



Central Maryland Transportation & Mobility Commission

30 Day Public Comment Period

Wednesday, November 14th through Thursday, December 13, 2018.

Central Maryland Transportation & Mobility Commission gives notice of a public hearing regarding proposed route and/or schedule changes affecting Regional Transportation Agency (RTA) routes: 401, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 409B, 414 and 501. The public hearing will be held on Thursday, December 13, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the RTA Administration Building located at 8510 Corridor Road, Suite 110, Savage, Maryland. Riders can access the location via RTA Route 409. CMTMC opens a 30-day public comment period on Wednesday, November 14th through Thursday, December 13, 2018. During this period the public is encouraged to provide feedback regarding proposed changes by submitting written comments either online, www.transitRTA.com, email, consumer@transitRTA.com, 7-1-1 MD Relay or mail, RTA Administration office, 8510 Corridor Road, Suite 110, Savage, MD 20763. Proposed changes are scheduled to begin Monday, March 31, 2019.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS


Proposed changes to 10 of RTA's current 15 route fixed route system will:

- Add 5,600 fixed route service hours increasing rider travel options
- Add two new routes; 403 and 414 to allow for direct/efficient routing with shorter ride times
- Adjust schedules to improve reliability and on time performance
- Streamline routes and schedules making them easier to understand
- Eliminate 2 hour frequencies
- Increase frequency to 30 minutes and one hour giving riders more service options
- Add new or expanded service on Sunday on routes 404, 405, 407, 408 and 501
- Reduce service hours on Christmas Eve, New Year's Eve and Thanksgiving Eve when ridership slows

ROUTE	PROPOSAL	
	ROUTE CHANGE	KEY SERVICE CHANGE
401 Clary's Forest	None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More Monday to Friday midday half-hour service for successful route. • Saturday service increases to every half-hour during the day.
403 Dorsey's Search Village Center	New Route (Serves part of Existing Route 405)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides a direct connection and Sunday service to Columbia Town Center from Dorsey's Search Village Center, Selbourne House, Red Branch Road, and Columbia 100 Parkway.
404 Hickory Ridge	Split into 2 Routes — 404 & 414	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increases service to every hour on Sundays. Robinson Nature Center will be served only Saturday and Sunday by request. • Route will terminate at Hickory Ridge.
405 Ellicott City	Elimination of Loops A & B, and Dorsey's Search Village Center	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduces ride time between Ellicott City and Columbia Town Center by 30 percent. • Increases service to every hour on Saturday. • Expands to provide Sunday service with service every hour. • Dorsey's Search Village Center will be served by the New Route 403.

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406 Columbia Gateway	Shorter Routing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides a more direct connection and reduced ride time to Snowden Square and the Howard County Complex in Gateway by 50%.
407 Kings Contrivance	Same w/ Minor Modification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increases frequency to half-hour between Columbia Mall and Owen during the daytime (Monday – Saturday) Columbia Medical Plan currently served by the route will be served by Route 408.
408 Sherwood Crossing	Serves Parts of Existing Route 406	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increases service to every half-hour service between Columbia Mall and Columbia Crossing (Target). New hourly service on Sunday. MD Food Center currently served by route will be served by Routes 409 and 501. Oakland Mills currently served by route will be served by Route 407. Stop on Tamar Drive and Carriage House Lane will no longer be served.
409 & 409B Towne Centre Laurel/Elkridge	Combined 409 & 409B	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Combines 409 & 409B for efficiency and ease of understanding. Reduces service span in the evenings due to low productivity. Buses will maintain hourly service Monday to Saturday. Eliminates service to underperforming locations such as Route 100 Industrial Park and Dorsey MARC Station (Savage MARC Station will continue to be served).
414 Kings Contrivance	New Route (Serves part of Existing Route 404)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides a direct connection during the day between Kings Contrivance, Howard Community College and Columbia Mall, Monday to Friday. Reduces ride time by 50%.
501 Arundel Mills Mall	Slight Modification for More Efficient Routing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increases to half-hour service between Columbia Mall and Snowden Square. Broken Land Parkway Park and Ride will no longer be served due to low ridership. Ride time to Arundel Mills Mall from Columbia Mall will be reduced by 11%. Sunday service increases to every hour.

November 8, 2018



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If you require special accommodations, please contact RTA Mobility in advance at 1-800-270-9553 Monday-Friday 8:30 am-5:00 pm. RTA complies fully with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

For more information regarding proposed route changes, information sessions or to comment, visit www.transitRTA.com or call the RTA, Monday- Friday, 8:30 am-5:00 pm at 1-800-270-9553. Anyone requiring special accommodations, or who requires printed materials in an alternative format should contact RTA in advance to make arrangements.