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# **South & East Sacramento County Short Range Transit Plan**

Overview of Recommended Transit Service  
Changes for South & East Sacramento County

# Overview of Presentation

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- Purpose of Short Range Transit Plan
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# **Purpose of the Short Range Transit Plan**

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- A Federal Planning & Programming Requirement
- A California Transportation Development Act Funding Requirement
- Updated every five to seven years
- Previous Plan was completed in 2000 by LSC Transportation Consultants, Inc
- This Plan is for FY08/09 through FY12/13
- Approved by Galt City Council on Feb 19

# Review of Current Transit System

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## Four Transit Services

- Galt Community Transit
  - Demand Response (Mon-Sat)
  - Fixed Routes (Mon-Fri)
  - Medical Tripper (Thu, Fri)
- Delta Route with Route Deviation (Mon-Fri)
- HWY 99 Route (Mon-Fri)
- HWY 16 Route or Sacramento Express (Mon-Fri)

# Current Community Transit Summary

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Galt Community Service Indicators				
	FY04/05	FY05/06	FY06/07	% Change 04/05 to 06/07
<b>Passenger Trips</b>	79,005	54,813	58,120	-26.4%
<b>Vehicle Service Hours</b>	13,340	15,025	16,508	23.7%
<b>Fare Revenue</b>	\$67,847	\$59,463	\$63,543	-6.3%
<b>Operating Cost</b>	\$794,700	\$962,600	\$950,300	19.6%
<b>Trips / Hour</b>	5.9	3.6	3.5	-40.7%
<b>Subsidy / Trip</b>	\$9.20	\$16.48	\$15.26	65.9%

# Current Delta Route Summary

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Delta Route Indicators				
	FY04/05	FY05/06	FY06/07	% Change 04/05 to 06/07
<b>Passenger Trips</b>	4,525	4,013	4,309	-4.8%
<b>Vehicle Service Hours</b>	2,844	3,220	3,241	14.0%
<b>Fare Revenue</b>	\$6,340	\$7,741	\$7,516	18.5%
<b>Operating Cost</b>	\$169,400	\$206,300	\$186,600	10.2%
<b>Trips / Hour</b>	1.6	1.2	1.3	-18.8%
<b>Subsidy / Trip</b>	\$36.04	\$49.48	\$41.55	15.3%

# Current HWY 99 Route Summary

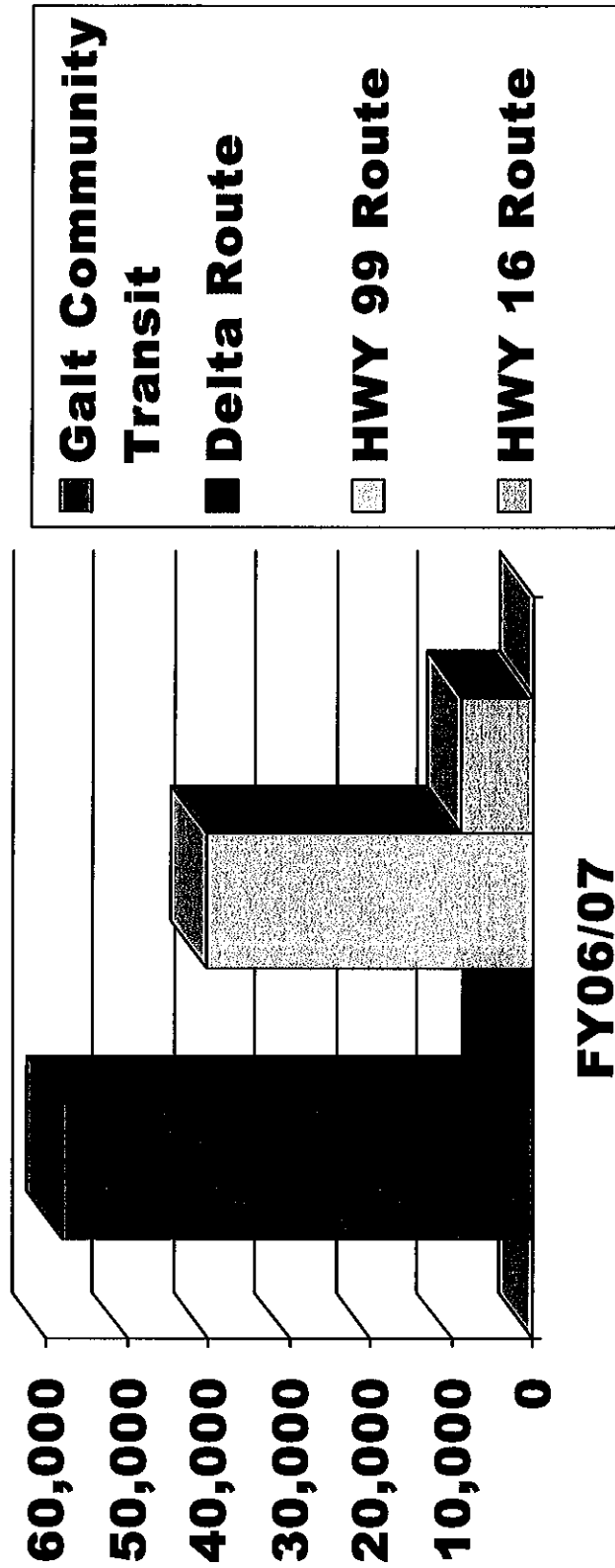


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HWY 99 Route Indicators				
	FY04/05	FY05/06	FY06/07	% Change 04/05 to 06/07
<b>Passenger Trips</b>	47,603	42,525	40,393	-15.1%
<b>Vehicle Service Hours</b>	7,656	7,052	6,923	-9.6%
<b>Fare Revenue</b>	\$48,578	\$65,877	\$64,759	33.3%
<b>Operating Cost</b>	\$456,100	\$451,800	\$398,500	-12.6%
<b>Trips / Hour</b>	6.2	6.0	5.8	-6.5%
<b>Subsidy / Trip</b>	\$8.56	\$9.07	\$8.26	-3.5%

# Passenger Trips by Transit Mode

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# Recommended Changes to Community Transit

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- Eliminate the Galt community fixed routes and expand the Galt community demand response
- Provide a curb to curb level of service based on a flexible schedule
- Reduce demand response service fares
  - General public and elderly & disabled
- Dispatchers & schedulers coordinate with riders

## **Recommended Changes to Community Transit (cont)**

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- **Keep same level of service for medical tripper route**
  - **Serves the elderly, disabled, and adds general public**
- **Evaluate the need for additional demand response service to the Herald area**
  - **Currently served one day a week**

# Recommended Changes to Delta Route

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- Continue the Delta Route with fewer hours of service
- Reduce the number of runs each day from 4 to 3
- Begin the route in Isleton at 7:00 am and end the route in Isleton at 5:00 pm
  - Currently 6:10 am to 7:00 pm at Galt
  - Opportunity to subcontract service
- Fare increase within Delta Area from \$1.00 to \$1.50
  - Matches Delta Breeze fare increase

# Recommended Changes to HWY 99 Route

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- Keep same level of service for route on weekdays – before implementing commuter route
  - Every 60 minutes
- Keep the same span of service (begin & end times)
- Add a bus stop at Twin Cities Road
- After implementing commuter route– reduce service hours each weekday (begin at 7:05 am)
- Add Saturday service and continue if service is used
  - Every 120 minutes in FY 08/09

# HWY 99 Route Saturday Schedule

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	Lodi Transfer Center (leave)	Galt Transfer Center	Florin Mall	Galt Transfer Center	Lodi Transfer Center (arrive)
Run 1	7:50	8:05	8:45	9:25	9:40
Run 2	9:50	10:05	10:45	11:25	11:40
Run 3	11:50	12:05	12:45	1:25	1:40
Run 4	1:50	2:05	2:45	3:25	3:40
Run 5	3:50	4:05	4:45	5:25	5:40

# New Commuter Routes

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- Demand for service north to Sacramento  
>2,000 commuters from Galt to Elk Grove,  
Sacramento, and West Sacramento
- Demand for service south to Stockton  
>1,500 commuters from Galt to Lodi and Stockton
- Only have funds for the Sacramento route at this time  
– FY09/10

# HWY 16 Route (Sacramento Express)

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- Add a monthly pass
- Increase fare from \$2.50 to \$3.00 for Sacramento County section on July 1, 2009
  - Based on fare survey
- Adjust elderly and disabled fare to 50% of general fare

# Transit Capital Recommendations

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## South County

- Replace the 15 vehicles in the fleet during five-year planning cycle
- Add 2 expansion vehicles during the planning cycle
  - One is needed immediately
  - One in FY10/11 as requests for community demand response service increases each year
- Add 2 commuter vehicles by FY10/11
- Total of 19 fleet vehicles during planning period

# Transit Capital Recommendations (cont)

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## South County (cont)

### From Galt Capital Improvement Plan

- Add 6 bus shelters at key locations
  - City Hall
  - Senior Center
  - Senior Housing
  - Others
- Develop a publicly-owned transit facility during the planning period
  - Funding has not been fully identified
  - Need to finalize analysis of scope, schedule, and budget

# Transit Capital Recommendations

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## East County

- Replace the 2 vehicles in the fleet during five-year planning cycle
- Make improvements to bus stop at Rancho Murieta
- Evaluate need for additional commuter service

# Public Outreach



- Conducted On-board Surveys of Riders
- Held a Public Meeting in Galt on September 25<sup>th</sup>
- Sent Letters to Stakeholders
- Posted Flyers on Buses
- Prepared Draft Service Alternatives to Generate Input
- Based the Recommendations on Public Input

# Policy & Governance

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- Sacramento County is the Contract Administrator for both South County and East County
- Need to Evaluate the Feasibility of forming a Joint Powers Authority and other alternatives for South County Transit Services
- Will evaluate during FY08/09 as part of County/SACOG technical assistance contract

# New Service Contract

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- June 30<sup>th</sup> marks the end of the second contract extension for South County Transit Link service
- Caltrans and FTA are requiring a new procurement (Request for Proposals)
- Plan to coordinate the RFP with City of Lodi
  - RFPs will be completely separate
  - Same provider
    - Seek opportunities for cost savings through a single provider for both services

# Questions?

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