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Merced County Transit Modifies Route 14 Weekday Service of the Los Banos Bus Route

Merced, CA - Merced County Transit (TheBus) announces the restructuring of its route 14, which provides service in the City of Los Banos. Effective Tuesday, July 6, route 14 will be modified to operate as two loops traveling in opposite directions. Route 14 operates in both directions on weekdays, but only counter-clockwise on Saturdays.

Buses will operate on a 45-minute frequency. "This change in the way service is provided to our customers on route 14 will provide them with a more direct way to get to their destinations," said Rod Ghearing, Transit Manager for TheBus. "Currently, passengers using route 14 often have to travel for long distances or times before reaching their destinations. The new opposite direction loops will eliminate this inconvenience," Ghearing said.

The newly configured route will continue to serve most of the destinations served by the current route, including Kmart, McArthur Apartments, the Fairgrounds & the County Offices, Los Banos Memorial Hospital, Wal-Mart, Los Banos Library and Los Banos High School.

Merced County Transit operates fixed-route services Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Merced County Transit is a joint powers authority composed of the cities of Atwater, Dos Palos, Gustine, Livingston, Los Banos, and Merced, as well as the County of Merced. The program is administered by the Merced County Department of Public Works -Transportation Division.

For route and schedule information, call (209) 385-7600 or visit www.mercedthebus.com.