S700 Low-Floor Train Testing in June



SacRT is working on final preparations to launch new low-floor trains this summer. Part of that process requires us to test the new low-floor trains to simulate regular revenue service.

Each day between noon and 2 p.m. the new lowfloor trains travel between Watt/Manlove and 13th Street stations. This means that the new low-floor trains operate on the tracks in-between the high-floor trains, stopping at stations; however, customers will not be able to board them just yet.

Night-time testing also continues on the north area Blue Line between Watt/I-80 and Royal Oaks stations. A bus bridge is in place Monday through Friday from 11 p.m. through the end of service.

This testing is part of the final phase called "Burn-In", which involves putting the new low-floor vehicles through 1,000 miles of track operation. Learn more about the new low-floor train testing process at sacrt.com/newtrains.

You're Invited!

Join us at one of our community events to tour the new S700 low-floor light rail train.

Saturday, June 1, 2024 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. 13th Street Station (1225 R Street)

Wednesday, June 12, 2024 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. 7th & Richards/Township 9

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 events at sacrt.com/S700events.



RIDER ALERT

Gold Line Station Platform Changes

Station platform construction on the Gold Line is nearly complete. SacRT is reminding riders to watch their step and keep their eyes focused when walking in the station as the platforms have been raised to meet the height requirement of the new low-floor light rail trains. Riders are urged to cross the stations at the ends of each platform and not in the middle of the station.

Learn more about the Light Rail Modernization Project at sacrt.com/modernization

Schedule Shift on Route 137 in June

Starting Monday, June 17, 2024, the route 137 (Elk Grove/UC Davis Medical Center Express) will depart the UC Davis Medical Center five minutes later, shifting the 6:15 p.m. trip to 6:20 p.m. to offer better travel times for staff.

Visit sacrt.com/ucdhelkgrove for details.

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There are several planned service disruptions in June 2024. It is important to remember that the schedule may change due to various reasons including weather. Riders are urged to check the free Alert SacRT app and sacrt.com/stationclosures.

Archives Outbound Platform Closed

The outbound platform at Archives Plaza Station is closed for customers boarding and deboarding through June 14, 2024. Light rail trains travel through Archives Plaza Station; however, passengers cannot board or deboard on the outbound side of the station because of construction activity. The nearest outbound stations are 13th Street Station and 8th & O Station. A shuttle bus is not available.

Saturday, June 1, 2024

Due to a SacRT related event, there will be a temporary bus bridge in place on Saturday, June 1, 2024 on the Blue and Gold lines between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m.

<u>Gold Line:</u> 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.

Saturday, June 8, 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:

<u>Gold Line:</u> Bus bridge (shuttle buses operate between stations) between 13th Street and Sacramento Valley stations.

<u>Blue Line:</u> Bus bridge (shuttle buses operate between stations) between Globe and 13th Street stations.

Wednesday, June 12, 2024

Due to a SacRT related event, there will be a temporary closure on the Green Line on Wednesday, June 12, 2024 between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. Riders can use bus route 11. (Continued) Saturday, June 15 and Sunday, June 16, 2024
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<u>Gold Line:</u> Bus bridge between 13th Street and Sacramento Valley stations.

Blue Line:

Bus bridge between Globe and 13th Street stations.

SacRT is expected to complete Phase 1 of the platform modification construction on the Gold Line this month. However, testing and double-tracking construction will continue through late summer 2024 to add a passing track at the Glenn/Robert G. Holderness Station in preparation to provide 15-minute light rail frequency service to all Folsom area stations including Hazel, Iron Point, Glenn/Robert G. Holderness and Historic Folsom.

A bus bridge is in place between Iron Point and Historic Folsom stations.

Farmers' Market opens at Meadowview station in June

Starting Sunday, June 2, the Meadowview Certified Farmers' Market will open to the public at the Meadowview light rail station. The market will be open every Sunday between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m.

SacRT also hosts Farmers' Markets at Florin Station on Thursdays between 8 a.m. and noon, and at Sunrise Station on Saturday's between 8 a.m. and noon. Visit sacrt.com/farmersmarket.

Take a Ride on SacRT for Free to Pride

The 2024 Sacramento Pride Festival will take place on Saturday, June 8 and Sunday, June 9, 2024, on Capitol Mall. SacRT has partnered with the Sacramento LGBT Community Center to provide free rides to festival attendees. Learn more about the event and get tickets at sacramentopride.org.

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To ride free, simply print or screenshot the Free Ride Flyer available at sacrt.com/freerideflyer. Only one flyer is needed per group. Present the flyer to the bus operator when boarding the bus, or to a light rail fare inspector upon request. This free ride flyer is available to use on fixed-route bus or light rail on Saturday, June 8 and Sunday, June 9, 2024. Please check schedules prior to riding. Some SacRT routes end earlier on Sundays. Get SacRT trip planning assistance at sacrt.com/planyourtrip or call 916-321-BUSS (2877).

New RydeFreeRT Cards for the Summer

Youth in grades TK through 12th can enjoy more freedom this summer to get to summer jobs, shopping centers, restaurants and more by taking advantage of SacRT's RydeFreeRT, the fare-free transit program for students/youth.

New RydeFreeRT cards with a valid date of June 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, are now available for students/youth to ride the entire SacRT transit network, including SacRT buses and light rail for FREE!

RydeFreeRT is available all day, any day of the week during regular SacRT service hours.

To ride free, students/youth simply need a valid RydeFreeRT card. Youth who are experiencing homelessness or taking part in foster programs are also allowed to participate in the program regardless of current residence or school address.

Students and youth who do not have a RydeFreeRT card can visit SacRT's Customer Service and Sales Center located at 1225 R Street (adjacent to the 13th Street Station) or a participating Sacramento library. For more information, visit rydefreert.com or call 916-321-BUSS (2877).

Arden/Del Paso Parking Lot Closing

Starting in June, the Arden/Del Paso park-and-ride lot will be closed for approximately two years due to construction of an affordable housing development adjacent to the lot. On street parking will be available or riders can park at Globe or Swanston stations.