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MTA Board Approves Service Changes in the San Gabriel Valley

- **Board Elects to Review 30-Day Impact Analysis for Line 260**

The MTA Board of Directors has approved a number of changes aimed at enhancing bus service in the San Gabriel Valley, and will analyze Bus Line 260 for a month to better determine impacts.

Board-approved changes, which become effective June 2003 or later, will integrate San Gabriel Valley bus lines with the Metro Gold (C) Line, scheduled to open this summer. Service changes are also part of MTA efforts to improve the utility and efficiency of its local bus operations. These changes are:

No.	Line Name	Description of Change
58	Alameda St.-San Pedro St.	Modify route to serve Chinatown Metro Gold (C) Line Station via North Main St., College St and Alameda St.
76	L.A.-Valley Blvd.-El Monte	Modify route to serve Chinatown Metro Gold Line Station via College St. and Alameda St.
84	Cypress Ave.-Eagle Rock Blvd.	Retain service along present route along San Fernando Rd. between Figueroa St. and Pasadena Ave. Service to Ave. 26 Station would be provided by Line 251 and new proposed limited stop Line 350.
85	Cypress Ave.-Verdugo Rd.	Retain service along present route along San Fernando Rd. between Figueroa St. and Pasadena Ave. Service to Ave. 26 Station would be provided by Line 251 and new proposed limited stop Line 350.
176	Glassell Park-Highland Park-Alhambra-El Monte	Modify route to provide direct access to Ave. 57 Station via Figueroa St., Ave. 59 and Monte Vista St. to the regular route of line along Ave. 50. Service levels to be improved to a 30-minute frequency.
177	La Canada-Flintridge- Monrovia-Pasadena-Duarte	Restructure line to serve Del Mar, Allen and Sierra Madre Villa Metro Gold Line Stations. Reroute line from California Ave. to Del Mar Blvd. between Fair Oaks Ave. and Hill Ave. to serve Del Mar Station. Line to serve Allen Station from Walnut St. and Hill St. via Hill St. and the 210 freeway frontage roads and Allen Ave. to Walnut St. and regular route. Line to serve Sierra Madre Villa Station from existing stops on Foothill Blvd.

181	Hollywood-Glendale-Pasadena-Pasadena City College	Extend route from the present terminal at Pasadena City College to the Sierra Madre Villa Metro Gold (C) Line Station via Colorado Blvd., Rosemead Blvd., Foothill Blvd., and Sierra Madre Villa Station.
188	North Fair Oaks Ave.-Colorado Blvd.-Duarte Rd.	Cancel line. Line 181 will provide replacement service along Colorado Blvd. on Fair Oaks Blvd. by Line 260, and from the Sierra Madre Villa Station to City of Hope by a rerouted Line 264.
251	Soto St.-Ave. 26	Restructure route south of Florence Ave. via existing route of Line 252 to Long Beach Blvd. Blue Line Station. Existing Line 251 service south of Florence Ave. to 103 rd St. Blue Line Station to be provided by new Line 681 Shuttle.
252	Soto St.-Long Beach	Shorten route. New shuttle route to replace Line 252 north of Marengo St. Line to operate along Soto St. between Marengo St. and Whittier Blvd.
255	Rowan Ave.-Griffin Ave.	Extend route from existing northern terminal at Figueroa St. and Ave. 43 to the French Ave. Station.
256	Eastern Ave.-Ave. 64- North Hill Ave.	Modify route to serve Ave. 57 Metro Gold Line Station, Monte Vista St., Ave. 61 and Piedmont Ave. Line to serve Allen Metro Gold Line Station from Hill St. and Walnut St. via Walnut St., Allen Ave. and Orange Grove Blvd. to Walnut St. then regular route of line.
260	Atlantic Blvd.-Los Robles Ave.	Modify route north of Huntington Dr. via Huntington Dr. and Fair Oaks Ave. to Loma Alta Dr.
264	Altadena Dr.-San Gabriel Blvd.-Montebello Town Center	Terminate service south of Foothill Blvd. at the Sierra Madre Villa Metro Gold Line Station. New shuttle Line 689 will provide service along route of the present Line 264 and the Montebello Town Center.
266	Lakewood Blvd- Rosemead Blvd.	Restructure line to serve Sierra Madre Villa Metro Gold Line Station and improve service frequency.
267	Temple City Blvd.- Del Mar Blvd.-Lincoln Ave.	Modify route to serve Sierra Madre Villa Metro Gold Line Station.
268	El Monte-Baldwin Ave.-Washington Blvd-JPL	<i>Modify route to serve Sierra Madre Villa Gold Line Station.</i>
350	Soto St. Limited	Limited stop service to be provided along the restructured route of Line 252.
361	Atlantic Blvd.-Fair Oaks Ave. Limited	Limited stop service to be provided along the restricted route of Line 260.
401	L.A.-Pasadena-North Allen Express	Cancel line; alternative service available between proposed Del Mar Metro Gold Line Station and Downtown Los Angeles via the Metro Gold Line.

483	L.A.-Altadena via Fair Oaks	Cancel line. The re-routed Line 260 and new limited stop line 361 will provide high frequency replacement service along Fair Oaks Ave. The new Metro Gold Line will provide transit service to downtown L.A. Augmented Line 485 will provide service to California State University- Los Angeles and subway service into downtown L.A.
489	L.A.-Hastings Ranch Exp.	Cancel route segment north of Huntington Dr.
681	103 rd St. Blue Line Station- Huntington-Pacific Shuttle	Establish new shuttle route to replace Line 251 south of Florence Ave.
686	Allen Ave.-Raymond Ave. Shuttle	Establish new shuttle route to replace local service operated by Line 401 within Pasadena and Altadena.
687	Los Robles Ave. Shuttle	Establish new shuttle route on Los Robles Ave. between Huntington Dr. and Woodbury Rd.
689	Montebello Town Ctr.-Sierra Madre Villa Shuttle	Establish new Montebello Bus Line shuttle route to replace Line 264 south of Sierra Madre Villa Gold Line Station.

MTA's motion to further study the effects of some bus line changes comes as a result of public feedback at MTA's Feb. 27 Board meeting, where local citizens discussed the impacts of specific bus line service changes on their own commutes. MTA will evaluate impacts to its entire system for a 30-day period and prepare an impact analysis for further Board consideration at its next meeting in March. The Board will then determine whether to keep services in place or make additional changes. This bus line is:

No.	Line Name	Description of Change
260	Atlantic Blvd.-Los Robles Ave.	Restructure route off of Los Robles Ave. onto Fair Oaks Ave. via Huntington Dr.

For Line 260, MTA will analyze the impact of adding "Limited Service" as an overlay to existing local bus services.

All Board-approved changes incorporate the feedback from the local community given during public hearings in January. These meetings allowed members of the San Gabriel Valley community to publicly comment on all MTA service changes. In many cases, proposed route changes were revised as a direct result of public comment, demonstrating that the MTA service sector concept of involving communities in the local management of bus operations is working.

MTA proposes bus service changes twice a year and works closely with communities within its five service sector areas to plan bus services that meet the needs of the community while also eliminating unproductive or duplicative bus route segments. When making bus service changes, MTA strives to provide better connectivity between bus and train services and to introduce new bus service where it is most needed.

The San Gabriel Valley Service Sector serves cities throughout the San Gabriel Valley and areas east of Downtown Los Angeles.

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