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RTD Will Not Operate Regular Service on Christmas Day, New Year's Day

(Stockton, CA) – On Christmas Day, December 25, 2009, and on New Year's Day, January 1, 2010, San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) will not operate its regular fixed route bus services, which include Stockton Metro, Metro Express, Intercity, Hopper, and Commuter Routes. RTD Administrative offices and the Downtown Transit Center (DTC) Customer Service Center will be closed.

On these dates, RTD will be operating a limited demand response service by reservation on a first-come, first served basis. The fare for a one-way trip will be \$5.00 per passenger. Priority will be given to passengers who are elderly or with disabilities.

Reservations for Christmas Day must be made by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 22. Reservations for New Year's Day must be made by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 29. Reservations will be limited to one round-trip per-passenger. Reservations for limited demand response service can be made by calling (209) 955-8400.

This action is necessary due to reductions in transit funding, and is similar to RTD's operations on other holidays. RTD's holiday ridership is a fraction of regular service days, but with even higher costs. RTD's goal is to reduce costs while affecting the fewest passengers, thereby retaining funds for heavily used service.

RTD will reopen its administrative offices and the DTC Customer Service Center and resume regular weekend service on Saturday, December 26, and on Saturday, January 2.

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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