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CALAVERAS TRANSIT ANNOUNCES FARE INCREASES AND SERVICE REDUCTIONS FOR FY 2009/10

On June 2, 2009, the Calaveras County Board of Supervisors approved a fare increase and service reductions to be effective July 1, 2009. The decision came after two (2) public hearings – one held at the May 6, 2009, Council of Governments meeting and one at the June 2, 2009, Board of Supervisors meeting. The changes were made necessary by a significant reduction in State funding for FY 2009/10.

Calaveras Transit's primary State funding sources for operations include State Transit Assistance and Local Transportation Funds. The State of California Legislature's budget which passed on February 19, 2009, eliminated the State Transit Assistance fund for the next five years, requiring public transit agencies all over the State of California to reduce their budgets. Local Transportation Funds, which are derived from ¼ cent of the State-wide sales tax, are also expected to decline due to reduced spending.

In an effort to address the funding shortfall, the Board of Supervisors approved a Service Plan that allows Calaveras Transit to operate within budget. The Service Plan consists of an increased fare schedule, service reductions, and service changes.

CALAVERAS TRANSIT FARES EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009:

Fares	Increased Amount
One-Way Regular	\$2.00
One-Way Discounted	\$1.00
All-Day Pass	\$4.00
Ticket Book (15) Regular	\$26.00
Ticket Book (15) Discounted	\$10.00
Monthly Pass (Regular)	\$60.00
Monthly Pass (Student)	\$40.00
Monthly Pass (Discounted)	\$30.00
Children Under 8	Free
Transfers (in Calaveras)	Free



Service Reductions Effective July 1, 2009:

- Elimination of:
 - Service to Rail Road Flat
 - Service to Lodi
 - Service to Bear Valley
 - Three (3) daily round-trips between San Andreas and Valley Springs
 - Two (2) daily round-trips between San Andreas and Mokelumne Hill
 - One (1) daily round-trip between San Andreas and West Point
 - One (1) daily round-trip between Angels Camp and Arnold
 - Two (2) daily round-trips between Angels Camp and Columbia College
 - Two (2) daily round-trips between Angels Camp and Copperopolis

Service Changes Effective July 1, 2009:

- Minor schedule modifications
- Service to Jackson via one transfer to Amador Regional Transit District (ARTS) at the Mokelumne Hill bus stop. Prior reservations required.
- Elimination of charter services

Schedules will be posted on the Calaveras Transit website www.calaverastransit.com by June 12, 2009. Printed schedules will be available prior to July 1, 2009, on all Calaveras Transit buses and at the following locations:

Calaveras Transit
750 Industrial Way
San Andreas, CA 95249

Calaveras County Public Works
891 Mountain Ranch Road
San Andreas, CA 95249

Calaveras Council of Governments
692 Marshall, Suite A
San Andreas, CA 95249

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