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San Joaquin RTD Mall Transfer Station: Grand Opening Celebration and Operations Notice

(Stockton, CA) – On Thursday, April 23, 2009, San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) will open its Mall Transfer Station on Yokuts Avenue between Pacific Avenue and Claremont Avenue. This transfer station, conveniently located between the Weberstown and Sherwood Malls, will improve safety and comfort for RTD customers going to the Malls, San Joaquin Delta College, or transferring between routes, including Metro Express (Route 40).

RTD invites the public to attend a grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony at 10:00 a.m. at the bus shelters on the Weberstown Mall/Sears side of Yokuts avenue. Invited speakers include City of Stockton Mayor Ann Johnston, and project funding partners. To accommodate this event, Yokuts Avenue will be closed to vehicle traffic from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

At 1:00 p.m., following the grand opening, RTD will begin bus operations at the Mall Transfer Station by shifting the majority of its routes currently transferring on Pacific Avenue, north of Yokuts, to Yokuts Avenue. A map showing the new bus stop locations and a route matrix are attached for reference.

RTD has long used the Malls location as the major north Stockton transfer point for many of its routes, including Metro Express (Route 40), RTD's Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) service. Metro Express offers frequent, limited-stop service between the Downtown Transit Center (DTC) and Hammer Lane every 15 minutes during weekdays and every 30 minutes during evenings and weekends. It is RTD's highest ridership route. With the completion of the Mall Transfer Station project, RTD has created a safe, convenient, and attractive transfer station with infrastructure improvements and passenger amenities that benefit RTD customers and mall customers.

These improvements include:

- Two lighted crosswalks (similar to those in downtown Stockton and along the Miracle Mile) on the east and west ends of the Mall Transfer Station
- Dedicated bus lanes for buses to pull out of the flow of traffic
- Median and perimeter fencing and lighting for improved safety and aesthetics
- Shelters, benches, street clock, landscaping, and signage.

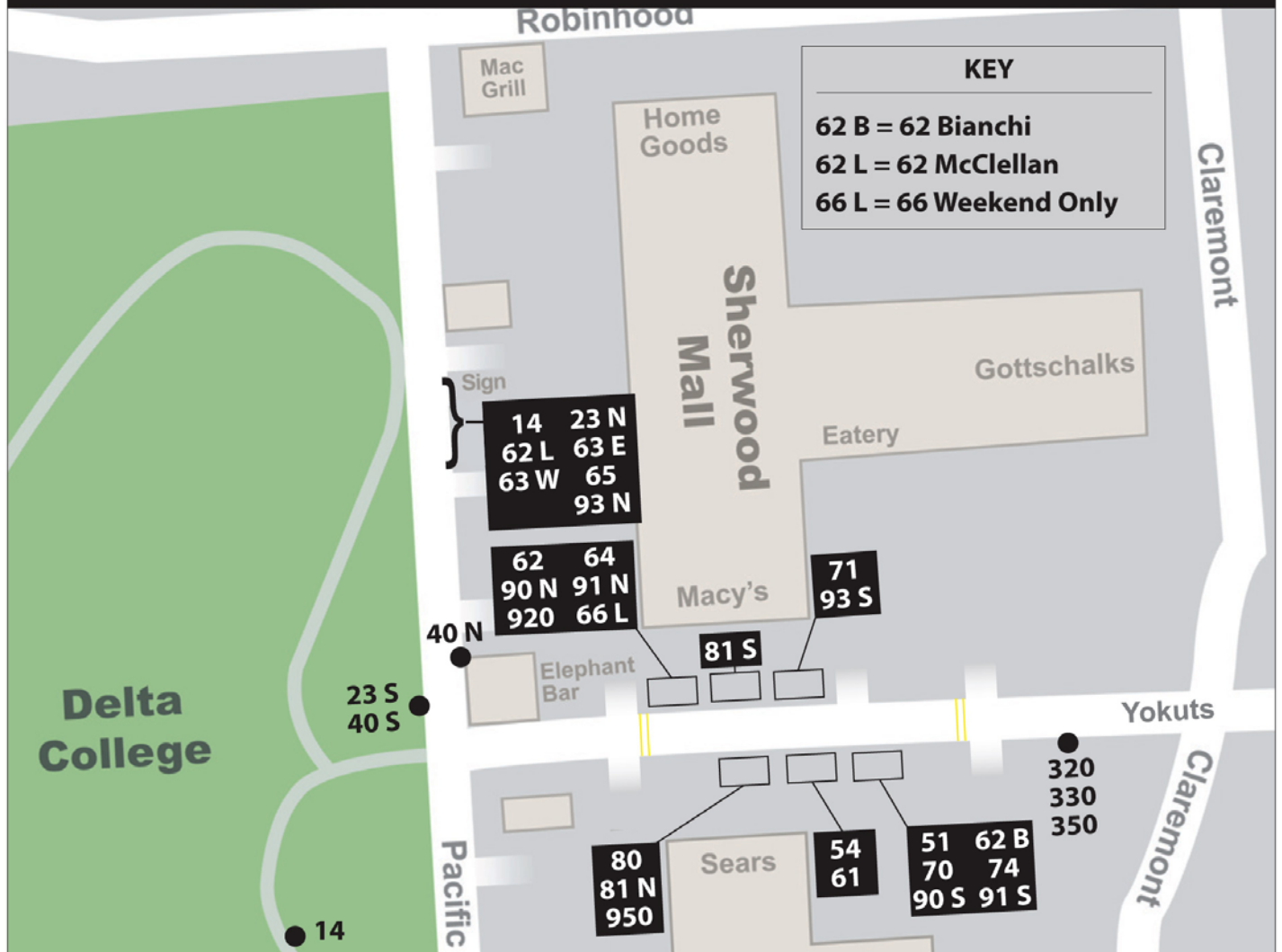
For route and schedule information: RTD Customer Information Line - (209) 943-1111 or 1-800-HOW-TO-RIDE (1-800-469-8674). Visit us online at www.sanjoaquinRTD.com

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ATTACHMENTS:

- Mall Transfer Station Map
- Route Matrix

MALL TRANSFER STATION MAP: EFFECTIVE APRIL 23, 2009



MALL TRANSFER STATION ROUTE MATRIX - EFFECTIVE APRIL 23, 2009

	Destination	Macy's side of Station	Sears side of Station	Sears side of Station, East of Station	Remaining on Pacific	Comments
14	Delta College				X	Route subject to change due to ongoing construction at Delta College
23 N	Lodi				X	For night service to Lodi, use Route 93 N
23 S	DTC				X	
40 N	Lower Sacramento/Hammer				X	
40 S	DTC				X	
51	Amtrak - SJ County Hospital		X			
54	Madison-ACE-MLK-8th/Fresno		X			
61	Quail Lakes-Pershing-Country Club-DTC		X			

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	Destination	Macy's side of Station	Sears side of Station	Sears side of Station, East of Station	Remaining on Pacific	Comments
62	West March Lane-Feather River-Brookside	X				
62 B	Bianchi			X		This bus arrives as the 63 Limited and departs as the 62 McClellan at the same
62 L	McClellan				X	Operates three trips per weekday
63 E	Ponce de Leon - Davis-Dentoni Park				X	
63 L	Thornton/Whistler				X	
63 W	El Dorado-Ben Holt-Cumberland				X	
64	Swain-Hammer-Worchester	X				
65	Meadow-Don-Otto				X	
66 L	Thornton-Spanos Park West	X				Operates to the Mall Transfer Station on Weekends and selected Holidays only
70	Kermit-Hammer-Kaiser		X			
71	West Lane-Kaiser-Holman	X				
74	Hammer Lane-Morada		X			
80	Pershing-DTC-Oro		X			
81 N	El Dorado-Knickerbocker		X			
81 S	DTC-Airport-"B" Street	X				
90 N	Stockton-Delta	X				Operates to Mall Transfer Station. Operates to Sherwood Mall Patio by deviation request only
90 S	Lathrop-Tracy		X			Operates to Mall Transfer Station. Operates to Sherwood Mall Patio by deviation request only
91 N	Stockton Airport-Stockton	X				Operates to Mall Transfer Station. Operates to Sherwood Mall Patio by deviation request only
91 S	Manteca-Ripon		X			Operates to Mall Transfer Station. Operates to Sherwood Mall Patio by deviation request only
93 N	Lodi				X	Operates to Mall Transfer Station. Operates to Sherwood Mall Patio by deviation request only
93 S	Kaiser-Delta	X				Operates to Mall Transfer Station. Operates to Sherwood Mall Patio by deviation request only
320	Myrtle-Oro			X		Operates one morning trip only from Yokuts
330	Pershing-Monte Diablo-DTC			X		Operates one morning trip only from Yokuts
350 N	March Lane-El Dorado-Lower Sacramento			X		Both morning (southbound) and afternoon (northbound) trips operate from the same location on Yokuts
350 S	March Lane-Holman			X		
920	Swain-Cumberland-Hammer	X				
950	Country Club-Section/Oro		X			

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