

2019 RTA Route and Schedule Change Recommendations/Decision Matrix

Route	Existing	Proposed	RTA Staff Recommendation	Central Maryland Transportation & Mobility Commission Recommendation
Route 401 - Clary's Forest - Columbia Mall				
	Weekday	- 30 min. frequency during morning and afternoon peak - 1 hour frequency between 10 am and 2 pm; 6 pm and 11 pm	- Adds 1/2 hour frequency during mid-day and early morning peak	Implement as proposed.
	Saturday	- 1 hour frequency all day	- Adds 1/2 hour frequency between 8:00 am and 6:00 pm	
	Sunday	- 1 hour frequency all day	- Ends 1 hour later	
Route 403 - Dorsey Search VC to Columbia Mall				
	Weekday	- Used to be part of Route 405 - 1 hour frequency during the day - 2 hour frequency after 6 pm	- Hourly service all day - Extends service to Selborne House from 8pm to 10 pm	Implement as proposed.
	Saturday	- Used to be part of Route 405 - 1 hour frequency during the day - 2 hour frequency after 6 pm	- Extends service to Selborne House from 6 pm to 8 pm - Hourly service all day	
NEW	Sunday	- No Sunday service	- 9:30 am to 5 pm - Hourly frequency.	
Route 404 - Hickory Ridge to Columbia Mall				
	Weekday	- Serve both Hickory Ridge and Kings Contrivance - Hourly service during the day - 2 hour frequency after 6 pm	- Serves Hickory Ridge - Kings Contrivance to be served by Route 414 - Hospital served by Route 401 - 1 hour frequency all day	Implement the 1 hour frequency proposed, but realign the route (per RTA staff recommendation) to serve the hospital and exterior stops at Howard Community College. As well as "on-demand" service to the Robinson Nature Center.
	Saturday	- Hourly service during the day - 2 hour frequency after 6 pm	- 1 hour frequency all day	
	Sunday	- 2 hour frequency all day	- 1 hour frequency all day	
Route 405 - Ellicott City to Columbia Mall				
	Weekday	- A and B Loops (counter clockwise and clockwise) - 50 minute ride time	- Elimination of A & B Loop - Replaced by single Ellicott City Loop; Loop does not operate after 6 pm - Dorsey's Village will be served by Route 403 - 35 minute ride time between Ellicott City and Columbia	Implement as proposed.
	Saturday	- Service ends @ 8 pm	- Extends to 10 pm	
NEW	Sunday	- No Sunday Service	- 9 am and 6 pm - 1 hour frequency - Loop does not operate on Sunday.	
Route 406 - Columbia Gateway to Columbia Mall				
	Weekday	- Operates via 175, Long Reach to Columbia Crossing, Dobbin Center, Snowden Square, & Gateway - 45 minute ride time to Snowden Square - 5:30 am to 11:00 pm	- More direct alignment via Broken Land Pkwy and Snowden River Pkwy - 30 minute ride time to Snowden Square - No longer goes through Long Reach or serves Columbia Crossing & Dobbin Center - will be served by Route 408 - Shorter span, 6:45 am to 6:00 pm	Implement as proposed.

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Saturday	- 7:30 am to 10:00 pm - 2 hour frequency after 6 pm	- No Saturday service - To be picked up by Route 408		
Sunday	- 10 am to 6:00 pm - 2 hour frequency	- No Sunday service - To be picked up by Route 408		
Route 407 - Kings Contrivance to Columbia Mall				
Weekday	- 1 hour frequency - Serves Columbia Medical Plan	- 1/2 hour service to Owen Brown; Kings Contrivance will maintain at 1 hour service - Columbia Medical Plan served by Route 408	Implement as proposed.	Implement as proposed.
Saturday	- 2 hour frequency after 6 pm	- 1/2 hour service to Owen Brown; Kings Contrivance will maintain at 1 hour service.		
Sunday	- 2 hour frequency all day	- 1 hour service all day		
Route 408 - Sherwood Crossing to Columbia Mall				
Weekday	- Service to MD Food Center via Oakland Mills, Long Reach, and Sherwood Crossing - 2 hour frequency after 6:30 pm	- More direct route to Columbia Crossing and Sherwood Crossing - Adds connection to Snowden Square - Oakland Mills will be served by Route 407 - Route will no longer terminate at MD Food Center - MD Food Center will be served by Routes 409 and 501 - 30 minute frequency to Columbia Crossing during the day; 1 hour frequency to Sherwood Crossing all day - Carriage House Lane stops will no longer be served	After the Public Hearing, staff recommends an adjustment to the route 408 which would serve Columbia Crossing and Dobbin Center. In addition, two new routes would be developed (Route 402 and 412) to supplement service to Columbia Crossing and Dobbin Center.	Implement as recommended by RTA staff.
Saturday	- 2 hour frequency all day	- 30 minute frequency to Columbia Crossing during the day; 1 hour frequency to Sherwood Crossing all day		
NEW Sunday	- No Sunday Service	- 8:30 am to 8:00 pm - 1 hour frequency		
Route 409/409B - Town Centre Laurel to Elkridge Shopping Center				
Weekday	- Route 409: Town Centre Laurel to Elkridge SC - Route 409: 6 am to 10:00 pm - Route 409B: North Laurel Community Center to MD Food Center - Route 409B: 6 am to 6 pm	- Combines both Routes 409 and 409B into one route - Route 100 Industrial Park and Dorsey MARC Station will no longer be served - Service ends at 7:00 pm - North Laurel Community Center no longer served 409 will continue to be serve by Route 503	Implement as proposed.	Important: The Commissioners representing the City of Laurel and Prince George's County did not support ending service at 7 pm. Span of service will be reassessed in the future based on demand and funding availability.
Saturday	- Route 409: 2 hour frequency all day - Route 409B: 1 hour frequency all day	- 1 hour frequency all day - Reduced hours in the evenings		
Sunday	- No Sunday service	- No Sunday service		

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Route 414 - Kings Contrivance to Columbia				
Weekday	- Used to be part of Route 404 - Service to 9 pm - 45 min. between Kings Contrivance and Columbia Mall	- Separate route for direct connection and shorter ride time. - 25 min. between Kings Contrivance and Columbia Mall	Implement as proposed.	Implement as proposed.
Saturday	-	- Saturday service on Route 407		
Sunday	-	- Sunday service on Route 407		
Route 501 - Arundel Mills to Columbia				
Weekday	- via Broken Land Pkwy and Snowden River Pkwy - 1 hour frequency all day	- via 175 for a more direct routing - 30 min. frequency between Snowden Square and Columbia Mall during the day - 1 hour frequency between Arundel Mills and Columbia Mall - Broken Land P&R will no longer be served	Staff recommends maintaining the 60 min. frequency on the 501. This service area will be supplemented by the NEW Route 402 and 412 which will provide 1/2 service between Columbia Mall and Dobbin Center.	Implement as recommended by RTA staff.
Saturday	- 1 hour frequency all day	- 30 min. frequency between Snowden Square and Columbia Mall during the day - 1 hour frequency between Arundel Mills and Columbia Mall		
Sunday	- 2 hour frequency all day	- 1 hour frequency all day		
Reduced service hours on Christmas Eve, New Year's Eve and Thanksgiving Eve.				
	Regular service hours on Christmas, New Year's and Thanksgiving Eve's.	End service early on the day before Christmas, New Year's and Thanksgiving.	Staff recommends reducing service to 9 pm on Christmas Eve.	Implement as recommended by RTA staff.

Approved as noted:



Date 1/31/19

Calvin Ball, Howard County Executive

Attest:  Date 2/11/19
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