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The Bus to hold workshops on routes and schedules

Merced – The Merced County Association of Governments’ Social Services Transportation Advisory Council and the Transit Joint Powers Authority for Merced County are holding public forums to seek input from residents and discuss the future of transit service in the region.

Six public hearings are scheduled throughout the region to receive testimony from community residents on unmet transit needs that may exist in Merced County. These hearings are part of the ongoing commitment to improve the overall transit system and provide efficient service to the greatest number of people in Merced County. The public hearings are scheduled as follows:

<p>City of Atwater March 22, 2016 3:00pm AND 6:00pm Atwater Council Chambers 750 Bellevue Road, Atwater</p>	<p>City of Merced March 24, 2016 3:00pm AND 6:00pm Merced Council Chambers 678 W 18th Street, Merced</p>	<p>City of Los Banos April 5, 2016 3:00pm AND 6:00pm Los Banos Community Center 645 7th Street, Los Banos</p>
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In addition, The Bus will be holding 14 workshops throughout the region to share information and discuss proposed route and schedule changes with community residents. These workshops will be opportunities to learn about what The Bus has planned for the coming year and to provide feedback on the proposed plans and changes. Current riders and community residents are encouraged to attend.

<p>City of Livingston March 10, 2016 3:30pm AND 5:30pm City Council Chambers 1416 C St, Livingston</p>	<p>City of Dos Palos March 15, 2016 3:30pm AND 5:30pm Dale Hale Hall 931 Center St, Dos Palos</p>	<p>City of Gustine March 16, 2016 3:30pm AND 5:30pm Gustine Library 205 6th St, Gustine</p>	<p>Le Grand April 7, 2016 3:30pm AND 5:30pm Le Grand Legion Hall 12560 Le Grand Rd, Le Grand</p>
<p>Delhi April 12, 2016 3:30pm AND 5:30pm Education Park Conference Room, 16881 Schendel Ave., Delhi</p>	<p>Winton April 13, 2016 3:30pm AND 5:30pm Winton VFW 7093 Walnut Ave, Winton</p>	<p>Planada April 14, 2016 Community Center 9167 E. Stanford St, Planada</p>	

The Bus provides transit service along 20 fixed routes seven days a week serving the cities of Atwater, Dos Palos, Gustine, Livingston, Los Banos and Merced, as well as the communities of Hilmar, Stevinson, Le Grand, Planada and Winton. Real-time information regarding bus locations, services and arrival times can be found at www.thebuslive.com. All buses are equipped with bike racks and are wheelchair accessible. Reduced rates are available for students, seniors, veterans and individuals with disabilities.

The Bus is the single public transportation service provider for all of Merced County and is administered by the Transit Joint Powers Authority for Merced County and managed by the Merced County Association of Governments (MCAG). For more information, please visit www.mercedthebus.com and www.mcagov.org.

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