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### **November 11-12 Weekend Closure of Metrolink 91/Perris Valley Line to Affect Perris, Moreno Valley, and Riverside**

**RIVERSIDE, Calif.** – The Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) and the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (Metrolink) have scheduled a two-day weekend shutdown of the 91/Perris Valley Line in the cities of Perris, Moreno Valley, and part of Riverside on November 11-12, 2023. The 91/Perris Valley Line interruption will affect the Perris-South, Perris-Downtown, Moreno Valley/March Field, and Riverside-Hunter Park Metrolink stations, leaving passenger rail services unavailable. Alternate transportation will be provided by Metrolink to accommodate passengers travelling to destinations serviced by the 91/Perris Valley Line.

Metrolink service from the Riverside-Downtown, Riverside-La Sierra, Corona-North Main, and Corona-West stations will maintain their standard Saturday and Sunday operating schedules. Riverside Transit Agency and other transit services operating out of the affected stations will also run regular Saturday and Sunday schedules.

The two-day shutdown for the Moreno Valley/March Field Station Improvements Project will provide safe conditions for crews to continue infrastructure development by installing train switches, signal improvements, and track upgrades for future service enhancement. RCTC and Metrolink value our passenger rail riders and appreciate their patience during the weekend closure.

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Construction began on the Moreno Valley/March Field Station Improvement Project in October 2022 and is anticipated to be completed in spring 2024. The project is adding a second passenger train platform, extending the existing platform to accommodate the length of standard Metrolink six-car trains, and upgrading 2 ½ miles of tracks for the future nine-mile double track corridor to the Perris – South Station.

The Moreno Valley/March Field Improvement Stations Project is part of RCTC's goal of increasing commuter rail service to relieve traffic congestion and improve air quality in the region. The project is also part of Metrolink's Southern California Optimized Rail Expansion (SCORE) program, which aims to upgrade the Metrolink system in time for the 2028 Olympics and Paralympics Games.

Project funding is provided by a combination of local and federal transportation sources, including a \$32 million Federal Transit Administration grant and Riverside County voter-approved Measure A.

For more information, visit the project webpage at [rctc.org/moval](https://rctc.org/moval).

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