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Changes coming to Metrolink service in Riverside County, including new weekend service for Perris Valley residents

Metrolink and the Riverside County Transportation Commission are responding to customer feedback by adjusting train schedules to help riders reach their destinations easier this fall. Changes start October 14 and October 19 for the 91/Perris Valley Line and the Riverside Line.

"Metrolink riders have been asking for weekend service on the 91/Perris Valley Line and other service changes to help with their commutes," said RCTC Chair and Riverside County Supervisor Chuck Washington. "RCTC is funding the weekday service changes. The new 91/Perris Valley Line weekend schedule is being funded in part by a Caltrans grant to help reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve mobility, with a priority on serving disadvantaged communities," he said.

Weekend service will start October 19 from the Perris Valley. Riders from the Perris-South, Perris-Downtown, Moreno Valley/March Field, and Riverside-Hunter Park/UCR Stations now can ride on Saturdays and Sundays to Los Angeles Union Station, Fullerton, and other destinations, just in time for the Dia de los Muertos celebration on Olvera

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Street, the "MathAlive!" exhibit at the California Science Center, the Walt Disney
Concert Hall, the Natural History Museum, and more. Tickets are just \$10 round-trip on
weekends and are good for connections to Metro Rail, so riders can extend their travels.

91/PVL weekday schedule changes also take effect October 14. Key changes include:

- Train 701 will leave 13 minutes earlier from Riverside County stations to reach
 L.A. Union Station by 6:45 a.m., 20 minutes ahead of its current 7:05 a.m. arrival.
 This change is in response to riders who asked for an earlier train to reach their jobs in L.A. by 7 a.m.
- Morning service on train 707 (currently train 731) will continue to L.A from its current ending point in Riverside-Downtown. The train will leave 21 minutes earlier from stations in the Perris Valley and arrive at Riverside-Downtown at 7:14 a.m. for Riverside employees who start work at 7:30 a.m. The train will continue west and provide new service for Riverside and Corona riders to L.A. Union Station, arriving at 8:45 a.m. This will provide a fourth morning train for commuters to L.A.
- A new afternoon train will run from Los Angeles to the Perris Valley. Train 708 will leave L.A. Union Station at 5 p.m. and arrive at the Perris-South Station at 7:15 p.m. This fifth afternoon train will offer another option for this peak travel time and relieve overcrowding on the 4:20 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. trains.
- Late morning and midday trains 732, 733, 734, 735, and 736, which now travel only between the Perris Valley and the Riverside-Downtown Station, will be eliminated to allow for the above service changes. Ridership has been low on these trains.

Check out the new 91/Perris Valley Line schedule.

In addition, on the Riverside Line, due to customer feedback, trains will leave earlier to reach L.A. by 6 a.m. and 7 a.m. Read more about the Riverside Line schedule updates.