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Maintaining Innovative Standards



In keeping with its innovative reputation, the 91 Express Lanes will soon begin upgrading its Electronic Toll and Traffic Management (ETTM) equipment to continue providing efficient and reliable service to our customers.

As a customer, you're familiar with the ETTM system, the electronic toll collection system that lets you drive on the 91 Express Lanes without having to stop at tollbooths. The ETTM system includes an electronic transponder mounted on the inside of your vehicle's windshield

and toll recording equipment in the 91 Express Lanes' overhead gantries. The upgrade will focus on the toll recording equipment and the computers that power it.

Planning for the upgrade is in progress and the project is anticipated to be completed by late November.

E-Mail Notification for Potential Closures

Installation of the new gantry equipment will require some nighttime closures. Customers will be notified via e-mail in advance of these planned closures. Make sure your account includes your current e-mail address so you can be notified of any planned closures. Check your e-mail address at www.91expresslanes.com or call the Customer Service Center at (951) 278-9191 or (800) 600-9191.

Leading the Way

Since it began, the 91 Express Lanes has been a leader in technological innovation. With the planned upgrades to its ETTM equipment, the 91 Express Lanes continues its commitment to ensure smooth sailing for your commutes.

Go For The Discounts



Spring Break is coming. If you're looking for something to do while the kids are out of school and if you want to save money too, your 91 Express Lanes transponder can help.

As a 91 Express Lanes customer, you can get discounts at many Southern California attractions and museums. All you have to do is show your transponder when purchasing tickets.

What can you save? Check out the discounts for these suggestions:

Aquarium of the Pacific—\$3.00 off adult admission and \$1.50 off child admission.

Boomers Irvine and Fountain Valley—Buy one attraction—get one free.

Discovery Science Center—\$2.00 off admission.

Fullerton Museum—Buy one—get one free admission.

Knott's Berry Farm—\$10 off adult admission.

Knott's Soak City—\$8 off adult admission.

Mission San Juan Capistrano—\$4.00 off adult and child admission (3-11). Discount valid for up to 6 people.

Santa Ana Zoo—Buy one adult admission and get one child admission free.

Vans Skatepark, The Block at Orange—Buy one skate session—get one free.

You can get full details and download coupons for these discounts at www.octa.net/91destination-discounts.aspx. Take the kids and have fun during Spring Break. And remember to take your 91 Express Lanes transponder. It's your ticket to discounts!



Ways To Save On Tolls

Looking for a way to cut your commuting costs? Try carpooling or vanpooling on the 91 Express Lanes instead of driving alone. It's a great way to save money, reduce congestion and emissions, and meet new people—maybe someone from your neighborhood or from a different department at work.

Take Advantage of "Three Ride Free"

With the innovative "Three Ride Free" policy, groups of three or more commuters per vehicle can travel the 91 Express Lanes for free during most hours, except eastbound Monday through Friday, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. During these hours, carpools or vanpools of three or more travel for half price. Carpooling is great way to save commuting costs and not have



to be behind the wheel every trip. You can find out more about carpooling and get help finding carpool partners at www.octa.net/cs-carpool.aspx.



Join A Vanpool

Vanpooling is another way to cut your commuting costs. Vanpooling is the best

alternative for people who are traveling 15 miles or more each way. A vanpool is formed when a group of 5 to 15 people with similar commutes share the ride to work in a van. Usually, the vanpool participants live in the same area, work for the same employer and have the same work hours. One or more of the participants drive the van and the cost is shared by the group. The monthly cost varies depending on the type of van, the number of riders and the distance you travel but vanpool commuters spend less than they would spend on just the gas for their car commute. If you would like more information on vanpooling, please visit www.octa.net/cs-vanpool.aspx or send an email to vanpool@octa.net.

Enjoy a Faster Commute and Savings, Too

Add to your enjoyment on the 91 Express Lanes. Give carpooling and vanpooling some consideration. You'll save time and money, too!

Get Connected

If you travel anywhere in Orange County, OCTA Connections is for you. It's OCTA's e-newsletter and it's the easy way to stay up to date on what's happening with Orange County transportation. You can choose the news you want to receive—91 Express Lanes, Metrolink rail service, freeway improvement projects, local street improvements—and stay current on Orange County transportation information via e-mail. Sign up for OCTA Connections today at www.octa.net/Connections.

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Save with Metrolink's Friends & Family 4-Pack
\$29 WEEKEND

Public Hearing Notice
State transit funding cuts and sales tax revenue declines have resulted in reduced budget for bus operations. Every bus route in the system is under evaluation and may be impacted by the following types of changes: reduction in frequency of service, deletion of selected trips, changes to the hours of operation, shortening entire routes, eliminating routes with the lowest ridership, and route restructuring. Approved changes will become effective March 14, 2010 or later. The OCTA Board of Directors will hold a public hearing at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, October 26, 2009, at OCTA Headquarters, 1st Floor, Room 154, 600 South Main Street, Orange, CA. The public hearing shall be for the purpose of considering service reductions. www.octa.net/service0310.aspx

Start Saving By Vanpooling
Are you sick and tired of traffic? Why not trade your car for a vanpool? This will save you time, money and stress. Qualified vanpools traveling to workites in Orange County receive a \$400 monthly subsidy. Find out how to start a vanpool or join an existing vanpool at www.octa.net/sharetheride.aspx

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Get Connected. Stay informed. Win prizes.
How do you prefer your transportation information: text, or e-mail? With the new Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Connections you can get current transportation updates in the format most convenient for you. Best of all—you can choose the information you want to receive. Whether you want to know about bus, Metrolink, the 91 Express Lanes, or everything in between, creating your own personalized menu of transportation information is only a click away. Also, by signing up you are automatically eligible to win a goodie! Visit www.octa.net/Connections and sign up today!

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New Toll Adjustment Effective April 1, 2010

To help manage congestion and optimize the number of vehicles traveling on the 91 Express Lanes, a toll adjustment is being made. Starting April 1, 2010, the toll rate will take effect for the hour marked in blue on the toll schedules at right.

The toll adjustment is the result of OCTA's congestion management pricing at work. It's our way of delivering a fast, safe and reliable commute to you when you travel on the 91 Express Lanes.

| | | Toll Schedule Effective April 1, 2010 | | | | | | |
|-------------|----------|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--|--------|--------|
| | | Express Lanes | | | | Eastbound SR-55 to Riverside Co. Line to SR-55 | | |
| | | Sun | M | Tu | W | Th | F | Sat |
| eastbound | Midnight | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 |
| | 1:00 am | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 |
| | 2:00 am | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 |
| | 3:00 am | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 |
| | 4:00 am | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 |
| | 5:00 am | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 |
| | 6:00 am | \$1.30 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$1.30 |
| | 7:00 am | \$1.30 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$3.60 |
| | 8:00 am | \$1.65 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 |
| | 9:00 am | \$1.65 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 |
| | 10:00 am | \$2.50 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.50 |
| | 11:00 am | \$2.50 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.50 |
| Noon | | \$3.00 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$3.10 | \$3.00 |
| 1:00 pm | \$3.00 | \$2.85 | \$2.85 | \$2.85 | \$3.10 | \$4.85 | \$3.00 | |
| 2:00 pm | \$3.00 | \$4.05 | \$4.05 | \$4.05 | \$4.15 | \$3.60 | \$3.00 | |
| 3:00 pm | \$2.50 | \$4.35 | \$3.70 | \$4.95 | \$5.90 | \$10.25 | \$3.00 | |
| 4:00 pm | \$2.50 | \$5.55 | \$7.75 | \$8.25 | \$9.90 | \$9.30 | \$3.00 | |
| 5:00 pm | \$2.50 | \$5.35 | \$7.25 | \$7.75 | \$9.05 | \$7.25 | \$3.00 | |
| 6:00 pm | \$2.50 | \$4.35 | \$4.10 | \$3.60 | \$4.90 | \$5.25 | \$2.50 | |
| 7:00 pm | \$2.50 | \$3.10 | \$3.10 | \$3.10 | \$4.45 | \$4.90 | \$2.05 | |
| 8:00 pm | \$2.50 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.85 | \$4.45 | \$2.05 | |
| 9:00 pm | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.85 | \$2.05 | |
| 10:00 pm | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$2.05 | \$1.30 | |
| 11:00 pm | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | |

| | | Toll Schedule Effective April 1, 2010 | | | | | | |
|-------------|----------|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| | | Express Lanes | | | | Westbound Riverside Co. Line to SR-55 | | |
| | | Sun | M | Tu | W | Th | F | Sat |
| westbound | Midnight | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 |
| | 1:00 am | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 |
| | 2:00 am | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 |
| | 3:00 am | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 |
| | 4:00 am | \$1.30 | \$2.40 | \$2.40 | \$2.40 | \$2.40 | \$2.40 | \$1.30 |
| | 5:00 am | \$1.30 | \$3.95 | \$3.95 | \$3.95 | \$3.95 | \$3.80 | \$1.30 |
| | 6:00 am | \$1.30 | \$4.05 | \$4.05 | \$4.05 | \$4.05 | \$3.95 | \$1.30 |
| | 7:00 am | \$1.30 | \$4.50 | \$4.50 | \$4.50 | \$4.50 | \$4.35 | \$1.75 |
| | 8:00 am | \$1.75 | \$4.05 | \$4.05 | \$4.05 | \$4.05 | \$3.95 | \$2.05 |
| | 9:00 am | \$1.75 | \$3.25 | \$3.25 | \$3.25 | \$3.25 | \$3.25 | \$2.50 |
| | 10:00 am | \$2.50 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.50 |
| | 11:00 am | \$2.50 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.90 |
| Noon | | \$2.50 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.90 |
| 1:00 pm | \$2.90 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.90 | |
| 2:00 pm | \$2.90 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.90 | |
| 3:00 pm | \$2.90 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.50 | \$2.90 | |
| 4:00 pm | \$3.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.50 | \$3.05 | |
| 5:00 pm | \$3.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.50 | \$3.05 | |
| 6:00 pm | \$3.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | \$3.00 | \$2.50 | |
| 7:00 pm | \$2.50 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$2.05 | \$2.05 | |
| 8:00 pm | \$2.50 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | |
| 9:00 pm | \$2.50 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | |
| 10:00 pm | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | |
| 11:00 pm | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 | |