### REGIONAL TRANSIT ISSUE PAPER

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Subject: Park-Pay-and-Ride Program Marketing and Outreach Plan for Phase 2

### **ISSUE**

Provide update and presentation on the Park-Pay-and-Ride program.

### RECOMMENDED ACTION

None. For information only.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

None. For information only.

### **DISCUSSION**

Effective Friday, October 1, 2010, RT will impose a \$1 parking fee at the Meadowview, Florin, and Power Inn light rail stations as part of the expansion of the Park-Pay-and-Ride program.

In order for the implementation of the program to go smoothly, RT park-and-ride customers need to be informed of this change and educated on the procedures so that they experience minimal disruptions. Therefore, RT's marketing staff has planned a marketing and outreach campaign to inform park-and-ride customers about the October 1, 2010, implementation date, educate park-and-ride customers on how to use the new pay machines, encourage regular customers to purchase monthly parking passes, and inform customers about the citation process if they fail to pay.

The marketing and outreach efforts began August 1, 2010. These efforts are systemwide, as well as targeted directly to customers utilizing the three designated park-pay-and-ride lots. The breakdown of activities, listed by date, are as follows:

#### **August**

#### **Print Media**

- Article about the paid parking program in the August Next Stop News passenger newsletter
- Informational flyers placed on cars parked in the three affected park-pay-and-ride lots

#### **Electronic/Social Media**

- Post information on the RT website
- E-mail flyer to the Transportation Management Associations

#### Outreach

Present information during Transportation Management Association (TMA) meetings

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#### September

#### **Print Media**

- Article about the paid parking program in the September Next Stop News passenger newsletter
- Informational flyers placed on cars parked in the three affected park-pay-and-ride lots
- Mini-posters
- Poster placed in the RT Customer Service and Sales Center

#### **Electronic/Social Media**

- Include the Park-Pay-and-Ride program as a topic during "Transit Talk with the General Manager" (monthly online chat)
- Facebook posting
- E-mail blast
- News release
- Post Headways (employee) bulletin

### Signage

- Place large notification banners at three new park-pay-and-ride lots
- Electronic variable message signs placed at the entrance of the affected stations
- A-frame signs placed at Meadowview, Florin, and Power Inn light rail stations

#### Outreach

- Present information during the Sacramento TMA meeting
- Contact Employee Transportation Coordinators
- Implement the Customer Assistance Program at the Meadowview, Florin, and Power Inn light rail stations. Staff will demonstrate parking payment kiosks, answer questions, and sell monthly parking passes

### October 1 – Parking Program Goes Live

#### **Print Media**

 Article about the paid parking program in the October Next Stop News passenger newsletter

#### Outreach

 Continue the Customer Assistance Program at the Meadowview, Florin, and Power Inn light rail stations. Staff will demonstrate parking payment kiosks, answer questions, and sell monthly parking passes

Note: Early next year, 47th Avenue, Swanston, and Marconi light rail stations will be added to the Park-Pay-and-Ride program.





### **Marketing and Outreach Plan**

Presented by Kristi Brangle September 13, 2010





- Program Implementation –
   Friday, October 1, 2010
- Stations Meadowview, Florin and Power Inn
- Number of Spaces 2,065
- Cost \$1 per day or \$15 per month





Park











Pay

Daily Pass: \$1

### **Payment Methods**

- Parking Payment Kiosk
- Pay by Cell Phone







Monthly Pass: \$15

### **Payment Methods**

- Online
- RT Customer Service and Sales Center
- Key RT Sales Outlets











### **Print Materials**

- Next Stop News Passenger Newsletter (August, September and October)
- Mini Posters
   (bus and light rail vehicles)
- Informational Flyers

   (affected park-and-ride lots)







### Electronic/ Social Media

- RT Website
- Facebook Fan Page
- E-Mail Blast
- Transit Talk with the General Manager (GM Online Chat)









# Signage

- Banners
- A-Frame Posters
- Electronic Variable Message Sign





### Outreach

**Customer Assistance Program** 

• September 21 – 23 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

- September 28 October 1
  6 a.m. to 9 a.m.
- October 4
  6 a.m. to 9 a.m.







# Park-Pay-and-Ride

Friday, October 1, 2010