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Long Beach Transit Service Changes for Long Beach Marathon Weekend

LONG BEACH, CALIF., (October 5, 2017) – On Saturday, October 7 and Sunday, October 8, several Long Beach Transit (LBT) routes will be on detour due to activities associated with the 2017 JetBlue Long Beach Marathon and Half Marathon.

Marathon and half marathon participants will receive complimentary transit on all LBT buses when they present their runner's bib with racing number as they board.

LBT detours and other route information is as follows:

Saturday, October 7

Passport: There will be no service to Pike Outlets, Rainbow Harbor, Aquarium of the Pacific, Shoreline Village, Hotel Maya, Residence Inn and Catalina Landing until after 10 a.m. There will be service to The Queen Mary via Magnolia Avenue and away from The Queen Mary via Pico Avenue.

Sunday, October 8

Passport: There will be no service to the Pike Outlets, Rainbow Harbor, Aquarium of the Pacific, Shoreline Village, Hotel Maya, Residence Inn and Catalina Landing until street closures are reopened, as late as 5 p.m. There will be service to The Queen Mary via Magnolia Avenue and from The Queen Mary via Pico Avenue. Marathon and half marathon participants traveling back to the Hotel Maya and Residence Inn after the race can walk north from the finish line to Ocean Boulevard, turn west and walk to the LBT Passport bus stop just west of Long Beach Boulevard and the Performing Arts Center. Participants who show their race bibs are offered a complimentary ride. Runners should exit at The Queen Mary and walk west along the waterfront to their hotels.

LBT Water Taxis (AquaLink and Aqua Bus): Marathon and half marathon participants can also choose to take an LBT water taxi to The Queen Mary and Hotel Maya. Participants should walk southwest from the finish line and turn south onto Pine Avenue until they reach the docks. Catalina Express will operate a free water taxi shuttle between The Queen Mary and Dock 4 (near the Aquarium) until 9:30 a.m. Later, participants can take the LBT AquaLink water taxi service from Dock 4 starting at 11:00 a.m. for \$5 back to The Queen Mary or take the LBT

AquaBus service from Dock 4 at 11:20 a.m., Dock 7 at 11:30 a.m. or Dock 9 at 11:35 a.m. to The Queen Mary or Hotel Maya for \$1.

Routes 21, 22, 45, 46, 71, 72, 91, 94, 111, 112, 121, 131, 151, 171, 173: Due to marathon road closures, these routes will have segmented detours. Segments that LBT will not serve during the marathon include: Ocean Boulevard between Atlantic Avenue and Redondo Avenue; 2nd Street between Redondo Avenue and Pacific Coast Highway (Belmont Shore); Catalina Landing; Redondo Avenue between Ocean Boulevard and Stearns Street; Ximeno Avenue between Broadway Boulevard and Anaheim Street; and the interior bus stops of California State University, Long Beach (CSULB), CSULB will still be served via outlying bus stops on 7th Street, however, stops on Bellflower Boulevard, between Stearns Street and 7th Street, and Atherton Street between Bellflower Boulevard and Palo Verde Avenue will be closed.

For detailed 24/7 marathon detour routing, please visit the Detours section on www.lbtransit.com or call the LBT Customer Service line at (562) 591-2301, Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. – 6 p.m., and Saturday from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. On Saturday, marathon detour information is available at LBT's Transit and Visitor Information Center (TVIC) on 1st Street at Pine Avenue in downtown Long Beach. The TVIC will be open on Sunday from 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

About Long Beach Transit

Long Beach Transit serves 26 million annual boarding customers in Long Beach, Lakewood and Signal Hill—as well as portions of Artesia, Bellflower, Carson, Cerritos, Compton, Hawaiian Gardens, Los Alamitos, Norwalk, Paramount and Seal Beach. Water taxi services via AquaLink and AquaBus are available spring through fall. For more information visit, www.lbtransit.com.

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