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MTA TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED METRO BUS SERVICE CHANGES

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) Board of Directors will hold a public hearing on Saturday, Oct. 7, 2000 to receive public comment on proposed route and schedule modifications for the following Metro Bus services: 1) Harbor Transitway service modifications, 2) Wilshire-Whittier Corridor service refinement, 3) Ventura Corridor services refinements, and 4) Other service changes.

The public hearing will begin at 10 a.m. in the third floor board room at MTA's headquarters, One Gateway Plaza, next to Union Station in downtown Los Angeles.

The following changes are proposed to improve service and access for passengers using the Harbor Transitway: Metro Bus lines 51, 351, 205, 445, 446, 447 and 550.

In the Wilshire/Whittier corridor lines 18, 20, 21, 22, 471, 720 are proposed to be restructured and/or canceled to reduce service duplication and better match service to customer demand.

In the Ventura Corridor, the following service is proposed to be restructured to improve services to customer demand: lines 150, 240, 750.

Other miscellaneous service change proposals designed to improve the operations of Metro Bus service are: lines 40, 42, 102, 107, 114, 220, 250, 253, 340, 402, 436, 442, 466, 484, 490, 491, 497, 620, 625.

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Service Changes...

The MTA Board of Directors will make a decision on the proposed service changes during its November meeting. If the changes are approved, the new services will be implemented by December, 2000 or later.

The MTA is providing the public brochures detailing service changes, route by route. This will be distributed on all Metro buses, and the service changes will be posted on the Internet page WWW.MTA.NET.

A more detailed booklet with maps, "Service Change Proposals Under Consideration at October 7, 2000 Public Hearing" is available by calling (800) COMMUTE.

Interested members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearing and provide testimony. Those persons unable to attend the hearing may submit written testimony postmarked through October 7, 2000. Correspondence should be addressed to: LACMTA, One Gateway Plaza, Los Angeles CA 90012-2932, Att: October 7, 2000 Public Hearing for **FY 2001 Service Changes**.

E-mail can be sent to: customerrelations@mta.net with **FY 2001 Service Changes** as the subject line. Facsimiles can be sent to (213) 922-4594, Att: **FY 2001 Service Changes**.

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HARBOR TRANSITWAY SERVICE MODIFICATIONS

<u>Line</u>	<u>Line Name</u>	<u>Proposed Change</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
51	San Pedro St.-Avalon Blvd.- Compton Blvd.	<i>Option 1:</i> New branch extension along Avalon Blvd. to serve Artesia Harbor Transitway Station	December, 2000 or later
351	San Pedro St.-Avalon Blvd.- Limited	<i>Option 1:</i> New Limited Stop Service	December, 2000 or later
205	Willowbrook-Harbor City	<i>Option 2:</i> Re-route along Gaffey Street	December, 2000 or later
445	LA-San Pedro Express	<i>Option 1:</i> Increased service levels or <i>Option 2:</i> cancel service and reallocate into restructured Line 550	December, 2000 or later

<u>Line</u>	<u>Line Name</u>	<u>Proposed Change</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
446	LA-Carson-Wilmington- San Pedro-Express	<i>Option 1:</i> Reroute along transitway to serve Artesia Harbor Transitway Station or <i>Option 2:</i> Shorten service to terminate at Artesia Harbor Transitway Station	December, 2000 or later
447	LA-Carson-Wilmington- San Pedro via 7th St.- Express	<i>Option 1:</i> Reroute along transitway to serve Artesia Harbor Transitway Station or <i>Option 2:</i> Shorten service to terminate at Artesia Harbor Transitway Station	December, 2000 or later
550	San Pedro-West Hollywood Express	<i>Option 2:</i> Restructure to serve Pacific Coast Hwy. and Carson Street Harbor Transitway Stations and Downtown Los Angeles	December, 2000 or later

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WILSHIRE-WHITTIER CORRIDOR SERVICE REFINEMENTS

In the Wilshire-Whittier Corridor, the following services are proposed to be restructured and/or cancelled to reduce service duplication and better match service to customer demand.

<u>Line</u>	<u>Line Name</u>	<u>Proposed Change</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
18	W. Sixth St.-Whittier Blvd.	Extend line to Orange County border; or Shorten line to uptown Whittier or Montebello Metrolink Station if other service is available; adjust service frequencies and span of service.....	December, 2000 or later
20-21	Wilshire Blvd-UCLA Santa Monica	Adjust service frequencies and span of service.....	December, 2000 or later
22	Wilshire Blvd.-Century City-Brentwood	Cancel line; alternative service available by Santa Monica Municipal Bus Lines	December, 2000 or later
471	Puente Hills Mall-Brea Mall	Shorten line to Whittier Blvd. and Colima Rd. or cancel line if other service is available	December, 2000 or later
720	Wilshire-Whittier Metro Rapid Bus	Adjust service frequencies, span of service, stop locations	December, 2000 or later

VENTURA CORRIDOR SERVICE REFINEMENTS

In the Ventura Corridor, the following services are proposed to be restructured to better match service to customer demand.

<u>Line</u>	<u>Line Name</u>	<u>Proposed Change</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
150	Ventura Blvd.	Adjust service frequencies and span of service.....	December, 2000 or later
240	Reseda Blvd-Ventura Blvd.	Adjust service frequencies and span of service.....	December, 2000 or later
750	Ventura Blvd. Metro Rapid Bus	Adjust service frequencies, span of service, stop locations	December, 2000 or later

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OTHER SERVICE CHANGES

Other miscellaneous service change proposals designed to improve the operation of bus service are listed below.

<u>Line</u>	<u>Line Name</u>	<u>Proposed Change</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
40	Hawthorne Blvd.-LA-Union Station	New Limited Stop service.....	December, 2000 or later
42	LA-Westchester-LAX	Restructure service, reroute to Exposition Blvd.	December, 2000 or later
102	E. Jefferson Blvd.-Coliseum St.	Shorten line to Exposition Blvd. and Figueroa St; alternative service provided by restructured Line 42	December, 2000 or later
107	54th Street-Fairview Blvd.-Santa Ana St.	Reroute over a portion of Clara Street and to Slauson Metro Blue Line Station	December, 2000 or later
114	Florence Station-Santa Ana St.-Clara St.	Cancel line; alternative service provided by rerouted Line 107	December, 2000 or later
220	Robertson Blvd.-Culver Blvd.	Shorten line to Fisherman's Village; alternative service provided by restructured Line 625.	December, 2000 or later
250	Boyle Ave.-State St.	Cancel line; alternative service provided by restructured Line 620	December, 2000 or later
253	Euclid Ave.-Evergreen Ave.	Cancel line; alternative service provided by restructured Line 620	December, 2000 or later
<u>Line</u>	<u>Line Name</u>	<u>Proposed Change</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
340	Hawthorne Blvd.-Limited	New Limited Stop service.....	December, 2000 or later
402	LA-Pasadena-Park-n-Ride Express	Cancel line; alternative service available.....	December, 2000 or later
436	LA-Venice Blvd.-Ocean Park Express	Cancel line; alternative service available	December, 2000 or later
442	LA-Hawthorne-Express	Cancel line; convert to Limited Stop service	December, 2000 or later

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| 466 | LA-Downey-La Mirada
Park-n-Ride-Express | Cancel line; alternative
service availableDecember, 2000 or later |
| 484 | LA-El Monte-La Puente-
Pomona-Express | Shorten line to operate between
El Monte Busway Station and
Pomona Transcenter;
alternative service available.....December, 2000 or later |
| 490 | LA-El Monte-Covina-
Diamond Bar-Brea Express | Shorten line to terminate at
El Monte Busway Station;
alternative service available.....December, 2000 or later |
| 491 | LA-Sierra Madre via Santa
Anita Express | Shorten line to terminate at
El Monte Busway Station;
alternative service available.....December, 2000 or later |
| 497 | LA-Pomona-Montclair
Park-n-Ride-Express | Cancel line; alternative
service availableDecember, 2000 or later |
| 620 | Boyle Heights Shuttle | Restructure line to replace
segments of Lines 250-253;
provide weekend service.....December, 2000 or later |
| 625 | Green Line Shuttle | Restructure line to provide
alternative service to
Fisherman's Village.....December, 2000 or later |

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