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MTA ANNOUNCES NEW BUS SCHEDULES, SERVICE CHANGES; SERVICE IN SAN FERNANDO VALLEY RESTRUCTURED, BUSES REROUTED TO SERVE GREEN LINE

Effective Sunday, June 25, MTA will make bus schedule and route changes throughout its Los Angeles County service area in keeping with its regular practice of adjusting schedules every six months in order to most efficiently serve bus and train riders.

Included in this adjustment will be the implementation of the first phase of the San Fernando Valley Transit Restructuring study, which is designed to improve coordination of service in the Valley, including with other Valley service providers. The study recommends route adjustments to nine existing lines, the introduction of three new lines, and the cancellation of six lines.

Also included are adjustments to 21 MTA bus lines that will be rerouted to serve the Metro Green Line, which will begin operation August 12.

MTA's three new lines that will begin Sunday are:

Line 233 (Lakeview Terrace-Van Nuys Blvd.) -- Line 233 will originate at Eldridge Avenue and Terra Bella Street in Lakeview Terrace and provide local service along Van Nuys Boulevard between Foothill and Ventura boulevards. It will replace portions of service formerly provided by Line 560. New limited stop bus service will be provided along Van Nuys Boulevard between San Fernando Road and Ventura Boulevard via new Line 561.

Line 522 (Reseda Blvd.-Ventura Blvd.-LACC) -- Line 522 will replace former

Line 240 (Reseda Boulevard). Line 522 will provide continuous service from

Devonshire Street along Reseda Boulevard, Ventura Boulevard, Hollywood Freeway

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and Vermont Avenue to Los Angeles City College. Line 522 passengers destined to downtown Los Angeles via the Hollywood Freeway may transfer at the Hollywood Freeway and Western Avenue bus stop to Lines 424 and 425.

Line 561 (LAX-San Diego Freeway-Van Nuys Blvd.-San Fernando Express
Limited) -- Line 561 will originate at the Sylmar/San Fernando Road Metrolink
station and provide local service along portions of Truman Street, San Fernando
Road to Van Nuys Boulevard. Trips will continue in service making limited stops
along Van Nuys Boulevard between San Fernando Road and Ventura Boulevard. A
combination of local and express service will be provided along Ventura Boulevard,
the San Diego Freeway and Sepulveda Boulevard serving Westwood, Culver City,
Westchester and the LAX Transit Center. Service will be extended to the
Aviation/I-105 Metro Green Line station shortly after the line opens. New express
and limited service provided by Line 561 will replace portions of former Line 560
service. Local service will be provided along Van Nuys Boulevard via new Line 233.

During late night and early morning periods, trips on Line 233 and Line 561 will be combined to provide both local service on Van Nuys Boulevard and express service to Westwood and LAX City Bus Center.

MTA lines to be <u>modified</u> as part of the San Fernando Valley Transit Restructuring study are as follows:

Line 96 (L.A.-Burbank-Sherman Oaks via Riverside Drive) -- This route will be modified to operate on Riverside Drive in Sherman Oaks and to Burbank Transit Center via Olive Avenue, First Street to the Transit Center and return via First Street to Olive Avenue and Glenoaks Boulevard.

Line 163 (Sherman Way-Sun Valley-Hollywood Way) -- The western terminal will continue to operate along Sherman Way to West Hills Medical Center; the eastern terminal will be modified to operate primarily via Hollywood Way through the Cahuenga Pass to Hollywood and Highland.

Line 164 (Victory Boulevard) -- Line 164 will be slightly modified to serve Warner Center via Victory Boulevard, Topanga Canyon Boulevard, Oxnard Street, Owensmouth Avenue and then return to Victory Boulevard.

Line 169 (Saticoy Street-Sunland Boulevard) -- The route will be modified to eliminate loop around B-G-P Airport and the eastern terminal extended to Mt. Gleason Avenue.

Line 181 (Hollywood-Glendale-Pasadena via Colorado Boulevard-Yosemite Drive) -- The eastern terminal of Line 181 will be extended to Pasadena City College at Colorado and Hill.

Line 212 (La Brea Avenue) -- Northbound route will end at Hollywood/Vine.

Line 236 (Balboa Boulevard-Rinaldi Street-Woodley Avenue) -- Northbound route will be modified to operate on Balboa Boulevard to Midwood Drive, continue via Paso Robles Avenue, Lorillard Street, Balboa Boulevard, Rinaldi Street and Woodley Avenue to Victory Boulevard. Service will be extended along Victory Boulevard and Van Nuys Boulevard to Ventura Boulevard.

Line 418 (L.A.-Roscoe Boulevard-Northridge Express) -- Westbound service will be extended on Roscoe Boulevard to Topanga Canyon Boulevard.

Line 425 (L.A.-Ventura Boulevard Express Limited) -- Limited stop trips will be provided northbound only in the morning and southbound during the afternoon rush hours.

Line 97 (L.A.-Burbank-North Hollywood via Riverside Drive) -- Most of this line will be replaced by Line 96.

Line 240 (Reseda Boulevard) -- Service to be replaced by Line 522.

Line 560 (LAX-San Diego Freeway-Van Nuys Boulevard) -- Service to be replaced by new lines 233 and 561.

MTA bus lines that have been <u>rerouted to serve Metro Green Line stations</u> are as follows:

Lines 45 and 345 Limited (Broadway-Mercury Avenue) -- Will be modified to serve the Harbor Freeway/I-105 Green Line Station via Broadway, 117th Street, Figueroa Street, Imperial Highway, to Broadway and then continue via regular route.

Line 53 (Central Avenue) -- Will be modified to serve the Avalon/I-105 Green Line Station via Central Avenue, 120th Street, Avalon Blvd., Imperial Highway to Central Avenue, and the continue regular route.

Line 81 (Figueroa Street) -- Line will terminate at the Harbor Freeway/I-105 Green Line Station. Service formerly provided along Figueroa Street between Imperial Highway and Rosecrans Avenue will be discontinued.

Lines 115 and 315 Limited (Manchester Ave.-Firestone Blvd.) -- Lines will be modified to travel via Firestone Boulevard, Studebaker Road, Imperial Highway and Hoxie Avenue to a new terminal established at the I-605/I-105 Green Line station in Norwalk. Service formerly provided from Studebaker Road along Firestone Boulevard and Pioneer Boulevard to Rosecrans Avenue will be partially replaced by Line 460.

Line 119 (108th Street) -- Service will be extended from Imperial Highway along Long Beach Boulevard to serve Long Beach Blvd./I-105 Green Line station.

Also, service will be provided to the Hawthorne/I-105 Green Line station via regular route.

Line 125 (Rosecrans Avenue) -- Line will be rerouted to serve the Douglas Street/Rosecrans Avenue Green Line station via Rosecrans Avenue, Apollo Street, East Park Place, S. Douglas then regular route. The line also will serve the I-605/I-105 Green Line station via Rosecrans Avenue, the I-605 Freeway, Imperial (MORE)

Highway offramp, Hoxie Avenue to the Green Line station. Service will return via Hoxie, Imperial, I-605 Freeway to Rosecrans, then regular route.

Line 126 (Yukon Ave.-Manhattan Beach Blvd.) -- Line will be modified to serve the Marine/Redondo Green Line station via Manhattan Beach Boulevard, Inglewood Avenue, Marine Avenue, Redondo Beach Avenue, to Manhattan Beach Boulevard and then continue on regular route.

Line 206 (Normandie Avenue) -- Line will be modified to travel from Normandie Avenue via Imperial Highway and Vermont Avenue to serve the Vermont/I-105 Green Line station. Service will continue via Vermont to its new terminal at 120th Street. Service formerly provided from Imperial Highway along Normandie Avenue to Rosecrans will be replaced by MTA Line 209 and Gardena Line 4.

Lines 207 and 357 Limited (Western Avenue) -- Lines will be extended from Imperial Highway via Western Avenue, 120th Street, Figueroa Street, 117th Street, Broadway, 120th Street, Wilmington Avenue, Imperial Highway and Willowbrook Avenue into the Imperial/Wilmington Green Line/Blue Line station.

Both lines also will serve the Harbor Freeway/I-105 Green Line station.

Line 209 (Van Ness-Arlington Avenues) -- Line will be rerouted from Van Ness Avenue along 135th Street, Normandie Avenue, Imperial Highway, and Vermont Avenue to serve the Vermont Ave./I-105 Green Line station. Service will continue via Vermont Avenue to its new terminal at 120th Street. Service formerly provided from 135th Street along Van Ness Avenue, Rosecrans Avenue to Crenshaw Boulevard will be replaced by Gardena Line 4 and MTA Lines 125 and 210.

Line 215 (Inglewood Ave.-Redondo Beach-Del Amo Center) -- Line will be rerouted from Inglewood Avenue along Marine Avenue to serve the Marine (MORE)

Avenue/Redondo Beach Avenue Green Line station. Service will continue via Redondo Beach Avenue to Vail Avenue and then continue via regular route.

Line 232 (Long Beach-LAX) -- Line will be rerouted from Sepulveda
Boulevard along Grand Avenue and Nash Street to serve the Mariposa Ave./Nash
Street Green Line station. Service will continue via Nash Street, Mariposa Avenue
to Sepulveda Boulevard then regular route.

Line 254 (Willowbrook-Huntington Park-Lorena St.) -- Line will terminate at the Imperial/Wilmington Green Line/Blue Line station. Service formerly provided on 120th Street between the Imperial/Wilmington Station and Imperial Highway and Western Avenue will be operated by MTA Lines 207/357.

Line 260 (Atlantic Blvd.) -- Line will be rerouted from Atlantic via Artesia Boulevard and Acacia Avenue to terminate at the Artesia Blue Line station. Service formerly provided from Artesia Boulevard along Atlantic Avenue, Long Beach Boulevard and Wardlow Road to Pacific Place (Wardlow Metro Blue Line station) will be provided by Long Beach Transit Lines 51, 52, 62 and 131. MTA Line 60 operates on Long Beach Boulevard.

Line 266 (Lakewood Blvd.-Rosemead Blvd.) -- This line will serve the Lakewood Blvd./I-105 Green Line Station, which is located along its regular route. However, the route of Line 266 will terminate at Lakewood Center Mall. Service formerly provided from Del Amo Boulevard along Lakewood Boulevard and Pacific Coast Highway to Channel Drive will be provided by Long Beach Transit Lines 93, 111, 112, 121 and 171.

Line 270 (Monrovia-El Monte-Cerritos) -- Line will be rerouted from Studebaker Road via entrance ramp to I-105 Freeway west at Hoxie Avenue, and into the I-605/I-105 Green Line station. Service will continue along Hoxie Avenue, exit ramp from I-105 Freeway east to Studebaker Road, then continue via regular route.

Line 439 (Los Angeles-LAX-Redondo Beach) -- The line will be rerouted from Sepulveda Boulevard via Imperial Highway and Aviation Boulevard into the Aviation/I-105 Green Line station. Service will continue via Aviation, Century Boulevard, Airport Boulevard, 96th Street and then continue via regular route. Service formerly operated along Sepulveda Boulevard between Imperial Highway and 96th Street will be provided by MTA Line 232.

Line 460 (Los Angeles-Norwalk-Disneyland) -- Line will be rerouted from Florence Avenue via Studebaker Road, Imperial Highway, Hoxie Avenue and into I-605/I-105 Green Line station. Service will return via Hoxie, Imperial Highway, to Pioneer Boulevard then continue via regular route.

Line 560 (LAX-San Diego Fwy.-Van Nuys Express) -- This line will be cancelled, to be replaced by new Lines 233 and 561.

MTA lines to be cancelled are as follows:

Line 97 (L.A.-Burbank-North Hollywood via Riverside Drive) -- Most of this line will be replaced by Line 96.

Line 208 (Beachwood Shuttle) -- LADOT will provide replacement service called the Community Connection.

Line 240 (Reseda Boulevard) -- Service to be replaced by Line 522.

Line 406 (L.A.- Sunland Express via Pennsylvania Avenue) -- Alternate service on portions of the line will be available on LADOT Commuter Express Line: 409, and MTA local lines 90/91.

Line 407 (L.A.-Sunland Express via La Crescenta Avenue) -- Alternate service on portions of the line will be available on LADOT Commuter Express Line 409 and MTA local lines 90/91.

Line 412 (L.A.- Burbank-North Hollywood-Valley Plaza Freeway Express).

Line 560 (LAX-San Diego Freeway-Van Nuys Boulevard) -- Service to be replaced by new lines 233 and 561.

SCHEDULE CHANGES

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The following lines will be cancelled effective July 3:

Blue Line Transfer

Highway Hummer

Local Limo

Rabbit Transit -- North

Rabbit Transit -- South

West Hills Loop (San Fernando Valley)

The following MTA lines will experience minor schedule or route modifications. Riders may write to MTA for a new timetable at P.O. Box 194, Los Angeles 90053, or call MTA Customer Relations at (213) 626-4455, (310) 320-9442 or (818) 443-1307 for schedule information:

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