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EXPRESS BUS CHANGES COMING TO GLENDALE JANUARY 24

GLENDALE, Ariz. -- Service changes on some Glendale Express bus routes will start on Monday, Jan. 24. The affected routes include the Grand Avenue Limited, which has been extended; Route 570, which has been discontinued; and Route 581, which has been shortened.

Effective Jan. 24, the Grand Avenue Limited, which serves Phoenix, Glendale, Peoria and El Mirage, will be extended to provide service from downtown Phoenix along Central Avenue to Camelback Road. This route extension was added to provide service from downtown Glendale to destinations along Central Avenue between Van Buren and Camelback. Bus service to this corridor had been provided by Express Route 570 – Glendale Express. However, effective Jan. 24 the Route 570 will cease to operate. The extension of Grand Avenue Limited was created to minimize the impact of the Route 570 closure.

Express Route 581 – North Mountain Express, which connects 59th Avenue and Thunderbird to downtown Phoenix, will now terminate at the Metrocenter Transit Center. Additionally, one morning and one evening trip will be discontinued. Passengers continuing to downtown Phoenix will now need to transfer at Metrocenter to a RAPID bus which will take them to downtown Phoenix. Also, Phoenix plans to add additional RAPID route service from Metrocenter to downtown Phoenix starting Jan. 24.

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Express Route Changes

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These route modifications were triggered by route restructuring in Phoenix. Service changes were based on rider feedback, and structured to minimize impacts and affect the least number of riders. These route changes will be evaluated after a 12-month period.

New schedules for the Route 581- North Mountain Express and the Grand Avenue Limited along with information on Phoenix RAPID buses are available online at www.valleymetro.org, or by calling Valley Metro Customer Service at 602-253-5000.

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