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Media Advisory

XPRESS REGIONAL TRANSIT SERVICE DELIVERY UPDATE

SRTA Reduces Service Levels of Xpress Transit in response to COVID-19 Pandemic

ATLANTA – On Monday, March 23, 2020, the State Road and Tollway Authority will begin reducing service levels of Xpress transit, to implement social distancing on the coaches while efficiently serving a much smaller ridership that still includes essential workers in the region.

Xpress services are committed to doing its part in slowing the spread of the coronavirus while continuing to provide critical services to healthcare professionals, first responders, and other employees in key industries that rely on public transit.

“We do not take this decision to reduce services lightly as we know our riders depend on Xpress for their transit needs. We join many regional leaders that are currently making difficult decisions in the interest of public safety to help slow the spread of Coronavirus,” stated Chris Tomlinson, Executive Director of SRTA. “While we may have to make additional changes in the future as the situation remains fluid, we are committed to reinstating our full schedule when we are responsibly able to do so.”

SRTA understands that these changes may be inconvenient to some of our customers, we believe these operational decisions meet the needs of protecting the health and safety of our customers, the Xpress transit employees, and our goal of continuing to run safe and reliable service without major disruptions.

To review the revised schedule for Xpress, click the link <https://www.xpressga.com/reducedschedule/>. We will continue to evaluate our service plans and ridership on an ongoing basis.

For more information on SRTA's efforts and service updates related to COVID-19 prevention, please visit <https://www.srta.ga.gov/covid-19/>.

About the State Road and Tollway Authority (SRTA)

SRTA is a state-level, independent Authority created to operate tolled transportation facilities within Georgia and acts as the transportation financing arm for the state. SRTA manages the collection of tolls on Georgia's Express Lanes System through the use of Peach Pass; administers the Atlanta region's vanpool program; and manages the Xpress regional commuter coach transit service. In 2017, SRTA combined with the Georgia Regional Transportation Authority (GRTA) to jointly provide the services of both state authorities. The GRTA Board of Directors oversees Developments of Regional Impact, air quality reporting and regional transportation plan approval.

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