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Metro Service Sectors to Hold a Series of Public Hearings on Proposed Metro Bus Service Changes and Enhancements

Metro's five community-based service sectors will hold a series of public hearings in February to receive public input on a variety of proposed Metro Bus service changes and enhancements that, if approved, would be implemented in June.

One proposal coming from both the San Gabriel Valley and the South Bay Service Sector includes the creation of a new Line 910 that would operate between the El Monte Station and the Artesia Transit Center via the El Monte Busway and the Harbor Freeway Transitway enabling passengers to experience express bus service connecting the two transit centers through downtown Los Angeles.

Other enhancements include the rerouting of several bus lines to serve the Eastside Extension of the Metro Gold Line that is scheduled to open this summer.

Below is a list of the upcoming public hearings. Additional information can be obtained by visiting metro.net.

- *February 4, 2009, 6:30 p.m., **Metro San Fernando Valley***, Marvin Braude Constituent Center, 6262 Van Nuys Bl, Van Nuys
- *February 9, 2009, 6 p.m., **Metro San Gabriel Valley***, San Gabriel Valley Office, 3449 Santa Anita Av, 3rd Floor, El Monte
- *February 9, 2009, 6 p.m., **Metro South Bay***, Carson Community Center, 801 Carson St, Carson
- *February 11, 2009, 5 p.m., **Metro Westside/Central***, La Cienega Tennis Center, 325 S La Cienega Bl, Beverly Hills
- *February 12, 2009, 5:30 p.m., **Metro Gateway Cities***, The Gas Company, 9240 Firestone Bl, Downey

Affected bus lines and service proposals under consideration are listed below. These service changes are proposed to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the public transportation system through better use of resources. Approved changes will become effective June 28, 2009 or later.

Metro Westside/Central Service Sector

14Downtown LA-Beverly Hills via Beverly Bl.

Improve service from Line 714 resources

30-31 Pico/Rimpau-Monterey Park via Pico Bl & East 1st St

Restructure service for the Eastside Gold Line Extension; terminate Line 30 at Dozier/Rowan; remainder of service (on Hammel St and Floral Dr) to be served by restructuring Line 287; reduce service frequency on 1st St between Alameda St and Atlantic Bl.

220 West Hollywood-Culver City via Robertson Bl.

Discontinue service due to low ridership

704 Downtown LA-Santa Monica via Santa Monica Bl Metro Rapid

Adjust service levels; consider short line terminal at Santa Monica/Sepulveda

714 Downtown LA-Beverly Hills via Beverly Bl Metro Rapid

Adjust service levels and reallocate resources to Line 14

730 Downtown LA-Pico/Rimpau via Pico Bl Metro Rapid

Restructure service for the Eastside Gold Line Extension; downtown terminus to end at Little Tokyo/Arts District Gold Line Station

920 Santa Monica–Wilshire/Vermont via Wilshire Bl Metro Rapid Express
Adjust service levels; consider short line terminal at Wilshire/Westwood

Metro San Fernando Valley Service Sector

94 Downtown LA–Sylmar Station via San Fernando Rd
Shorten route to terminate in Sun Valley and reallocate resources to extend Line 794 to Sylmar Station

224 Olive View Medical Center–Universal City Station via San Fernando Rd, Lankershim Bl.
Maintain existing route and improve service levels

724 Sylmar Station–North Hollywood Station via San Fernando Rd, Lankershim Bl Metro Rapid
Discontinue entire line and reallocate resources to Lines 224 and 794

794 Downtown LA–Burbank Station via San Fernando Rd, Brand Bl Metro Rapid
Extend route from Burbank to Sylmar Station; reroute from Brand Bl. to San Fernando Rd; reduce service levels and apply savings to fund route extension

Metro Gateway Cities Service Sector

26-51-52-352 Hollywood–Compton–Artesia Transit Center via Avalon Bl.
Discontinue Line 26 route north of Wilshire Bl; alternative service may be provided by DASH; Lines 51, 52-352 to maintain existing routes; provide new two-way Owl service on Line 51

53Downtown LA–CSU Dominguez Hills via Central Av.
Discontinue one-way Owl service on Central Av. and consolidate trips on Avalon Bl/San Pedro St. to provide two-way Owl service on those corridors now served by Line 51 (see Line 51 above)

105 West Hollywood–Vernon via La Cienega Bl–Vernon Av.
Discontinue route segment east of Santa Fe Av; Line 611 to provide alternative service along the affected corridors

128 Compton Station–La Mirada via Alondra Bl.
Reroute to the Cerritos Towne Center; alternative service along Alondra Bl. between Carmenita Rd. and La Mirada Bl. provided by Line 460

254Boyle Heights–Watts via Maie Av, Boyle Av. & Lorena St.
Reroute line to serve Metro Gold Line Indiana Street Station

Metro San Gabriel Valley Service Sector

68 Downtown LA–Montebello via Cesar Chavez Av.
Discontinue route segment from Riggins St. and Atlantic Bl. to the Montebello Town Center; replaced by an extension of Line 287 from the Montebello Town Center to Atlantic Bl; continue on via Floral Dr. and Rowan Av. to Indiana Gold Line Station

177 La Cañada–Sierra Madre Villa via I-210, California Bl & Walnut St.
Discontinue route segment from Sierra Madre Villa Gold Line Station to Pasadena City College; service will be improved from every 30 minutes to every 12 to 15 minutes in peak periods; midday service will be eliminated

256 Commerce–Altadena via Eastern Av. & Hill Av.
Discontinue service

287 Montebello Town Center–Sierra Madre Villa Station
Extend west from the Montebello Town Center to Indiana Gold Line Station, providing service on Line 30 route portion on Floral Dr. and Rowan Av; route portion from Sierra Madre Villa Gold Line Station south to El Monte Station will be replaced by Line 487

484 Pomona–Downtown LA via Valley Bl & El Monte Busway
Route portion from El Monte Station to Downtown LA will be replaced by new Line 910

487 Sierra Madre Villa Station–Downtown LA via San Gabriel Bl & El Monte Busway
Extend from Sierra Madre Villa Gold Line Station along Line 287 route segment to El Monte Station

490 Pomona-Downtown LA via Ramona Bl & El Monte Busway
Route portion from El Monte Station to Downtown LA will be replaced by new Line 910

620 Boyle Heights via Cesar Chavez Av & State St.
Extend east to Indiana Gold Line Station

910 NEW! El Monte Station–Artesia Transit Center via El Monte Busway & Harbor Transitway
New express route connecting El Monte Station and Artesia Transit Center through Downtown LA (see South Bay Service Sector)

Metro South Bay Service Sector

111 LAX Transit Center–Norwalk Station via Florence Av.
Consider new shortline shuttle on weekdays between Figueroa St. and Pacific Bl.

124 El Segundo–Rosa Parks Station via El Segundo Bl.
Discontinue service upon identification of another provider for either a segment of the line or the entire route

125 El Segundo–Norwalk Station via Rosecrans Av.
Discontinue service west of Douglas Green Line Station upon identification of another provider

126 Manhattan Beach–Hawthorne Station via El Camino College
Discontinue service between Crenshaw Green Line Station and Century Bl; discontinue all service upon identification of another provider

207 Hollywood/Western Station–LA Southwest College via Western Av.
Shorten route to new north terminal at Sunset/Western; implement one-way turnaround loop to Hollywood/Western Red Line Station; alternative north of Sunset is Rapid Line 757

209 Wilshire/Western Station–Gardena via Van Ness Av.
Discontinue midday service and service south of Imperial Hwy

439 Union Station–LAX Transit Center Express via I-10 Fwy
Discontinue midday and weekend service east of Washington/Fairfax; alternatives include Line 35/335 on Washington Bl and Line 38 on Jefferson Bl.

444 Union Station–West Torrance–Rolling Hills–Rancho Palos Verdes Express
Discontinue service; service will be replaced north of Artesia Transit Center by new Line 910; service south of Artesia Transit Center will be canceled upon identification of another provider

445 Union Station–San Pedro Express
With implementation of new Line 910, operate faster service with just one stop on the Harbor Transitway north of Artesia Transit Center to serve Harbor Fwy Green Line Station

446/447 Union Station–Carson–Wilmington–San Pedro Express
Discontinue service north of Artesia Transit Center to be replaced with new Line 910; renumber remaining local service as Line 246/247

711 Inglewood Transit Center –Bell Gardens via Florence Metro Rapid
Discontinue Saturday and Sunday service; alternative is Line 111 on Florence Av.

910 NEW! El Monte Station–Artesia Transit Center via El Monte Busway and Harbor Transitway
New express route connecting El Monte Station and Artesia Transit Center through Downtown LA (see San Gabriel Valley Service Sector)

These proposals may be approved in whole or in part at a date following the public hearings. Approved changes may also include other alternatives derived from public comment. Interested members of the public are encouraged to attend the upcoming hearings and provide testimony on any service change proposal (public comments will not be restricted to just the bus routes operating in one geographical area). All public comment received will be forwarded to the responsible Sector Governance Council to be considered prior to taking action on the service change proposals.

Persons unable to attend the hearings may submit written testimony postmarked through February 14, 2009. Correspondence should be addressed to:

Metro Customer Relations, One Gateway Plaza, 99-PL-4, Los Angeles, CA 90012-2932 Attn: June 2009 Service Changes

Comments sent via e-mail should include in the subject line: "Service Changes June '09" to customerrelations@metro.net or fax to: 213.922.6988.

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