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PUBLIC HEARING SET FOR JULY 18TH ON PROPOSED PLAN RELATED FARE CHANGES

As part of the implementation process for the Yuba-Sutter NextGen Transit Plan, the Yuba-Sutter Board of Directors have selected a preferred fare structure alternative for the purpose of receiving public comment at a public hearing to be held at 4:05 p.m. on Thursday, July 18, 2024. That hearing will be part of the regular monthly board meeting in the Yuba County Government Center at 915 Eighth Street in Marysville.

The June update to the Fare Recommendations section of the NextGen Transit Plan is available on the Yuba-Sutter Transit website at www.yubasuttertransit.com/nextgen-transit-plan. This updated section includes the preferred Scenario 4 along with several other scenarios for discussion and consideration.

At the same link, the complete NextGen Transit Plan is also available along with an Executive Summary and related support materials. Copies of both the plan and the updated Fare Recommendations section are also available for public review during normal business hours in the Yuba-Sutter Transit Administration Office at 2100 B Street in Marysville.

The next phase of the NextGen Plan includes implementation of the first on-demand zone in Yuba City, a streamlined crosstown Route 1 from west Yuba City to Yuba College in Linda, elimination of Routes 2 and 5, later weekday evening service, elimination of the weekday evening Dial-A-Ride service, and a new Highway 65 route to Roseville. Later phases would focus primarily on the expansion of the on-demand service to include Marysville, Linda, and Olivehurst with the elimination of Routes 4 and 6 and the restructuring of Route 3 to directly serve the Peach Tree Clinic. As proposed, the new on-demand service is now expected to begin with a pilot project in November 2024 and the Highway 65 route is not expected before the first quarter of 2025.

While on-going public comment continues to be invited, additional public outreach and formal public hearings will be conducted prior to each phase of implementation. For more information, please contact Adam Hansen at (530) 634-6880 or at adam@yubasuttertransit.com.



FESTIVAL RETURNS TO DOWNTOWN MARYSVILLE ON JULY 19TH & 20th

The Marysville Peach Festival in Historic Downtown Marysville returns for the 24^{th} time on Friday, July 19^{th} and Saturday, July 20^{th} . This free event will be held from 4:00 to 10:00 p.m. on Friday and from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Saturday. With the ongoing street closures and detours resulting from the recent Marysville Hotel fire, the festival is being shifted slightly north this year with D Street closed to vehicle traffic from 3^{rd} through 9^{th} Streets.

As a result of the combined street closures and traffic detours, Yuba-Sutter Transit plans to suspend service on both festival days to all B Street bus stops in both directions between 3rd and 9th Streets; the bus stop at D & 2nd Street; and the bus stop at F & 2nd Streets. On both days, the nearest Route 1 and Route 4 bus stops to the historic district will be on 3rd Street at or near the Adventist Health and Rideout Hospital. Please expect schedule delays due to increased congestion in the area so plan your trip accordingly.

Please call (530) 742-2877 during normal business hours for real-time bus schedule conditions. For festival information, please check www.marysvillepeachfest.com.

DO YOU HAVE AN EXPIRING CONNECT CARD?

Discount photo-identification Connect Cards are typically issued for five years. Since many were issued in 2019 with the new electronic fare card program, many are now beginning to expire. Such cards need to be replaced before they expire because expired cards will not work. Discount Card holders (youth, seniors, and persons with disabilities) should regularly check the expiration date on their card to see if it is approaching. If so, bring your card to our Administrative Office during normal business hours where we will confirm your current information and issue you a new card (with a new picture) at no cost.

For Connect Card questions, please contact the Administrative Office at (530) 634-6880 or by email at info@yubasuttertransit.com.



DEEPLY DISCOUNTED MONTHLY PASSES AVAILABLE FOR ALL LOCAL & RURAL ROUTE PASSENGERS

Basic general-public monthly bus passes, good for unlimited use on any Yuba-Sutter Transit local or rural route have been discounted since July 2020 from their regular price of \$30 to just \$10 each month. The \$20 subsidy on the cost of each pass is being funded through the State Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP).

As a result, the out-of-pocket price of a general-public monthly bus pass is more comparable to a discount monthly pass for youth (ages 5 through 18), seniors (ages 65 and over) and eligible persons with disabilities which has long been reduced from \$15 to just \$5 each month. The \$10 subsidy for that discount program is funded by the Feather River Air Quality Management District (FRAQMD).

At these deeply discounted prices, the best value by far for most passengers is to purchase a full fare or discount monthly pass as appropriate. No matter the fare category, a monthly pass will pay for itself in just a few days of travel compared to paying in cash.

Monthly passes are available only with a Connect Card electronic fare card. General public Connect Cards are available free of charge from www.ConnectTransitCard.com or any Connect Card sales outlet. Discount photo I.D. Connect Cards for any available discount fares or passes for seniors, youth or persons with disabilities are only available with eligibility verification at the Yuba-Sutter Transit office in Marysville.

Up to three monthly passes can be loaded at any one time on a Connect Card along with up to \$360 in cash value if so desired. You can even set up your Connect Card account to auto-load your monthly pass each month or to add cash value when your balance drops to a certain level.

For more information on the discounted bus pass program or how to get your discount photo Connect Card identification card, please contact the Administrative Office by phone at (530) 634-6880 or email us at info@yubasuttertransit.com.

NEW STAFF MEMBER

Yuba-Sutter Transit is thrilled to introduce Jessica Solis as the newest member of our six-person administrative staff. She joins us after three years with a non-profit homeless and low-income housing services organization in Grass Valley where she focused on community outreach, social media and fund-raising.

Raised in Yuba City, Jessica attended Yuba Community College and graduated from Sacramento State University with a degree in communications. Her new position is a full-circle moment as she used to ride Yuba-Sutter Transit's local fixed route and Sacramento service

to school, noting that she enjoyed these services and often encouraged other students to ride as well. In her spare time, Jessica enjoys traveling, camping, fishing, and reading a good book.

Among her many duties at Yuba-Sutter Transit, Jessica will be focusing on community outreach especially related to the new and enhanced services resulting from implementation of the Yuba-Sutter NextGen Transit Plan. Bilingual in both English and Spanish with a strong background in communications, she is already an excellent addition to Yuba-Sutter Transit.

Please join us in welcoming Jessica to our team.



CONNECT CARD SALES OUTLETS

Connect Cards may be loaded at any of the sales outlets below or on the Connect Card website. New full fare Connect Cards are available from any sales outlet, but new and replacement discount photo ID Connect Cards are only available during normal weekday business hours at the Yuba-Sutter Transit Administrative Office in Marysville. Call (530) 634-6880 for more information.

Please check with locations for current business hours as they may change without notice.

- Sutter County Library Yuba City (530) 822-7137
 Tuesday Thursday, 9:00 am 6:00 pm
 Friday & Saturday, 9:00 am 5:00 pm
 [Cash or Check Only]
- Yuba County Library Marysville (530) 749-7380
 Tuesday Friday, 12:00 6:00 pm & Saturdays 9:00 am 1:00 pm [Cash, Credit or Debit Fee Applied for Credit/Debit]
- Yuba College Bookstore Linda (530) 741-6998
 Monday Thursday, 9:00 am 2:30 pm
 [Cash, Check, Credit or Debit]
- Yuba-Sutter Transit Administrative Office Marysville Weekdays, 8:00 am – Noon & 1:00 – 5:00 pm [Cash, Check, Contactless Payment, Credit or Debit]
- Connect Card Website www.ConnectTransitCard.com [Credit or Debit / Auto-Load]

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