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SUN TRAN ANNOUNCES NEW SERVICE

New express route from Marana and later weeknight service

TUCSON, Ariz. – Sun Tran is putting funds provided by the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) and the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) to work. Effective Monday, May 21, Sun Tran will launch a new express route from Marana to downtown Tucson and later weeknight service on seven routes.

To offer commuting alternatives during the I-10 Widening Project, ADOT has provided funding for Route 391, new weekday rush-hour express service from Cortaro Road and I-10 into downtown Tucson. For passenger convenience, a Park-and-Ride lot has been established at Arizona Pavilions, off Cortaro Road west of I-10. Funding by ADOT accelerates the launch of the Marana Express nearly two years earlier than originally planned by the RTA.

"Sun Tran is excited to provide new service for commuters from the northwest," said Katrina Heineking, Sun Tran's General Manager. "We're offering a stress-free alternative to get people downtown. And with I-10 under construction soon, the timing is great."

Also on May 21, Sun Tran will launch later weeknight service on seven more routes funded by the RTA. Routes 1, 10, 15, 17, 19, 22 and 34 will receive weeknight service until 11 p.m.

Sun Tran will also adjust three routes to improve on-time performance:

Route 8 - Weekday and weekend schedule changes effective Sunday, May 20.

Route 9 – Downtown portion of this route modified effective Sunday, May 20.

Route 17 - Weekday schedule changes effective Monday, May 21.

The new Sun Tran Ride Guide is now available on buses and at over 500 locations, such as public libraries, major malls, transit centers, pass sales and information outlets throughout Tucson, and at Sun Tran's administrative office, located at 4220 South Park Avenue.

For specific Sun Tran bus information, consult the Ride Guide, visit the website at www.suntran.com, or call Sun Tran's Customer Service Center at (520) 792-9222 (for individuals with TDD equipment, call 520-628-1565).