



**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION
Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District**

2015 Service Expansion Plan

Notice is hereby given that the AC Transit Board of Directors will hold a Public Hearing on **Wednesday, November 11, 2015 at 2 p.m. and 5 p.m.** at the AC Transit General Offices, Second Floor Board Room, 1600 Franklin Street, Oakland, California, to receive public comment on the 2015 Service Expansion Plan (SEP) as more specifically described below under "PROJECT DESCRIPTION". AC Transit has prepared a Negative Declaration for the 2015 SEP pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

The proposed Service Expansion Plan and CEQA Negative Declaration are detailed on AC Transit's website at www.actransit.org, and available in printed format at the District's General Offices, located at 1600 Franklin Street, Oakland, California, and at a variety of other locations, including main county and city offices as well as the main libraries located within the District's service area. For information on exact locations where the documents are available in your specific area, please telephone (510) 891-7175.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Staff is requesting that the Board set the Public Hearing date for the proposed SEP and the associated California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) analysis on November 11, 2015. The SEP is based upon a set of guiding principles that aim to significantly improve transit service for new and existing bus riders. Through the use of Measure BB revenues, staff is able to increase span and frequency on both weekdays and weekends, and improve reliability through simpler route design and schedules that better match current traffic conditions. In addition, staff is able to develop a Frequent Network of routes at 15-minute frequency or better that provides new and existing riders with more opportunities to get to multiple destinations within a reasonable timeframe.

Staff conducted three rounds of outreach prior to the development of the current draft of the SEP being considered under the Public Hearing. The outreach provided staff with feedback on developing the guiding principles and three iterations of plan recommendations. As a result, the SEP proposes changes to or elimination of 45 existing routes and the creation of up to 56 new routes, depending on the selection of alternatives.

Existing routes affected include: 1, 1R, 7, 11, 12, 14, 18, 20, 22, 25, 26, 31, 32, 37, 48, 49, 51B, 52, 57, 58L, 60, 62, 67, 70, 71, 72, 72M, 72R, 73, 74, 75, 76, 83, 85, 86, 88, 89, 93, 94, 95, 97, 98, 99, F, J, NL and O

If approved by the Board of Directors, the SEP will be implemented in 2016 beginning in the Spring.

Your Comments Are Invited

Public Comment on the SEP is invited either in writing or at the public hearing scheduled for 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. on Wednesday, November 11, 2015 at the AC Transit General Offices, Second Floor Board Room, 1600 Franklin Street, Oakland, California. The public is urged to submit **written comments** on the project



or on the Draft Negative Declaration by letter, facsimile, or email, which must be received no later than Monday, November 9, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. in order for comments to be copied and provided to the Board of Directors for review prior to the hearing. Written comments will receive the same attention as verbal comments received at the Public Hearing. Please address written comments to the AC Transit Board of Directors, 1600 Franklin Street, Oakland, California, 94612; by facsimile at (510) 891-7157; or by email to planning@actransit.org. Comments may also be submitted by voicemail at (510) 891-7201. For Spanish-language comments, call (510) 891-7291; and for Chinese-language comments, call (510) 891-7292.

Meeting site is wheelchair accessible.

Spanish and Chinese interpreters will be available at the meeting. Upon request, a sign language interpreter or a foreign language interpreter (for languages other than those mentioned in this notice) will be present at the hearing. Please contact the District Secretary's Office at (510) 891-7201 by Thursday, November 5, 2015, at 5:00 p.m. to make arrangements. For TDD for hearing impaired, call 711, California Relay Service, and specify (510) 891-4700.

Transit to the Hearing Site

All AC Transit bus lines serving downtown Oakland stop within walking distance of the public hearing site. For trip-planning, visit www.actransit.org or call 511 (and say, "AC Transit"). The site can also be reached via BART to the 19th St. Oakland station.

Please do not wear scented products to the meeting.

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