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**Planned Light Rail Service Disruptions in May**
Several light rail service disruptions are planned this month due to station platform construction at 13th Street and Archives Plaza stations. Station platform construction is underway to meet the height requirements of new low-floor light rail vehicles that will begin service on the Gold and Green lines this summer.

Below is the station construction schedule for May. Please note that the schedule may change due to weather or other factors. Riders are urged to download the free Alert SacRT app and check the website for updates at sacrt.com/stationclosure.

**Tuesday, April 23 – Friday, May 3, 2024\***
The 13th Street Station is closed for customers boarding and deboarding. Light rail trains travel through 13th Street Station; however, passengers cannot board or deboard at the station because of construction activity. The nearest open stations are Archives Plaza Station and 16th Street Station. All Green Line passengers need to board and deboard at Archives Plaza Station.

**Saturday, May 4 – Sunday, May 5, 2024**
Due to station platform construction that will impact the tracks at 13th Street Station, several light rail stations on the Blue and Gold lines will not have light rail service. Instead, bus bridges (shuttle bus between stations) will be in place:

* Gold Line: Bus bridge (shuttle buses operate between stations) between 29th Street and Sacramento Valley stations.
* Blue Line: Bus bridge (shuttle buses operate between stations) between Globe and Broadway stations.

**Monday, May 6 – Friday, May 10, 2024\***
The 13th Street Station outbound platform (headed toward Folsom) will be closed for customers boarding and deboarding. Light rail trains will travel through 13th Street Station; however, passengers will not be able to board or deboard at the station on the outbound platform due to construction activity. The inbound platform (headed toward Sacramento Valley Station) will be open. The nearest open stations are Archives Plaza Station and 16th Street Station.

Customers needing to exit the train on the outbound side will instead need to travel one more station to 16th Street Station, exit the train, and board the next train heading inbound (toward downtown) and exit at the 13th Street Station (inbound side).

**Saturday, May 11 – Sunday, May 12, 2024**
Due to station platform construction that will impact the tracks at 13th Street Station, several light rail stations on the Blue and Gold lines will not have light rail service. Instead, bus bridges (shuttle bus between stations) will be in place:

* Gold Line: Bus bridge (shuttle buses operate between stations) between 29th Street and Sacramento Valley stations.
* Blue Line: Bus bridge (shuttle buses operate between stations) between Globe and Broadway stations.

**Tuesday, May 14 – Friday, May 24**\*
The Archives Plaza Station will be closed for customers boarding and deboarding. Light rail trains will travel through Archives Plaza Station; however, passengers will not be able to board or deboard at the station because of construction activity. The nearest open stations are 8th& Capitol Station or 13th Street Station.

**Saturday, May 25 – Sunday, May 26, 2024**Due to station platform construction that will impact the tracks at Archives Plaza Station, several light rail stations on the Blue and Gold lines will not have light rail service. Instead, bus bridges (shuttle bus between stations) will be in place:

* Gold Line: Bus bridge (shuttle buses operate between stations) between 13th Street and Sacramento Valley stations.
* Blue Line: Bus bridge (shuttle buses operate between stations) between Globe and 13th Street stations.

**Monday, May 27 – Friday, May 31\***
The Archives Plaza Station outbound platform (headed toward Folsom) will be closed for customers boarding and deboarding. Light rail trains will travel through Archives Plaza Station; however, passengers will not be able to board or deboard at the station on the outbound platform due to construction activity. The inbound platform (headed toward Sacramento Valley Station) will be open. The nearest open stations are 8th& Capitol Station and 13th Street Station.

Customers needing to exit the train on the outbound side will instead need to travel one more station to 13th Street Station, exit the train, and board the next train heading inbound (toward downtown) and exit at the Archives Plaza Station (inbound side).

*\*No bus bridge (shuttle bus between stations) will be available during these closures.*

The first phase of the station platform modifications on the Gold Line is expected to be completed in June. SacRT will then begin station platform construction on the Blue Line this fall. Learn more about the project at sacrt.com/modernization.

**Introducing the S700 – SacRT’s Next Generation Low-Floor Light Rail Train!**
Mark your calendars and get ready for the future of SacRT’s light rail system! SacRT is hosting two special community events where you can be among the first to tour our brand-new S700 low-floor light rail vehicles before they roll out on the Gold and Green lines this summer.

Event Dates and Locations:

**Saturday, June 1, 2024**
11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
13thStreet Station
(1225 R Street, Sacramento)

**Wednesday, June 12, 2024**
10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
7th& Richards/Township 9 Station
(629 Richards Blvd, Sacramento)

The community events are open to everyone, so bring your family and friends for an unforgettable sneak peek at SacRT’s cutting-edge light rail technology. Learn more about the S700 and its features at sacrt.com/newtrains.

# **SacRT to Hold Fiscal Year 2025 Preliminary Budget Public Hearing**

SacRT will hold a public hearing on SacRTʼs Fiscal Year 2025 Preliminary Operating and Capital Budget. The public hearing will be held at 4 p.m. on Monday, May 13, 2024, in the SacRT Auditorium located at 1400 29th Street.

The following is a list of SacRTʼs Proposed Program of Projects and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Allocations:\*

* Section 5307 Urbanized Area Program Preventive Maintenance - $16,000,000
* Section 5307 Urbanized Area Program Jobs Access/Reverse Commute Operating Assistance - $1,106,565
* Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program - $472,880
* American Rescue Plan (ARP) - $7,780,630

\*These amounts are subject to change pending actions taken by the Board of Directors prior to the public hearing.

Members of the public can participate in person or may submit written public comments by
1 p.m. on the day of the Board meeting at boardcomments@sacrt.com. Comments received by 1 p.m. will be submitted to the Board for their review no later than the start of the public hearing. Visit sacrt.com for details.

**SacRT to Operate Sunday/Holiday Schedule for Memorial Day**
On Monday, May 27, 2024, in honor of Memorial Day, SacRT fixed-route bus and light rail, and SacRT GO paratransit services will operate on Sunday/holiday schedule. Please visit sacrt.com/schedules to view the Sunday/holiday schedule for your route or call 916-321-BUSS (2877) for assistance.

There will be no service on: Causeway Connection; Elk Grove local and commuter routes, including e-van; Folsom Stage Line; Rancho CordoVan; and SmaRT Ride.

The Customer Service and Sales Center will be closed. The Customer Service phone lines (916-321-2877) will operate from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.

SacRT wishes everyone a safe holiday weekend as we remember those who dedicated their lives to service for our country.

**Join Our Team – SacRT is Hiring!**
If you want a career that connects you to the community, join the SacRT family! Our agency connects people to opportunities, experiences and each other. We are dedicated to providing safe, reliable and accessible transit services for all residents. We are hosting two in-person Hiring Events:

* Tuesday, May 7, 2024
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
* Tuesday, May 21, 2024
2 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Location:

SacRT Administrative Building, Auditorium
1400 29th Street, Sacramento, CA

Transit: Accessible by bus routes 30, 38, 67, 68 and light rail to the 29th Street Station
Parking: Street parking available.

Learn more at sacrt.com/hiringevents.

**Smart Ride App Log in Update**
There is a new way for SmaRT Ride users to log into the SacRT SmaRT Ride app. The “one-time password” option allows you to receive a code via text or phone call instead of entering an email and password. The change gives users a more secure experience by using their phones to identify themselves and one less password to remember.

To set up this feature, users need to enter their phone number in the app after which, they will receive the code and be able to access the system. To learn more about SmaRT Ride and how to use the app, visit sacrt.com/smartride.

**May is Bike Month**Air up your tires and grab your helmets because May is Bike Month! Take advantage of the spring weather by cycling to your destination. Riding your bike is not only good for your mental and physical health, but also great for the environment. May is Bike Month is your opportunity to participate in a variety of community events, win prizes and connect with other bike advocates and enthusiasts in the region. Whether you’re riding to work, school or for fun, visit lovetoride.net to join the fun on two wheels!

Bikes and transit make the perfect duo. All SacRT buses are equipped with bike racks on the front that can hold up to. Bikes are allowed inside light rail trains. SacRT requires passengers with bikes to leave space available at the front of the first train car for riders with disabilities. Persons boarding light rail trains with a bicycle should not board using the mini-high ramps, as they are reserved for use by persons with disabilities. Learn more about how to bike-and-ride on transit at sacrt.com/bikeandride.