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MAJOR PEDESTRIAN ACCESS PROJECT TO BEGIN SOON ON FEATHER RIVER BOULEVARD

A project to provide a continuous accessible path between East and West Linda under Highway 70 is expected to soon be under construction! The Yuba County Public Works Department has taken the lead on this small, but high profile project. Yuba-Sutter Transit secured a federal New Freedom Program grant for the project and Yuba County is providing the necessary local matching funds.

The project will result in the development of an accessible path along the north side of Feather River Boulevard between North Beale Road and Garden Avenue (Arboga Road). This project will greatly improve accessibility and pedestrian safety in this highly used corridor while providing ADA access to and from our very busy bus stop at Feather River Boulevard and North Beale Road.

Included in the project is the construction of new curbs, gutters and sidewalks to connect with the existing sidewalk under the freeway. New curb cuts and pedestrian safety improvements will also be provided and the existing bus stop shelter will be repositioned with the new sidewalk to complete the project.

A second New Freedom grant has already been received for similar improvements near the intersection of North Beale Road and Lowe Avenue at another busy Yuba-Sutter Transit bus stop. That project is expected to be completed in 2010.

Contact Keith Martin at (530) 634-6880 for more information.

NEW VOUCHER PROGRAM FOR SENIORS STARTS JULY 1ST

A new transportation voucher program for seniors (age 60 and over) will begin on July 1st though the details are still being worked out as the program was first funded on June 12th. The FREED Center for Independent Living in Marysville will administer the program which will provide vouchers (coupons) to eligible seniors for service from a variety of transportation providers including Yuba-Sutter Transit.

The next issue of this newsletter will feature this new program including all of the details. Contact FREED at (530) 742-4474 for more information.

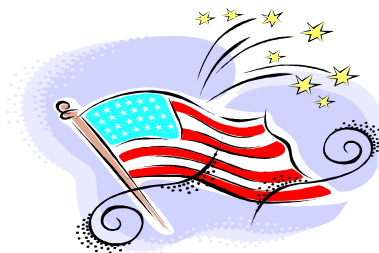


SUMMER STROLL TO CLOSE PLUMAS STREET ON JUNE 26TH

It will be “luau style” for the annual Summer Stroll on Friday, June 26th in downtown Yuba City! Plumas Street from Colusa Avenue to Bridge Street will be closed for this free community celebration from 5:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Beginning at 1:00 p.m., Yuba-Sutter Transit service will be rerouted from Plumas Street. Route 1 buses will operate on Olive Street between Colusa Avenue and Forbes Street and Route 2 will operate on Shasta Street between Colusa Avenue and Bridge Street. The Plumas Street bus stops at Church Street and Bridge Street will not be in service during this time.

Call (530) 634-6880 for more information.



INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY SERVICE NOTES

Because Independence Day falls on a Saturday this year, please pay special attention to the following service changes.

- Friday, July 3rd – No Sacramento service will be operated and the Yuba-Sutter Transit Administrative Office will be closed. All other service will operate as scheduled.
- Saturday, July 4th – Yuba-Sutter Transit will not be in operation in observance of Independence Day.
- Monday, July 6th – Regular service resumes.

Call 530-634-6880 for more information.

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SERVICE CHANGES FOR THE PEACH FESTIVAL & MORE IN DOWNTOWN MARYSVILLE

Mark your calendars now because the Marysville Peach Fest 2009 is on the way! This free three day annual festival will run from Friday, July 17th through Sunday July 19th this year. Festival hours are 6:00 p.m. to midnight on Friday; 10:00 a.m. to midnight on Saturday; and, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Sunday.

Beginning in the early afternoon on Friday, July 17th, D Street will be closed to vehicle traffic from First through Sixth Streets eliminating Yuba-Sutter Transit service to the stop at D and Second Streets. In the past, Yuba-Sutter Transit would simply use the former Mervyn's parking lot as an alternative route, but that lot will not be available during this event so more significant changes are necessary.

Throughout the event, westbound Route 1 buses will turn left at Third Street from E Street and eastbound Route 1 buses will turn right at F Street from Third Street to use the F Street entrance onto the E Street Bridge (Highway 70). Route 4A buses will stay on B Street to First Street before rejoining the existing route on F Street. Route 4B buses returning from Linda will also turn left at Third Street from E Street then circle back on F and First Street to rejoin the existing route on B Street.

No replacement stops are planned for the missed stop at D and Second Streets. The nearest alternate stops for Route 1 will be at Third and F Streets. The nearest alternate stops for Route 4 will be at either Third & F Streets or at B & Third Streets.

In addition to the Peach Fest, the Marysville Farmer's Market continues every Friday evening from 5:00 to 8:30 p.m. through September 25th. D Street between 1st and 3rd Streets is closed to all traffic during these events beginning at 3:00 p.m. Routes 1 and 4 will use the former Mervyn's parking lot. Passengers will be picked-up and dropped off on the east side of the vacant building.

For more information regarding Yuba-Sutter Transit service during these events, contact Keith Martin or Dawna Dutra at (530) 634-6880. See you downtown this summer!

PLUMAS LAKE PARK & RIDE NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Construction began this month on the new Plumas Lake Park & Ride Lot at the intersection of Feather River Boulevard and Chalice Creek Drive just east of Highway 70 in Plumas Lake! Like the McGowan Park & Ride Lot that opened late last year, this new facility will also be owned and operated by Yuba County.

If construction proceeds as planned, Yuba-Sutter Transit's Sacramento Commuter and Midday bus schedules will begin serving the Plumas Lake Park & Ride in September. Only minor schedule changes will be required to incorporate the new stop into the existing service when the lot is available for use. The additional time required for this stop (and more) will be recovered when the Highway 70 bypass of East Nicolaus is completed and buses can no longer stop there.

Stay tuned for more information!

BUS PASSES & TICKET BOOKS

Monthly passes and discount ticket books are sold at the following locations. Please note that some outlets do not carry all media and monthly passes are available only from the 24th of the month until the 7th of the following month. Passes are also available throughout the month during normal business hours in the Yuba-Sutter Transit office at 2100 B Street in Marysville. All passes and tickets are also available by mail. Call (530) 634-6880 for more information.

1. Bel Air Market Customer Service Center – **Yuba City**
Ticket Books / Monthly Fixed Route Passes / Sacramento Commuter Passes & Punch Cards
2. Yuba Sutter Mall Service Counter – **Yuba City**
Ticket Books / Monthly Fixed Route Passes / Sacramento Commuter Passes & Punch Cards
3. Walmart Register 18 Service Counter – **Linda**
Ticket Books / Monthly Fixed Route Passes / Sacramento Commuter Passes & Punch Cards
4. Yuba College Cashier's Office – **Linda**
Ticket Books / Monthly Fixed Route Passes
5. Yuba-Sutter Transit Office – **Marysville**
Ticket Books / Monthly Fixed Route Passes / Sacramento Commuter Passes & Punch Cards / Single Ride Tickets for All Services

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