



NEWS RELEASE

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RTD to Hold Public Hearings on Proposed January 2011 Service Changes Including the Airport Way Corridor, and Unmet Transit Needs

(Stockton, CA) – San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) has scheduled nine (9) public hearings to invite public comments on the proposed January 2011 Service Changes including the Airport Way Corridor, and Unmet Transit Needs.

The proposed January 2011 Service Changes include the launch of Metro Express: Airport Corridor (Route 44) which will connect with Route 40 at the Downtown Transit Center (DTC) to provide seamless express bus service between Hammer Lane and the Stockton Metropolitan Airport. Capital funding for this project is provided by several federal programs administered by the Federal Transit Administration, while operational funding has been identified through the proposed streamlining of service hours to meet ridership demand.

At these hearings, RTD staff will present the proposed service changes and receive and respond to public input. All comments received will be reviewed for inclusion in the proposed January 2011 service changes final report, which will be presented to RTD's Board of Directors for consideration at their November 2010 meeting.

The annual process of identifying unmet transit needs and determining whether or not they are reasonable to meet is required to obtain transit funding under the State Transportation Development Act. All unmet needs comments received at the hearings will be incorporated into a summary report which will be before RTD's Board of Directors for its consideration, and upon approval, will be forwarded to the San Joaquin Council of Governments for inclusion as a part of their annual assessment of unmet transit needs in San Joaquin County.

The public is invited to express any comments or concerns at each of the following Public Hearing locations and times:

Tuesday, October 12, 2010
5:30 p.m.

Margaret K. Troke Library
502 W. Ben Holt Drive
Stockton, CA 95207
Served by Routes 23, 40, 63

Tuesday, October 12, 2010
6:00 pm

Mokelumne Rural Fire Department
13157 E. Brandt Road
Lockeford, CA 95237
Not currently served by RTD

Wednesday, October 13, 2010
5:00 p.m.

Thornton Public Library
26341 N. Thornton Road
Thornton, CA 95686
Not currently served by RTD

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Thursday, October 14, 2010
5:30 pm

Manteca Public Library
McFall Room
320 W. Center Street
Manteca, CA 95336
Served by Routes 27

Monday, October 18, 2010
6:00 pm

San Joaquin RTD
Boardroom
421 E. Weber Avenue
Stockton, CA 95202
Served by Routes 40, 23, 51, 52, 53,
54, 55, 60, 61, 75, 76, 77, 80, 81,
83, 90, 91, and Metro Hopper
Routes 4, 5, and 7

Monday, October 18, 2010
6:00 pm

F & M Bank
18836 East Main Street (E. Hwy 26)
Linden, CA 95236
Not currently served by RTD

Tuesday, October 19, 2010
3:00 p.m.

San Joaquin RTD
Board of Directors Meeting
Boardroom
421 E. Weber Avenue
Stockton, CA 95202
Served by Routes 40, 23, 51, 52, 53,
54, 55, 60, 61, 75, 76, 77, 80, 81,
83, 90, 91, and Metro Hopper
Routes 4, 5, and 7

Tuesday, October 19, 2010
6:00 p.m.

Delta College, Mountain House Campus
2073 S. Central Parkway, Room 103
Mountain House, CA 95391
Not currently served by RTD

Thursday, October 21, 2010
6:00 pm

Tracy Multi Modal Transit Center
50 E. 6th Street, Room 103
Tracy, CA 95376
Served by Routes 26 and 90

All persons submitting comments should include their name and contact information. Persons who are unable to attend a public hearing are encouraged to register comments by e-mail to comments@sanjoaquinRTD.com; phone at (209) 948-5566, x512; fax at (209) 948-8516; in person at the Downtown Transit Center, 421 E. Weber Ave., Stockton, CA; or mail to San Joaquin RTD c/o Planning Department, P.O. Box 201010, Stockton, CA, 95201. Comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 22, 2010, to be incorporated into the public hearing record.

For route and schedule information: RTD Customer Information Line - (209) 943-1111 or 1-800-HOW-TO-RIDE (1-800-469-8674). Visit us online at www.sanjoaquinRTD.com. For trip planning assistance, check out the new *Trip Planner* feature on RTD's website.

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