (ZEBA) demonstration project, **GGT** will soon add two Zero Emission buses (hydrogen powered, low floor, 40-foot Van Hool A330s) to its fleet.

The buses will be scheduled on Routes 10, 22, 23, 29, 40, 42 and 92.

The buses are fueled by hydrogen and, when combined with oxygen, creates water and electricity. As the buses do not burn the fuel they use, they operate without releasing nitrogen oxides, particulates or carbon dioxide into the environment.

They have a range of 220-240 miles and their batteries recharge during braking to provide extra power for acceleration and climbing steep hills.

ZEBA includes **GGT, AC TRANSIT, SAMTRANS, SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL RAILWAY** and **VALLEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY.** Together, they will be operating one dozen ZEBs.

SUNSET EMPIRE TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT (SETD)

ASTORIA: **SETD** has donated eight older, excess buses in the fleet to county and state entities. Five buses will go to the Sunset Empire Parks and Recreation District for $1 each, two needing repairs and all averaging 300,000 miles. Two vans will go to the Veteran's Administration in Salem and the last, a 1998 Bluebird, will be used and destroyed in a fire department training exercise as part of an annual ODOT and Oregon Transit Association conference in Seaside.

The City of Cannon Beach agreed to pay for bus service seven days per week during the summer from 1100AM to 600PM. The $47 per hour service, Route 12, will operate Fare Free from June 16 to September 30.

The bus will serve Les Shirley Park, Candy Kitchen, Coaster Theatre, Tolovana and Haystack.

SETD, ODOT and the Port of Astoria may have found a legal way to provide cruise ship shuttle service by offering a new fixed route between the Port and downtown Astoria and allowing anyone to buy a Day Pass and ride. *(Ed. Note—earlier this year the agency was told to cease the shuttle buses operated for the cruise ships as they were being operated as charter service in violation of Oregon and federal rules).*

KITSAP TRANSIT (KT)

BREMERTON, WA: **KT** is requesting bids from firms or private owners interested in providing six model year 1995 through 1998 used MCI 102D3 motor coaches or an approved equal.

These buses would join the fleet of 34 used MCIs already under purchase (replacing reconditioned former **OCTD** Gilligs) for the Worker/Driver home-to-work fleet.



PUGET SOUND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY (SOUND TRANSIT)

SEATTLE, WA: A new fare structure for **ST** *EXPRESS* buses was implemented on June 1st — King County became one zone, trips that begin and end within a single county will have a one zone fare ($2.50), adult trips that cross a county (zone) line will cost $3.50 and one-zone youth fares will cost $1.25.

LINK light rail fares will increase 25 cents with a base fare of $2.00 with five cents added to the base fare for every mile traveled.

ST recently signed a $14.6 million contract with Motive Power, Inc. for the purchase of three locomotives for the expansion of *SOUNDER* regional rail (Everett-Seattle-Tacoma-Lakewood). These engines are options on a recent **SAN JOAQUIN REGIONAL RAIL COMMISSION** (Stockton) order with delivery scheduled to begin in June 2012.

TRANSPORTATION AND WASHINGTON LEGISLATION

OLYMPIA, WA: Legislation was recently introduced in the Senate by Senator Scott White, D-Seattle and in the House by Rep. Marko Liias, D-Edmonds, (the Local Transit Act, SB5874, HB2016) that would provide local transit agencies the ability to pursue voter approved funding for transit. The bill would allow agencies to select from a variety of local, equitable tax sources.

Potential tax sources would include — progressive motor vehicle excise tax based on vehicle value, vehicle license fee based on annual mileage, fuel efficiency based tax that rewards clean and efficient vehicles and allowing the local sales tax to be applied to gasoline.

At this time, transit agencies receive about 70 percent of their revenue from local sales tax. With these revenues volatile and falling short due to the recession, it is not a viable long term revenue source.

REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION OF SOUTHERN NEVADA (RTC)

LAS VEGAS, NV: The **RTC** has awarded Creative Bus Sales a $6.6 million contract for the purchase of 102 Ford Econoline/Starcraft brand cutaways with one 50 bus option to be exercised by June 2013 and a second 50 bus option to be exercised one year later. These units will be used in the specialized services fleet.

NEVADA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (NTA)

LAS VEGAS, NV: The August 2011 meeting included several bus transportation related issues.

DOUGLAS PARKING, LLC applied for an expansion of operating authority under Contract Carrier Permit MV-6144 to provide passenger transportation services under a contract with the Cosmopolitan Hotel.

Trade Show Services, Ltd dba PRO-TECT SECURITY for a contract carrier permit to provide prisoner transportation services pursuant to a contract with the State of Nevada.

The Joint application of *Booth Creek Ski Holdings, Inc.* for authority to sell and transfer and of *Vail Resorts, Inc.* to purchase and acquire *Trimont Land Company, inc. dba NORTHSTAR AT TAHOE RESORT,* a carrier authorized to provide intrastate charter bus service within the state of Nevada under CPCN 2140.

LACMTA CONTRACT BUS SERVICE DIVISION
Los Angeles, California

FLEET #	BUILDER	MODEL	SERIAL #	YEAR	LINES OPERATED ON
Division 95—SOUTHLAND TRANSIT, INC., Baldwin Park *(Eastern Region)*					
3127-3144	NABI	31LFW.02	9A140230-247	09/10	Lines 177, 254, 256, 605
3145	NABI	31LFW.02	9A140252	09/10	Lines 177, 254, 256, 605
7007, 7009	NABI	040.08	Y1140121, 123	02/00	Lines 266, 270, 577
7010, 7012	NABI	040.08	Y1140124, 126	02/00	Lines 266, 270, 577
7047, 7048	NABI	040.08	Y1140161, 162	03/00	Lines 266, 270, 577
7050, 7057	NABI	040.08	Y1140164, 171	03/00	Lines 266, 270, 577
7060, 7061	NABI	040.08	Y1140174, 175	00/00	Lines 266, 270, 577
7065, 7083	NABI	040.08	Y1140179, 197	00/00	Lines 266, 270, 577
7084, 7091	NABI	040.08	Y1140198, 205	00/00	Lines 266, 270, 577
7092, 7094	NABI	040.08	Y1140206, 208	00/00	Lines 266, 270, 577
7120, 7129	NABI	040.08	Y1140234, 243	00/00	Lines 266, 270, 577
7140, 7141	NABI	040.08	Y1140254, 255	00/00	Lines 266, 270, 577
7143, 7146	NABI	040.08	Y1140257, 260	00/00	Lines 266, 270, 577
7168	NABI	040.08	Y1140282	00/00	Lines 266, 270, 577
7331	NABI	040.08	1A140049	04/01	Lines 266, 270, 577
7785, 7786	NABI	040.18	1A140722, 723	00/01	Lines 266, 270, 577
7787, 7839	NABI	040.18	1A140724, 776	00/01	Lines 266, 270, 577
7873, 7937	NABI	040.18	1A140810, 874	00/01	Lines 266, 270, 577
7938, 7940	NABI	040.18	1A140875, 877	00/01	Lines 266, 270, 577
7941, 7943	NABI	040.18	1A140878, 880	00/01	Lines 266, 270, 577
Division 97—M.V. TRANSPORTATION, INC., Carson *(Southern Region)*					
3146-3149	NABI	31LFW.02	9A140253-256	09/10	Lines 607, 625
11001	Orion	06.501	Y6600429	2000	Lines 125, 128, 130, 205, 232
11002-11045	Orion	06.501	Y6600495-538	2000	Lines 125, 128, 130, 205, 232
11047-11067	Orion	06.501	Y6600540-560	2000	Lines 125, 128, 130, 205, 232
Division 98—VEOLIA TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, Los Angeles *(Northern Region)*					
3100-3126	NABI	31LFW.02	9A140203-229	09/10	Lines 218, 603
7000	NABI	040.08	XA140439	00/99	Lines 96, 167
7001-7003	NABI	040.08	YA140115-117	02/00	Lines 96, 167
7031, 7058	NABI	040.08	YA140145, 172	03/00	Lines 96, 167
7059, 7068	NABI	040.08	YA140173, 182	03/00	Lines 96, 167
7110, 7130	NABI	040.08	YA140224, 244	00/00	Lines 96, 167
7148	NABI	040.08	YA140262	00/00	Lines 96, 167

The Joint application of *Resort Express, Inc.* for authority to sell and transfer and of *All Resort Group, Inc.* to purchase and acquire *All Resort Coach, Inc. dba LEWIS STAGES,* a carrier authorized to provide intrastate charter bus service within Nevada under CPCN 2147.

MIDLAND-ODESSA URBAN TRANSIT DISTRICT (EZ RIDER)

MIDLAND/ODESSA, TX: The two separate city transit divisions of **EZ RIDER** in Midland and Odessa will be joined together on September 1st with the establishment of the "*EZ EXPRESS*" route along Highway 191.

Three round trips on weekdays mornings, one midday round trip and three afternoon peak hour trips are planned with operations contracted to intercity and charter bus operator **ALL ABOARD AMERICA.**

Proposed stops include Midland College and Midland Park Mall in the Tall City and University of Texas of the Permian Basin and Music City Mall in Odessa.



A $1.6 million grant, including federal funds and Texas Department of Transportation money, was secured to fund the first three years of this program.

EQUIPMENT REPORT

(All properties are located in California unless otherwise noted)

PROPERTY	FLEET #'S	BUILDER	MODEL/SERIAL #'S	DATE	NOTES
-NEW-					
THE BUS (HI)	50-59	Gillig	—/A1179174-183	00/10	
	201-224	Nova Bus	LFS40102/A4000113-136	00/10	1
-USED-					
Victor Valley TA	307	Bluebird	CSRE-3408/1F099528	00/01	2
Trans Metro	716	Neoplan	AN340A/RL013108	10/94	3
-DISPOSITIONS-					
Santa Barbara MTD	501-504	Flxible	40102-6C/ND103723, 683, 696, 701	11/92	4
	505-508	Flxible	40102-6C/ND103694, 719, 717, 700	11/92	4
Antelope Valley TA	311	Gillig	40102TB6V92TA/N1084573	00/92	4
	715-717	Neoplan	AN340A/RL013107-109	10/94	4
	720-722	Neoplan	AN122/3/TL013156-158	05/96	4
	721	Neoplan	AN122/3/TL013157	07/96	4
	722	Neoplan	AN122/3/TL013158	08/96	4
	3809-3810	Ford/ElDorado	Econoline/Aerotech/6HA93101-102	00/06	4
	300001-300002	Ford/ElDorado	Econoline/Aerotech/YHB93078-079	00/00	4
	300003-300004	Chevy/ElDorado	2500/Van/1111292, 363	00/01	4
Laguna Hills Leisure World—, —		Orion	02.501/N6005714, 53—	00/92	4

Notes:
1. Additional information.
2. Ex Santa Maria Transit 186 via A-Z Bus Sales.
3. Ex AVTA 716.
4. For sale at Ken Porter Auctions, Gardena, CA, July 9, 2011.

GOLDEN GATE TRANSIT received sealed bids for 44 used buses with bid opening on August 9, 2011 for the following buses:

514, 515	New Flyer	D60	LU013625, 640	00/90
516, 517	New Flyer	D60	LU013627, 628	00/90
518, 519	New Flyer	D60	LU013637, 630	00/90
520, 521	New Flyer	D60	LU013634, 644	00/90
1190, 1191	TMC	T8O206	MR828268, 269	00/91
1194, 1196	TMC	T8O206	MR828272, 274	00/91
1198, 1203	TMC	T8O206	MR828276, 281	00/91
1214, 1215	TMC	T8O206	MR828315, 316	00/91
1217, 1229	TMC	T8O206	MR828318, 330	00/91
1233, 1235	TMC	T8O206	MR828334, 336	00/91
1237	TMC	T8O206	MR828338	00/91
1300	Nova Bus	T8O206	VR832474	00/97
1301-1310	Nova Bus	T8O206	VR832575-583	00/97
1401, 1405	Flxible	40102-4T	RD104873, 877	00/94
1414, 1415	Flxible	40102-4T	RD104886, 887	00/94
1417, 1421	Flxible	40102-4T	RD104889, 895	00/94
1424, 1432	Flxible	40102-4T	RD104896, 904	00/94
1434, 1435	Flxible	40102-4T	RD104906, 907	00/94
1437, 1438	Flxible	40102-4T	RD104909, 910	00/94
1440	Flxible	40102-4T	RD104912	00/94





LEFT: *Golden Gate Transit New Flyer D60 519.* ***RIGHT:*** *Golden Gate Transit Flxible Metro's 1438 & 1414. Both photos by AgentAOQ.*