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SUBJECT: MINOR ROUTE MODIFICATIONS
OCTOBER-DECEMBER, 2001

ISSUE

This is the October-December 2001 quarterly report of minor route modifications implemented by staff in accordance with a policy adopted by the Board of Directors in March 1996. The adopted policy delegates authority for minor route changes not requiring a public hearing (e.g., revised turnaround loops, layover zones, minor re-routings) to staff. The cumulative impact of such changes cannot exceed \$100,000 annually in added cost, and a report to the Board of Directors is to be submitted quarterly. Board members may request that any item described in this report be brought forward for discussion at a future Board meeting.

BACKGROUND

During the period of October through December 2001, MTA staff implemented 21 minor route changes covered by the adopted policy involving MTA Lines 33, 40, 42, 55, 71, 81, 92, 111, 115, 161, 165, 169, 176, 204, 212, 250, 251, 362, and 434. The changes involve modifications to route, layover zone, and turnaround loops. The changes are described and illustrated in detail in the Attachment.

The modifications were made to respond to changes in the operating environment. The implementation of these modifications was cost neutral. The cumulative cost impact for the period between July 1, 2001 and December 31, 2001 is zero.

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Attachment

ATTACHMENT

MINOR SERVICE MODIFICATIONS IMPLEMENTED DURING THE SECOND QUARTER OF FY 2002

This report outlines route modifications implemented during the period of October-December 2001. The modifications will be recorded on Official Route Descriptions.

- **Lines 33 (Venice Blvd), 55 (Imperial Station – Compton Ave. – Downtown L. A.), and 434 (Downtown L. A. – Santa Monica – Malibu – Trancas Express) – Route change in Downtown Los Angeles**

Street closures in the vicinity of L. A. Civic Center resulted in route modification of Lines 33, 55, and 434. Eastbound/Northbound Buses operate via 1st St., Spring St., and Cesar Chavez Ave.

Reason for Change:

For security reasons, streets are closed in the vicinity of L. A. Civic Center by LAPD.

Impact on Budget:

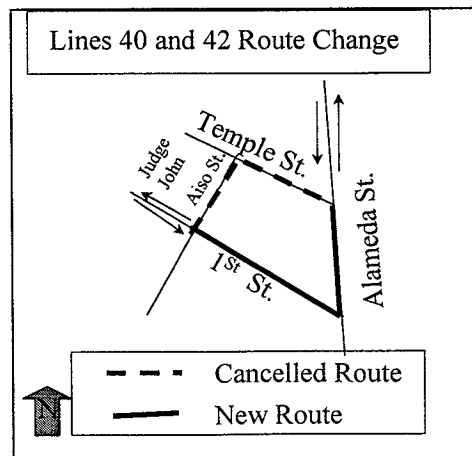
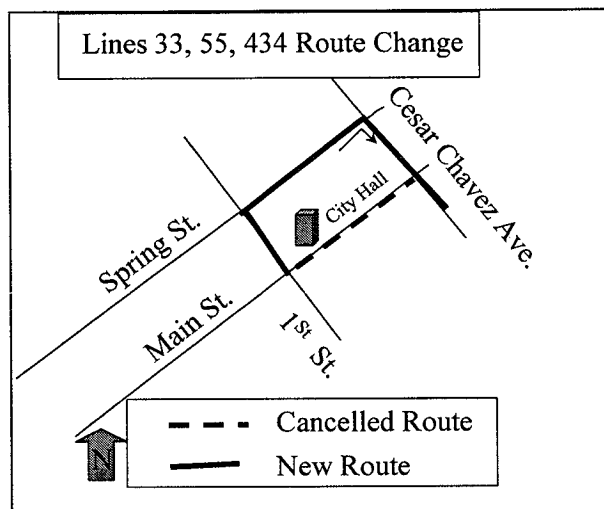
There is no impact on the operating budget.

Impact on Passengers:

Impact on passengers is negligible.

- **Lines 40 (Hawthorne – Downtown L.A.) and 42 (Lax – La Tijera – Downtown L.A.) – Route change in Downtown Los Angeles**

Street closures in the vicinity of L. A. Civic Center resulted in route modification of Lines 40 and 42. Buses operate via 1st St. and Alameda St.



Reason for Change:

Streets are closed in the vicinity of L. A. Civic Center by LAPD.

Impact on Budget:

There is no impact on the operating budget.

Impact on Passengers:

Impact on passengers is negligible.

• **Line 40 Rte. 442 (Hawthorne – LAX – Downtown L.A.) – Route change in Downtown Los Angeles**

Street closures in the vicinity of L. A. Civic Center resulted in route modification of Rte. 442. Buses operate via 1st St. and Alameda St.

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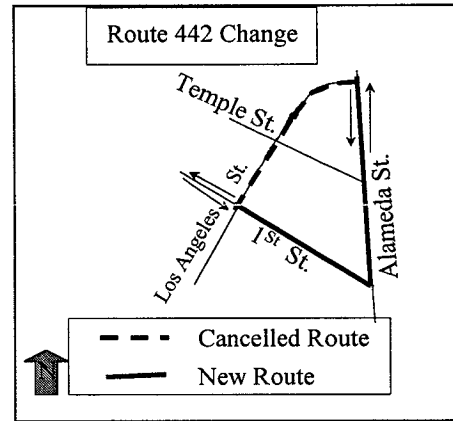
Streets are closed in the vicinity of L. A. Civic Center by LAPD.

Impact on Budget:

There is no impact on the operating budget.

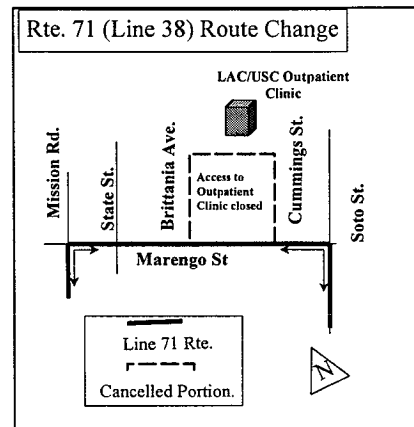
Impact on Passengers:

Impact on passengers is negligible.



• **Line 71 (City Terrace Drive - CSULA) – Route Modification at LAC/USC Medical Center**

Route of Line 71 was modified in the vicinity of LAC/USC Medical Center. The modified route travels via Marengo Street and does not operate into Out Patient Clinic south entrance. Previously, buses operated via Cumming St. to Out Patient Clinic south entrance.



Reason for Change:

Line 71 route was modified due to street closures caused by construction project at LAC/USC Medical Center.

Impact on Budget:

There is no impact on the operating budget.

Impact on Passengers:

Passengers who wish to travel to Out Patient Clinic can transfer to Line 605 along Marengo St. Between Soto and State Sts. Line 605 provides access to the Out Patient Clinic north entrance. Presently, modification to the roadway is underway to operate Line 71 directly into the north entrance.

- **Line 81 (Figueroa Street) – Route Modified through Chinatown**

Route of Line 81 was modified in the vicinity of Chinatown. The new route travels via Hill Street. Previously, buses operated via Hill St., Ord St., New High St., and Spring St.

Reason for Change:

Line 81 route was modified in order to lessen the traffic congestion (pedestrian and automobile) along Ord Street between New High Street and Hill Street in Chinatown.

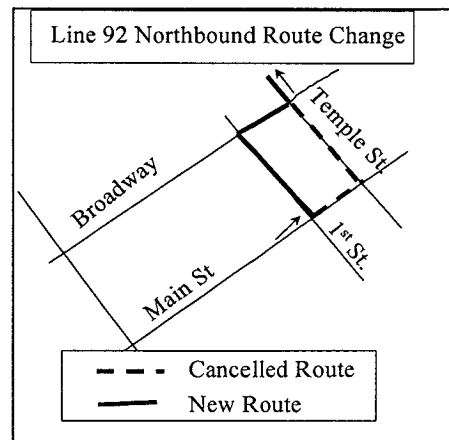
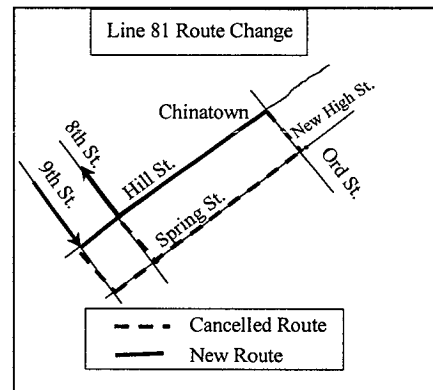
Impact on Budget:

There is no impact on the operating budget.

Impact on Passengers:

Impact on passengers is minor. While operating on detour before permanent implementation, no complaints have been received.

- **Lines 92 (Downtown L.A. – Glendale – Burbank – San Fernando) – Route Change in Downtown Los Angeles**



Street closures in the vicinity of L. A. Civic Center resulted in route modification of Line 92. Buses operate via 1st St. and Broadway

Reason for Change:

Streets are closed in the vicinity of L. A. Civic Center by LAPD.

Impact on Budget:

There is no impact on the operating budget.

Impact on Passengers:

Impact on passengers is negligible.

- **Line 111 (LAX – Florence Ave. – Leffingwell Rd.) – Short Line Turn Around Loop Changes in the City of Inglewood**

Short line layover at Kelso St. and Market St. was relocated to Hillcrest Blvd. between Nutwood Ave. and Manchester Ave. in the City of Inglewood. Buses operate via La Brea Ave. to Hillcrest Bl. layover zone.

Reason for Change:

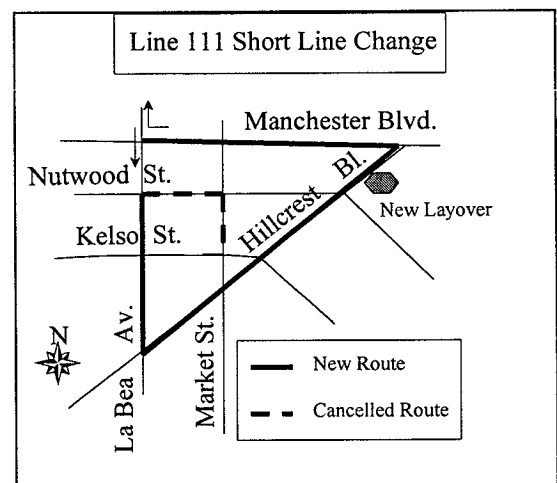
Layover zone was relocated due to construction projects in the vicinity of Market St.

Impact on Budget:

There is no impact on the operating budget.

Impact on Passengers:

There is no adverse impact on passengers.



- **Line 115 (Manchester – Firestone – Pioneer Blvds.) – Route change to East Terminal**

Route was modified at I/605 & I/105 . Green Line Station. Buses travel on I/105 Fwy. - West- on ramp, Hoxie Ave. to the Station. Previously, buses traveled on Imperial Hwy., Hoxie Ave. to the Station.

Reason for Change:

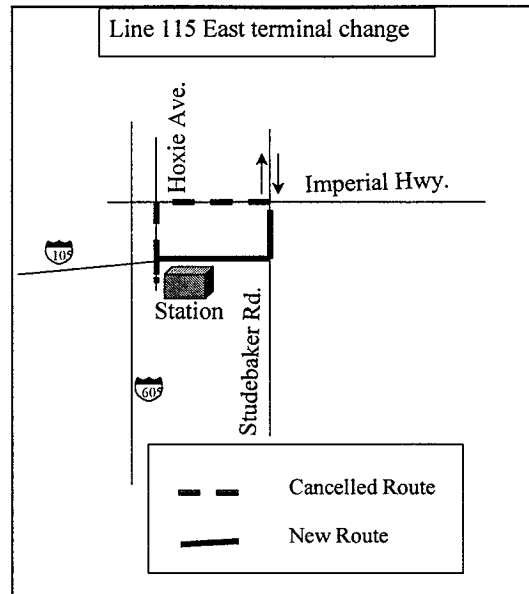
Route was modified to improve on time performance.

Impact on Budget:

There is no impact on the operating budget.

Impact on Passengers:

There is no adverse impact on passengers.



- **Line 115 (Manchester – Firestone – Pioneer Blvds.) – Route Change to West Terminal**

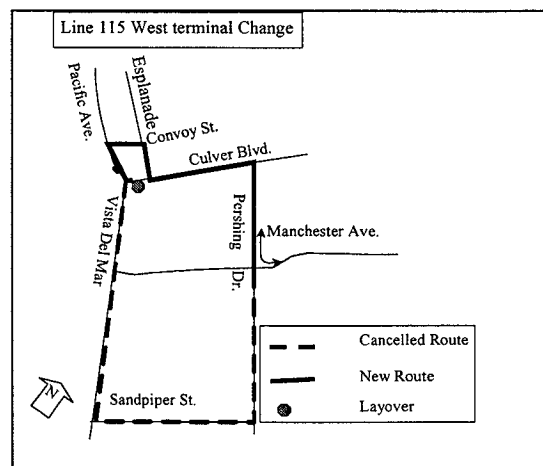
Route of Line 115 was modified to the new west layover zone. Buses travel on Pershing Dr., Culver Blvd., Esplanade, Convoy St., Pacific Ave., and Culver Blvd. to new layover zone.

Reason for Change:

West terminal and route of line was modified due to street closure at Sand Piper St.

Impact on Budget:

There is no impact on the operating budget.



Impact on Passengers:

Impact on passengers is minor.

- **Line 161 (Thousand Oaks Transit Center – Canoga Park) – Service Extended to Thousand Oaks Transit Center**

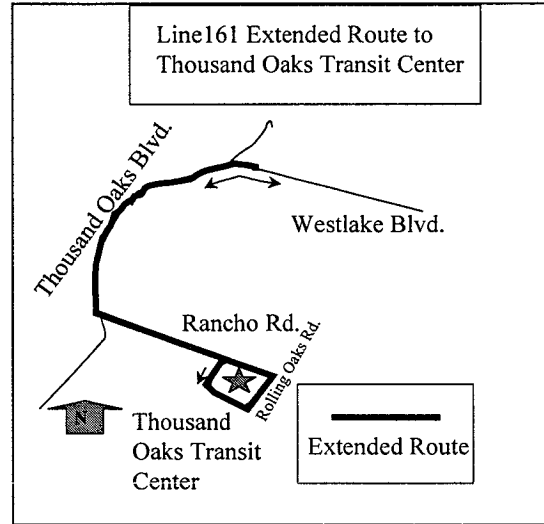
Line 161 was extended to Thousand Oaks Transit Center in the City of Thousand Oaks. Buses travel via Westlake Blvd., Thousand Oaks Blvd., and Rancho Rd. to the Transit Center.

Reason for Change:

Service was extended to provide connections to Thousand Oaks Bus Lines and to provide services to other points of interest.

Impact on Budget:

There is no impact on the operating budget.



Impact on Passengers:

There is no adverse impact on passengers.

- **Line 165 – Rte 164 (Van Owen St. – Victory Blvd.) – New Late Night Turnaround Loop at Valley Circle and Victory Blvds.**

Turnaround loop at Valley Circle Blvd. and Victory Blvd. was modified. Buses travel via Victory Blvd., Platt Ave., Van Owen Ave., to Valley Circle Blvd. Previously, buses operated via Victory Blvd., Sheltondale Ave., Friar St. to Valley Circle Blvd.



Reason for Change:

Turnaround Route was modified due to residential complaints.

Impact on Budget:

There is no impact on the operating budget.

Impact on Passengers:

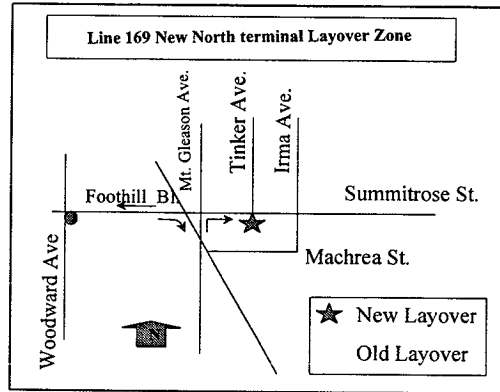
There is no adverse impact on passengers.

- **Line 169 (Saticoy St. – Sunland Blvd.) – North Terminal Layover Zone Relocation**

Northbound route was extended to Summitrose St. and Tinker Ave. Previously, north terminal layover zone was located at Foothill Bl. and Woodward Ave.

Reason for Change:

Route was extended as requested by operators and passengers to provide better access.



Impact on Budget:

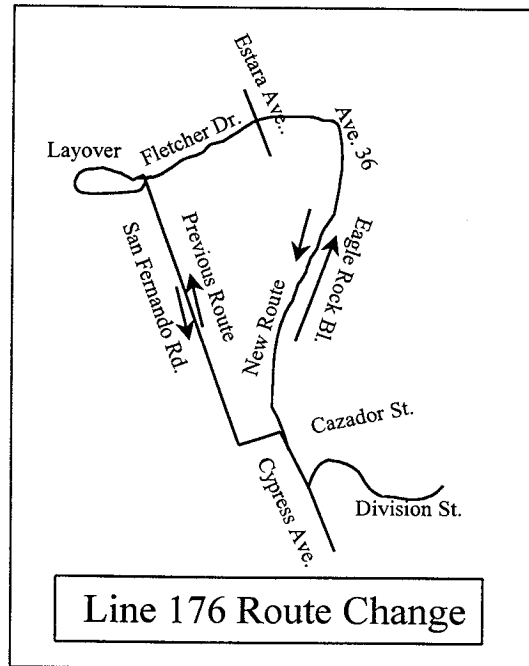
There is no impact on the operating budget.

Impact on Passengers:

There is no adverse impact on passengers

- **Line 176 (Glassel Park – Highland Park – Alhambra - El Monte) – Route Modified in the Vicinity of Fletcher Dr. Layover Zone.**

Route of line 176 was modified on San Fernando Rd. between Cazador St. and Fletcher Dr. Buses operate via Cypress Ave., Eagle Rock Blvd., Ave. 36, and Fletcher Dr. Previously, buses operated via San Fernando Rd. to Fletcher Dr.



Reason for Change:

Route was modified due to schedule delays caused by heavy traffic on San Fernando Rd. and Fletcher Dr.

Impact on Budget:

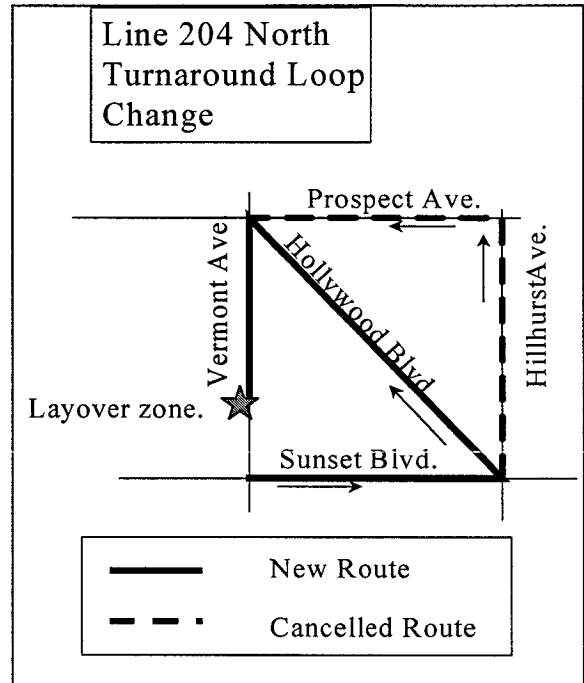
There is no impact on the operating budget.

Impact on Passengers:

Passengers who wish to travel on San Fernando Rd. between Cazador St. and Fletcher Dr. can ride Lines 90 and 94 on San Fernando Rd. which provide frequent services throughout the day.

- **Line 204 (Vermont Ave.) – New Turnaround Loop at Hollywood Blvd. and Sunset Blvd.**

Line 204 north terminal turnaround loop was modified. Buses travel via Vermont Ave., Sunset Blvd., Hollywood Blvd. to layover zone on Vermont Ave. Previously, buses traveled on Vermont Ave., Hollywood Blvd., Hillhurst Ave., Prospect Ave., and Vermont Ave.



Reason for Change:

Turnaround route was modified due to residential complaints.

Impact on Budget:

There is no impact on the operating budget.

Impact on Passengers:

Impact on passengers is minor.

- **Line 212 (La Brea Ave.) – Short Line Layover Change in the City of Inglewood**

Short line layover at Kelso St. and Market St. was relocated to Hillcrest Blvd. between Nutwood Ave. and Manchester Ave. in the City of Inglewood. Buses operate via La Brea Ave. to Hillcrest Bl. layover zone.

Reason for Change:

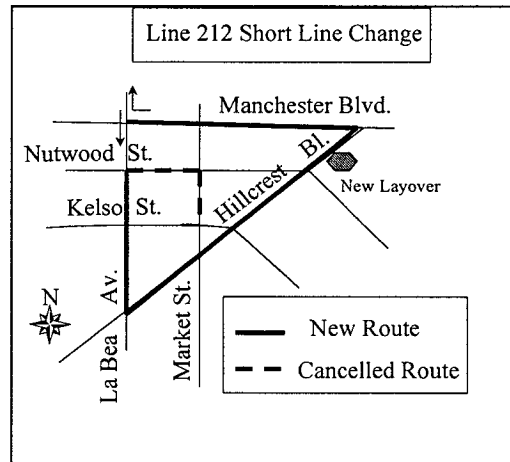
Layover zone was relocated due to construction projects in the vicinity of Market St.

Impact on Budget:

There is no impact on the operating budget.

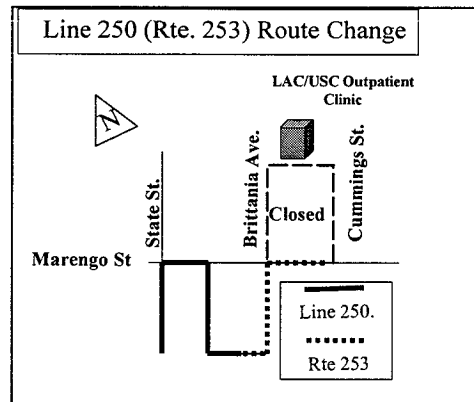
Impact on Passengers:

There is no adverse impact on passengers.



- **Line 250 – Rte 253 (Euclid Ave. – Evergreen Ave.) – Route Modification at LAC/USC Medical Center**

Route of Line 250 – Rte. 253 was modified at LAC/USC Medical Center. The new route travels via Marengo Street and does not operate into Out Patient Clinic south entrance. Previously, buses operated via Cumming St. to Out Patient Clinic south entrance.



Reason for Change:

Line 250 – Rte. 253 route was modified due to street closures caused by construction project at LAC/USC Medical Center.

Impact on Budget:

There is no impact on the operating budget.

Impact on Passengers:

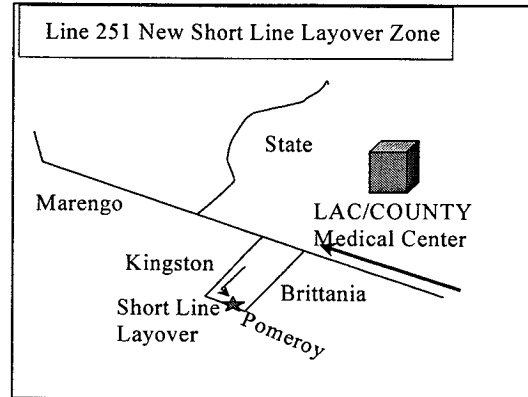
Passengers who wish travel to Out Patient Clinic can transfer to Line 605 along Marengo St. Between Soto and State Sts. Line 605 provides access to the Out Patient Clinic north entrance.

- **Line 251 (California Ave. – Soto St. – Daly St.) – New Short Line at LAC/USC Medical Center**

New short line operation was implemented for Line 251. New short line operates via Kingston Ave., Pomeroy Ave., and Britannia St.

Reason for Change:

New short line was created to improve schedule efficiency. New short line operation provides extra hours to add services along Soto St. south of Marengo St.



Impact on Budget:

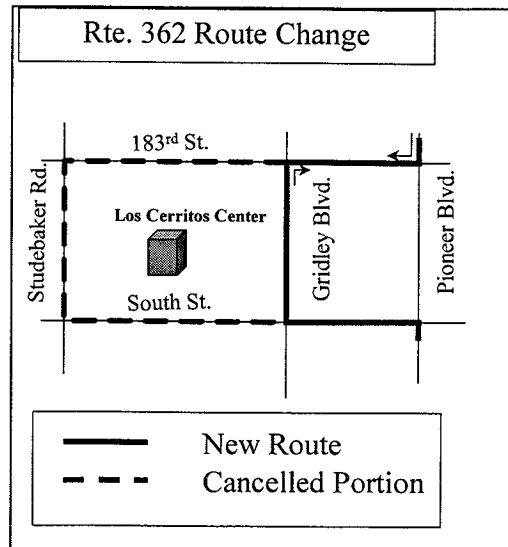
There is no impact on the operating budget.

Impact on Passengers:

There is no adverse impact on passengers. More services will be provided at peak locations on Marengo St.

- **Line 362 (L.A. – Santa Fe Springs – Norwalk – Hawaiian Gardens Limited.) – Route Change in Cerritos**

Route of Line 362 was modified in the vicinity of Los Cerritos Center in the City of Cerritos. New route travels on 183rd St., Gridley Ave., and South St. to Pioneer Blvd. Previously, buses traveled via South St., Studebaker Rd., 183rd St., and Gridley Ave.



Reason for Change:

Route was modified to make the schedule more efficient by canceling the underused portion of the route that is duplicated by Cerritos On Wheel bus service and to reduce the total running time to increase the recovery time for operators.

Impact on Budget:

There is no impact on the operating budget.

Impact on Passengers:

Due to low ridership of the cancelled portion of the route, impact on passengers is minor. Impacted passengers can utilize Cerritos On Wheel bus service provided by the City of Cerritos.