



INYO COUNTY LOCAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Social Services Transit Advisory Council AGENDA

ZOOM MEETING

Topic: Social Services Transit Advisory Committee meeting
Time: Feb 21, 2023, 09:00 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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February 21, 2023

09:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

2. REVIEW OF PURPOSE

Social Services Advisory Council Membership:

- >60 years transit users
- Disabled transit users
- Service provider for seniors
- Service provider for the disabled
- Social service provider for persons of limited means
- Operator

3. SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 1. March 15, 2023, 9:00 am, QCOB, Conf. Room 207 & Zoom**
- 2. April 19, 2023, 9:00 am, Independence Board Chambers & Zoom**

4. REVIEW OF PRIOR YEAR ALLOCATION

- a. Administrative**
- b. Bike & Ped Program**
- c. ESTA**

5. REVIEW SERVICES PROVIDED

6. OPEN DISCUSSION OF IDEAS & UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS

Prior Year List of Transit Needs

TRANSIT REQUEST	Unmet Need	Reasonable to Meet	Comments
Increase Frequency of Lone Pine / Bishop Connection	No	NA	the connection exists currently
Extend Bishop Dial-A-Ride Hours	Yes	No	insufficient funding
Weekend US395 Service	Yes	No	insufficient funding
Trailhead Service to Whitney, Horseshoe, Onion, Glacier	Yes	No	insufficient funding
Weekend Mammoth Express Service	Yes	No	insufficient funding
Fixed Route Service in Bishop	No	NA	service exists currently
Better Technology / Phone System for Dial-A-Ride	No	NA	service exists currently
Tecopa to Pahrump Service	Yes	No	no service provider in the area
Owens River / Poleta Rd. Service	Yes	No	service operationally difficult
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ADJOURNMENT

Public Transportation

- [Eastern Sierra Transit Authority](#) - (800) 922-1930 - Bus & Shuttle Service
- [Eastern Sierra Area Agency on Aging](#) (ESAAA) - (760) 873-5240 - Senior Transit Services
- [Inyo-Mono Association for the Handicapped](#) (IMAH) - (760) 873-8668 - Transit Services for the Handicapped.
- [Enterprise Rent-A-Car](#) - (760) 873-3704, (800) 325-8007 - Auto Rentals.
- [Kern Regional Center](#) - (760) 873-7411 - Serves individuals with developmental disabilities.
- [Northern Inyo Hospital Foundation / CARE shuttle](#) - (760) 873-2055 – Provides non-emergency medical transportation service for patients.
- [Bishop Airport](#) - (760) 872-2971 - Commercial air service



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S T A F F R E P O R T

MEETING: June 15, 2022

PREPARED BY: Justine Kokx, Transportation Planner

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Transportation Development Act (TDA)
Apportionment and Allocations

Recommendation

Adopt Resolution No. 2022-04 apportioning and allocating Local Transportation Funds (LTF) for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Background

This report gives an overview of the combined TDA allocation resolution to be considered by your Commission at this meeting for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. TDA funds are derived from a ¼% of the California Sales Tax in Inyo County. The table on the next page summarizes the amount of TDA funds received by the Inyo County LTC and how those funds have been allocated in the last ten budget cycles. Section 4A of the Inyo County LTC Organization and Procedures Manual sets forth the procedures for allocation of TDA funds in the upcoming fiscal year.

The ICLTC shall make allocations from the TDA Fund annually in accordance with the following priorities:

1. To the ICLTC, such sums as are necessary to meet its expenses in the performance of the administrative duties assigned under the Act.
2. Thereafter, up to two percent (2%) of the remaining available funds county-wide may be set aside to be allocated for pedestrian and bicycle facilities anywhere in the County.
3. Thereafter, up to five percent (5%) of the remaining funds may be set aside to be allocated under Article 4.5 of the Act for “community transit services, including such services for those, such as the disabled, who cannot use conventional transit services.” Claims may be filed under Article 4.5 of the Transportation Development Act.
4. Thereafter, to operators of public transportation systems, such monies as are approved by the ICLTC for claims presented pursuant to Article 4 Section 99260 of the P.U.C. Code;

and to applicants contracting for public transportation services in accordance with Article 8 Section 99400(c).

5. Thereafter, to the County of Inyo and the City of Bishop such monies (up to and including the apportionment allowed based on the latest department of Finance figures) approved by the ICLTC for claims presented pursuant to Article 8, Section 99400(a) involving projects for local streets and roads including facilities provide for exclusive use by pedestrians and bicyclists.

Estimate

In accordance with the above, the LTC is responsible for the apportionment and allocation of TDA funds. LTC staff notified Eastern Sierra Transit Authority (ESTA) and Eastern Sierra Area Agency for Aging (ESAAA) of estimated TDA funds available for allocation in the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year. The estimate is a rolling ten-year average, as supplied by the Inyo County Auditor, of the amount of TDA funds received in the past. The resulting FY 2022-2023 estimate is \$892,140, 3% higher than last year’s. Staff is recommending that you allocate the full estimated amount.

History

Fiscal Year	Over / Under	Amount Received from State	ESTA Operating Expense ¹	ESAAA Operating Expenses	Bicycle and Pedestrian	Admin. & Audits	Total Allocations
09-10	-65,502	\$745,137	\$718,567	\$40,532	\$16,328	\$35,212	\$810,639
10-11	+10,094	\$808,953	\$716,689	\$37,762	\$15,413	\$28,212	\$798,859
11-12	+76,257	\$832,507	\$677,803	\$35,674	\$14,561	\$28,212	\$756,250
12-13	+70,846	\$868,134	\$705,770	\$37,145	\$15,161	\$39,212	\$797,288
13-14	-85,170	\$763,558	\$753,660	\$39,666	\$16,190	\$39,212	\$848,728
14-15	-4,446	\$850,948	\$770,108	\$40,531	\$16,543	\$28,212	\$855,394
15-16	+60,722	\$881,963	\$720,622	\$37,927	\$15,480	\$47,212	\$821,241
16-17	-2,658	\$846,572	\$748, 582	\$39,399	\$16,060	\$46,189	\$849,230
17-18	+103,290	\$943,519	\$743,855	\$39,150	\$15,979	\$41,245	\$840,229
18-19	+84,962	\$988,844	\$782,785	\$41,199	\$16,816	\$63,078	\$903,882
19-20	+111,738	\$958,545	\$746,836	\$39,307	\$16,043	\$44,621	\$846,807
20-21	+291,013	\$986,804	\$576,866	\$30,361	\$12,392	\$76,171	\$695,791
21-22		\$869,739 (est.)	\$722,425	\$38,022	\$15,519	\$93,773	\$869,739
21-22	30%	Reserve Dist.	\$319,511	\$16,816	\$6,864	\$38,132	\$381,323
22-23		\$892,140 (est.)	\$703,955	\$37,050	\$15,123	\$136,012	\$892,140

Apportionment

Inyo County Findings of Apportionment					
Local Transportation Funds for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 ¹					
Jurisdiction	Pop. ²	% of Total County Population	% of Population within ESTA & ESAAA District	ESAAA Operating Expenses	Remaining Amount for ESTA
Bishop	3,804	20%	100%	\$7,412	\$140,821
Inyo Co.	15,212	79.9%	100%	\$29,638	\$563,134
Total	19,016	100%		\$37,050	\$703,955

¹ Estimate based on 10-year rolling average of FY 2020-2021.

² U.S. Census 2020

The Inyo County LTC is required to apportion TDA funds to the County and City in accordance with the TDA Guidelines. For a county without a transit district, apportionments are made for the incorporated area of each city and for the county's unincorporated area. Eastern Sierra Area Agency for the Aging (ESAAA) and ESTA both provide transit services to 100% of the City and of the County so the apportionment is more of a formal exercise than a practical one. Therefore, the amount of funds ESAAA and ESTA receive will not change. A fixed percentage of the funds to the transit agencies will come from both the City and the County. Resolution No. 2022-04 will memorialize the apportionment shown below.

Allocation

The following allocations are set forth as part of Resolutions No. 2022-04.

Administrative Allocation - The cost amount programmed for TDA Administration is \$89,214.

Audits – There is one performance audit included in FY22-23 estimated at \$40,000. The fiscal audit is estimated at \$6,798.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Allocation - Two percent of the remaining amount is \$15,123. These funds will be set aside for bicycle and pedestrian facilities. To use these funds, the County and/or City will then need to gain approval from the LTC on a project-specific basis.

Community Transit Services Allocation - ESAAA, the senior program for Inyo County, provides community transit services, and is eligible to receive up to 5% of the TDA funds. FY 2012-2013 was the first year of operation for ESAAA. ESAAA continued the same transit services as offered by IMAAA. The ESAAA claim is made under Article 4.5 of the TDA. The proposed allocation of \$37,050 is five percent of the remaining funds.

ESTA Public Transit Service Allocation - ESTA is an eligible public transit provider to receive funding under Article 4, Section 99260(a) of the TDA. The remaining TDA funds are eligible to be allocated for public transit services. The entire amount of \$703,955 is proposed for allocation to ESTA.

Evaluation of Allocation Requests

ESTA

- A. ESTA is eligible to receive Article 4 TDA claim funds in Inyo County as a public transit operator. This was confirmed in the completion of the Triennial Performance Audit of ESTA.
- B. The ESTA claim is in compliance with the Inyo County LTC Regional Transportation Plan. The RTP generally describes the transit services available in Inyo County. The RTP also includes goals and policies generally in support of public transit.
- C. ESTA completes an annual fiscal audit of Transportation Development Act funds and provides this information to the Inyo County LTC.
- D. ESTA provides 100% of the public transit services in both the City of Bishop and Inyo County.
- E. The CHP has completed a terminal inspection of the ESTA headquarters within the last 13 months, as required.
- F. ESTA has specified that the funds are being used for purposes set forth in Article 4, Section 99262 of the Transportation Development Act (TDA). This portion of the

TDA sets out the general uses for funds claimed under the TDA. The ESTA claim form complies with this general requirement.

The ESTA allocation request includes a preliminary budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

Potential Productivity Improvements

Under PUC Section 99244, the ICLTC is required to annually identify, analyze, and recommend potential productivity improvements which could lower the operating costs of those operators who operate at least 50 percent of their vehicle service miles within the area under its jurisdiction. At a minimum, the recommendations for improvements and productivity are to include, but not be limited to, those recommendations related to productivity made in the triennial performance audit of the transit operator.

This is now included in the TDA Claim form as a Prior Performance Audit Worksheet. In it, ESTA staff indicates they are either in the process of responding to performance audit findings or have completed the implementation measure. Staff concurs that ESTA has responded to the audit findings.

ESAAA FY 2022-2023 Request for Funds

ESAAA uses TDA funding to provide rides to individuals who are physically or logistically unable to use regular public transportation to obtain essential services such as medical appointments, grocery shopping, pharmacy and day care services. These individuals need transportation and assistance from the driver to find the out-of-town medical facility, purchase and carry groceries into the house, enter and exit the vehicle, etc. Based on individual needs, services are provided by Inyo County staff using program vehicles to residents through Inyo County. They provide short and long-distance medical trips and regularly scheduled errand/shopping trips. ESAAA Site Coordinators assess individuals, plan trips and maintain records.

Estimated 2022-2023 Operations Budget (numbers may change, depending on what is adopted by the Inyo County Board of Supervisors, copy of finalized budget will be submitted to LTC)

Administrative Support	2,015
Site Supervisors	12,502
Drivers	33,951
Vehicle/Maintenance	6,709
Operations	43,499
Total Direct Costs	98,676
Request to Inyo LTC	37,050
Fares & Match	13,817
IIIB Supportive Services	47,809
	98,676

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to, those recommendations related to productivity made in the triennial performance audit of the transit operator.

The ESAAA claim form includes a completed “Prior Performance Audit Worksheet.” The Triennial Performance Audit was the first completed for ESAAA. ESAAA has either 1) working on implementing the requirement, 2) willing to produce audit results that include the TDA component, 3) is in the review process of a recommendation, or 4) ESAAA addresses prior performance audit findings in their claim form. ESAAA is encouraged to continue developing their service and to find ways to meet the performance audit findings.

Attachments:

- Resolution No. 2022-04 apportioning and allocating TDA revenues to ESTA & ESAAA
- ESTA Claim Forms
- ESAAA Claim Forms



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STAFF REPORT

MEETING: August 17, 2022

PREPARED BY: Justine Kokx, Transportation Planner

SUBJECT: Revised Fiscal Year 2021-2021 and 2022-2023 Transportation Development Act, Local Transportation Fund Apportionment and Allocations

Recommendation

Rescind Resolution No. 2022-04 and approve Resolution No. 2022-08 to remove ESAAA’s FY 2022-2023 allocation of \$37,050 and accept the return of ESAAA’s FY2021-2022 LTF allocation of \$38,022, both amounts for redistribution to ESTA.

Background

On June 15, 2022, your Commission approved Resolution No. 2022-04, allocating LTF funding to all claimants; to the ICLTC for audits and administration, to bicycle and pedestrian “set-aside”, to ESAAA for community transit purposes, and to ESTA as the transit operator. The latest performance audit report found that ESAAA was not compliant with the fiscal audit requirement. Due to the short notice of the finding and the need to allocate LTF funds prior to June 30th, your Commission approved allocating FY 22-23 LTF funds to ESAAA with the condition that ESAAA conduct their expanded fiscal audit of FY 21-22 as per the two prior performance audit recommendations. Your Commission resolved that future allocations shall be withheld until they come into compliance.

Subsequent to this June 15th meeting, discussions ensued between staff, the fiscal audit contractor, and the County auditor as to how to accomplish this expanded type of audit for ESAAA. It was determined that the expanded audit would require a restructuring of the ESAAA budgetary “infrastructure”, which would incur additional indirect costs, would create additional burden on the ESAAA fiscal and program staff in terms of tracking and allocating other revenues, and finally, that the amount of funding is too small to justify the additional complexity and the cost of expanded audits. ESAAA has therefore declined the LTF funding for fiscal year 2022-2023 of \$37,050. They intend to return the FY 2021-2022 fiscal year funding in the amount of \$38,022 as well.

Estimate

The estimate is a rolling ten-year average of the amount of TDA funds received in the past, as supplied by the Inyo County Auditor. The resulting FY 2022-2023 estimate is \$892,140. Section 4A of the Inyo County LTC Organization and Procedures Manual sets forth the procedures for allocation of TDA funds in the upcoming fiscal year. As such, the ICLTC shall revise its allocations from the Transportation Development Act, LTF Fund as follows:

Administrative Allocation - The cost amount programmed for TDA Administration is \$89,214.

Audits – There is one performance audit included in FY22-23 estimated at \$40,000. The fiscal audit is estimated at \$6,798.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Allocation - Two percent of the remaining amount is \$15,123. These funds will be set aside for bicycle and pedestrian facilities. To use these funds, the County and/or City will then need to gain approval from the LTC on a project-specific basis.

ESTA Public Transit Service Allocation - ESTA is an eligible public transit provider to receive funding under Article 4, Section 99260(a) of the TDA. The remaining TDA funds are eligible to be allocated for public transit services. The entire remaining amount of \$741,005 is proposed for allocation to ESTA. An additional \$38,022 of FY 2021-2022 funds to be returned by ESAAA is proposed to be re-allocated to ESTA.

Attachments:

- Original June 15, 2022, Staff Report and Resolution No. 2022-04 apportioning and allocating TDA revenues to ESTA & ESAAA
- Resolution No. 2022-08
- Email dated 08/08/2022 confirming ESAAA declines LTF funding
- Resolution No. 2021-07



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TO: Inyo County Local Transportation Commission
FROM: Justine Kokx, Transportation Planner
DATE: May 18, 2022
SUBJECT: Unmet Transit Needs Findings

Recommended Action Your Commission is being asked to a) adopt Unmet Transit Needs Findings as presented by staff and b) approve Resolution No. 2022-01 regarding unmet transit needs.

2022/2023 Unmet Transit Needs Hearing The Inyo County Local Transportation Commission should not allocate TDA funds to local streets and roads in the 2022/2023 year. All TDA funds should be allocated to public transit and TDA eligible set-asides (for TDA administration, 2% to bicycle and pedestrian facilities, and 5% for community transit services).

The SSTAC meeting and Unmet Transit Needs hearings were held in accordance with the Transportation Development Act and the Inyo County LTC Organization and Procedures Manual. The Unmet Transit Needs process is a valuable exercise in that it lets the Commission, Eastern Sierra Transit, and the public explore the strengths and weaknesses of the transit system. The dialogue at the SSTAC meeting and unmet transit needs hearing provides valuable information to transit entities of changing needs in the area. Eastern Sierra Transit has been effective at modifying their services to meet area transit needs and identifying new sources of funding to provide other services.

Unmet Transit Needs Findings Staff and ESTA has reviewed the information and discussion from the February 9, 2022, Social Services Transit Advisory Council meeting. There were no public comments at either Unmet Transit Needs Hearing (March 16, 2022 & April 20, 2022). Staff has compiled a list of the suggestions and requests. They are qualified as to whether they are an unmet need and whether they are possible to accommodate, i.e., “Reasonable to Meet”.

First, the following are the definitions of “Unmet Transit Need” and “Reasonable to Meet.” The definitions were adopted by the ICLTC in 1995 and amended in 2007 and are as follows:

An Unmet Transit Need exists if an individual or individuals of any age or physical condition are unable to transport themselves from one location to another. An Unmet Transit Need is, at a minimum, those public transportation or specialized transportation services that are identified in the Regional Transportation Plan and that have not been implemented or funded.

A documented Unmet Transit Need is reasonable to meet if:

A service can be provided which meets a minimum farebox ratio of 10% of operating costs; and

- a) It is transit service for essential intra-county purposes which are defined as medical or dental services, shopping, employment, personal business, or social service appointments; or,
- b) It is a transit service for essential inter-county purposes which are defined as medical or dental services or social service appointments not available in this county or the out-of-county destination is the closest location where the services are available to the origin of the trip; and,

The origin and/or destination of the trip is within two miles of the established area of operation or cohesive community.

Inyo County LTC Unmet Needs SSTAC Committee and Hearings
March and April 2022

TRANSIT REQUEST	Unmet Need	Reasonable to Meet	Comments
Increase Frequency of Lone Pine / Bishop Connection	No	NA	the connection exists currently
Extend Bishop Dial-A-Ride Hours	Yes	No	insufficient funding
Weekend US395 Service	Yes	No	insufficient funding
Trailhead Service to Whitney, Horseshoe, Onion, Glacier	Yes	No	insufficient funding
Weekend Mammoth Express Service	Yes	No	insufficient funding
Fixed Route Service in Bishop	No	NA	service exists currently
Better Technology / Phone System for Dial-A-Ride	No	NA	service exists currently
Tecopa to Pahrump Service	Yes	No	no service provider in the area
Owens River / Poleta Rd. Service	Yes	No	service operationally difficult

Findings:

The following findings are made in the attached resolution based on the analysis above:

1. A meeting of the SSTAC was held on February 9, 2022.
2. Duly noticed Unmet Transit Needs Hearings were held on March 16, 2022 & April 20, 2022, on-line.
3. There are no new transit needs identified that satisfies the definition of an *unmet transit need* and *reasonable to meet*.

Attachments:

- Proposed ICLTC Resolution No. 2022-01
- SSTAC February 9, 2022, meeting notes

**INYO COUNTY LOCAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
RESOLUTION 2022-01**

A RESOLUTION REGARDING UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS

WHEREAS, on February 09, 2022, the Social Services Transit Advisory Committee held a duly noticed meeting to receive testimony identifying or commenting on unmet transit needs that may exist in the County; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2023, and April 20, 2022, the Inyo County Local Transportation Commission (LTC) held duly noticed public hearings to receive testimony identifying or commenting on unmet transit needs that may exist in the County; and

WHEREAS, the LTC notified persons and organizations that it knows to have an interest in the subject of the hearings; and

WHEREAS, the LTC has also considered the following factors in its transportation planning process:

1. Identified the size and location of groups with potential transit dependence.
2. Evaluated the adequacy of existing transportation services.
3. Examined potential alternate transportation services and service improvements that would meet potential travel demands; and

WHEREAS, the LTC adopted its definition of "Unmet Transit Needs and "Reasonable to Meet" in 1995 and amended in 2007, which are:

"An Unmet transit need exists if an individual or individuals of any age or physical condition are unable to transport themselves from one location to another. Documentation regarding the unmet need and the person's residential address must be provided in a letter addressed to the Executive Director of the Inyo County Local Transportation Commission or by testimony at a public hearing held for the purpose of determining unmet transit needs. An unmet transit need is, at a minimum, those public transportation or specialized transportation services that are identified in the Regional Transportation Plan that have not been implemented or funded."

A documented unmet transit need is "reasonable to meet" if a service can be provided which meets a minimum farebox ratio of 10% of operating costs, and:

- a) It is a transit service for essential intra-county purposes, which are defined as medical or dental services, shopping, employment, personal business, or social service appointments, or
- b) It is a transit service for essential inter-county purposes, which are defined as medical or dental services, or social services appointments not available in this county or the out-of-county destination is the closest location where the services are available to the origin of the trip; and the origin and/or destination of the trip

is within two miles of the established area operation or a cohesive community;
and

WHEREAS, the LTC has considered all available information, including that presented at the public hearings, all of which is contained in the ICLTC findings staff report dated May 18, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the ICLTC finds that through the 2022 unmet transit needs process, no new transit, medical and social services needs raised meet the definition of being an *unmet transit need* and *reasonable to meet*.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ICLTC has determined that there will be no remaining Local Transportation Funds available to the City of Bishop and County of Inyo for local streets and roads.

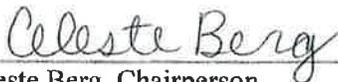
Passed and adopted this 18th day of May 2022, by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Abstains:

Absent:

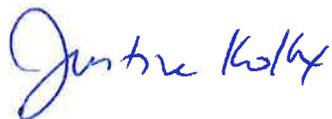


Celeste Berg, Chairperson
Inyo County Local Transportation Commission



Michael Errante, Executive Director
Inyo County Local Transportation Commission

Attest:



Staff, Inyo County Local Transportation Commission

TRANSIT CONNECTIONS

The Northbound 395 Route bus connects with Reno-Tahoe International Airport and the Reno/Sparks Greyhound Station (Centennial Plaza Transit Center). Washoe RTC and taxi services are available at both locations for transportation in the greater Reno area. Amtrak connections require utilizing Washoe RTC to travel to downtown Reno.

The Southbound 395 Route bus connects with Ridgecrest Transit at the Inyokern Transfer Hub for passengers wanting to go to Ridgecrest. The Southbound 395 Route continues on to the Lancaster Metrolink Station making connections to the Los Angeles metropolitan area and Bakersfield utilizing Kern Regional Transit.

Connecting Agencies

- **Greyhound** 800-229-9424
- **Amtrak** 800-USA-RAIL
- **Ridgecrest Transit**
760-499-5040
- **Metrolink** 800-371-5465
- **Kern Regional Transit**
800-323-2396

Further information can be obtained by contacting
Eastern Sierra Transit Authority
1-800-922-1930 or on the web at www.estransit.com



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395 ROUTE BUS SERVICE

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Effective January 1, 2022

GENERAL INFORMATION

“CALL ONLY” STOPS

The 395 Route bus does not stop in some communities unless a stop is requested in advance (see schedule). 395 Route buses will deviate up to 3/4 mile off-route for mobility-impaired passengers. Call 800-922-1930 at least 24 hours in advance, Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. to schedule an off-route pickup.

RIDER ETIQUETTE

All ESTA passengers are expected to exhibit appropriate social behavior while on the bus, and at the bus stop. Behavior that distracts the driver or annoys other passengers is not permitted. These behaviors include, but are not limited to: smoking, vaping, eating, drinking, spitting, littering, loud music, abusive language, vandalism, solicitation of any kind, or leaving seats while vehicle is in motion.

DENYING SERVICE TO A RIDER

Use of ESTA vehicles can be denied to any passenger who: demonstrates violent or unruly behavior, insists on transporting prohibited items, refuses to wear a seatbelt, or does not have the required fare.

USE OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE OR TRANSPORTATION OF AN OPEN CONTAINER OF ALCOHOL IS SUBJECT TO IMMEDIATE REMOVAL FROM THE BUS.

HOLIDAYS

The 395 Route will not operate on the following holidays; New Year's Day, President's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day.

GENERAL INFORMATION

FARES

Tickets may be purchased from the bus driver using **exact change**. Discount fares are available to the disabled, senior 60+, and youth 5-15.

**(4 AND UNDER ARE FREE WHEN
ACCOMPANIED BY A PAYING RIDER)**

Eastern Sierra Transit Authority accepts local checks (Inyo and Mono Counties Only).

Credit Cards are accepted in advance by calling 1-760-872-1901 ext 22.

Visa & Mastercard credit cards can be processed on 395 Route buses.

Kern Regional Transit tickets and passes are not valid on the 395 Route.

BICYCLES

ESTA buses are equipped with mounted bicycle racks. If these racks are full, and as passenger loads permit, a bicycle may be brought on board at the drivers discretion.

ANIMALS

Pets must be adequately secured in a pet carrier, or muzzled and leashed.

**TRAINED SERVICE ANIMALS ARE
EXEMPT FROM THIS REQUIREMENT.**

LUGGAGE

395 Route passengers are permitted two pieces of luggage and one carry-on item. Passengers are responsible for loading and unloading their own baggage, please keep weight and size in mind and pack accordingly. All carry-on items must fit on your lap, under the seat, or in the overhead compartment.

395 ROUTE NORTH
Service Between Lone Pine, CA and Reno, NV
Monday—Friday, No Weekend Service

NORTH-BOUND DEPARTURE TIMES

Lone Pine	6:10am
Independence	6:27am
Big Pine	6:53am
Bishop	7:25am
Tom's Place**	7:55am
Crowley Lake	8:05am
Mammoth	8:20am
June Lake**	8:50am
Lee Vining	9:00am
Bridgeport	9:36am
Walker**	10:12am
Gardnerville**	10:50am
Carson City	11:17am
Reno-Tahoe International Airport (Outside of Door D)	12:00pm
Reno/Sparks (Greyhound) 1421 Victorian Ave. - Bay O	12:10pm

SOUTH-BOUND DEPARTURE TIMES

Reno/Sparks (Greyhound) 1421 Victorian Ave - Bay O	1:30pm
Reno-Tahoe International Airport (Outside of Door D)	1:40pm
Carson City	2:15pm
Gardnerville**	2:45pm
Walker**	3:30pm
Bridgeport	4:05pm
Lee Vining	4:41pm
June Lake**	5:15pm
Mammoth	5:30pm
Crowley Lake	5:35pm
Tom's Place**	5:35pm
Bishop	6:20pm
Big Pine	6:45pm
Independence	7:25pm
Lone Pine	7:40pm

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ONE WAY FARE SCHEDULE

Reno	Carson	Gardnerville	Walker	Bridgeport	Lee Vining	June Lake	Mammoth	Bishop	Big Pine	Independence	Lone Pine
Reno	17.00/14.00	19.00/17.00	24.00/22.00	32.00/29.00	37.00/34.00	40.00/36.00	46.00/42.00	53.00/47.00	56.00/50.00	58.00/52.00	59.00/53.00
Carson	17.00/14.00	6.50/5.50	13.00/11.00	19.00/16.75	24.00/22.00	23.00/23.00	31.00/29.00	37.00/34.00	40.00/36.50	43.00/40.00	44.00/40.00
Gardnerville	19.00/17.00	6.50/5.50	6.50/5.50	13.00/11.00	19.00/17.00	21.00/19.00	24.00/22.00	31.00/28.00	34.00/30.00	37.00/33.00	38.00/34.00
Walker	24.00/22.00	13.00/11.00	6.50/5.50	5.50/4.50	9.00/8.00	10.50/9.50	14.00/12.00	20.00/18.00	23.00/20.00	26.00/23.00	27.00/24.00
Bridgeport	32.00/29.00	19.00/16.75	13.00/11.00	5.50/4.50	4.50/3.50	6.00/5.00	9.50/8.00	15.00/13.00	18.75/16.50	21.00/19.00	22.00/19.00
Lee Vining	37.00/34.00	24.00/22.00	19.00/17.00	9.00/8.00	4.50/3.50	4.00/3.50	7.50/6.00	12.00/11.00	15.00/14.00	18.00/17.00	19.00/17.00
June Lake	40.00/36.00	26.00/23.00	21.00/19.00	10.50/9.50	6.00/5.00	4.00/3.50	6.50/5.50	11.00/10.00	14.00/13.00	17.00/15.00	18.00/16.00
Mammoth	46.00/42.00	31.00/29.00	24.00/22.00	14.00/12.00	9.50/8.00	7.50/6.00	6.50/5.50	7.00/6.00	10.75/9.00	13.50/12.00	14.25/12.50
Bishop	53.00/47.00	37.00/34.00	31.00/28.00	20.00/18.00	15.00/13.00	12.00/11.00	11.00/10.00	7.00/6.00	7.00/6.00	3.75/3.00	7.25/6.50
Big Pine	56.00/50.00	40.00/36.50	34.00/30.00	23.00/20.00	18.75/16.50	15.00/14.00	14.00/13.00	10.75/9.00	3.75/3.00	4.50/4.00	5.75/4.75
Independence	58.00/52.00	43.00/40.00	37.00/33.00	26.00/23.00	21.00/19.00	18.00/17.00	17.00/15.00	13.50/12.00	6.50/6.00	4.50/4.00	3.50/3.00
Lone Pine	59.00/53.00	44.00/40.00	38.00/34.00	27.00/24.00	22.00/19.00	19.00/17.00	18.00/16.00	14.25/12.50	7.25/6.50	5.75/4.75	3.50/3.00

(Adult/Discount)

395 ROUTE SOUTH
Service Between Mammoth Lakes, CA and Lancaster, CA
Monday—Friday, No Weekend Service

SOUTH-BOUND DEPARTURE TIMES

Mammoth	7:50am
Crowley Lake	8:05am
Tom's Place**	8:10am
Bishop	8:45am
Big Pine	9:05am
Aberdeen**	9:20am
Independence	9:35am
Lone Pine	10:00am
Olancha**	10:20am
Coso Junction**	10:25am
Pearsonville**	10:50am
Inyo Kern	11:20am
Mojave	12:05pm
Lancaster	12:45pm

NORTH-BOUND DEPARTURE TIMES

Lancaster	2:00pm
Mojave	2:30pm
Inyo Kern	3:35pm
Pearsonville**	4:00pm
Coso Junction**	4:15pm
Olancha**	4:35pm
Lone Pine	5:00pm
Independence	5:15pm
Aberdeen**	5:30pm
Big Pine	5:45pm
Bishop	6:10pm
Tom's Place**	6:35pm
Crowley Lake	6:45pm
Mammoth	7:00pm

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ONE WAY FARE SCHEDULE

Mammoth	Bishop	Big Pine	Aberdeen	Independence	Lone Pine	Olancha	Inyo Kern	Mojave	Lancaster
Mammoth	7.00/6.00	10.75/9.00	12.75/11.25	13.50/12.00	14.25/12.50	18.50/16.00	33.00/31.00	36.00/33.00	39.00/36.00
Bishop	7.00/6.00	3.75/3.00	5.75/5.25	6.50/6.00	7.25/6.50	11.50/10.00	26.00/25.00	29.00/27.00	32.00/30.00
Big Pine	10.75/9.00	3.75/3.00	3.50/3.00	4.50/4.00	5.75/4.75	9.50/8.50	25.00/24.00	28.00/26.00	31.00/29.00
Aberdeen	12.75/11.25	5.75/5.25	3.50/3.00	3.50/3.00	5.00/4.25	9.50/8.50	23.00/22.00	27.00/25.00	29.00/27.00
Independence	13.50/12.00	6.50/6.00	3.50/3.00	3.50/3.00	3.50/3.00	7.25/6.50	21.00/20.00	25.00/23.00	27.00/25.00
Lone Pine	14.25/12.50	7.25/6.50	5.00/4.50	3.50/3.00	3.50/3.00	4.00/3.50	19.00/18.00	22.00/20.00	25.00/23.00
Olancha	18.50/16.00	11.50/10.00	9.50/8.50	7.25/6.50	4.00/3.50	12.50/11.50	16.00/14.00	19.00/17.00	19.00/17.00
Inyo Kern	33.00/31.00	26.00/25.00	25.00/24.00	23.00/22.00	19.00/18.00	12.50/11.50	3.00/2.00	5.00/4.00	5.00/4.00
Mojave	36.00/33.00	29.00/27.00	28.00/26.00	27.00/25.00	25.00/23.00	16.00/14.00	3.00/2.00	2.00/2.00	2.00/2.00
Lancaster	39.00/36.00	32.00/30.00	31.00/29.00	29.00/27.00	27.00/25.00	19.00/17.00	5.00/4.00	2.00/2.00	2.00/2.00

FARES

Please have your pass or exact fare ready when you board the bus.

No cash change will be given.

SHARED RIDE SERVICE

All Eastern Sierra Transit bus services provide a shared-ride service; expect that there may be other passenger pick-ups and drop-offs along the way.

RIDER ETIQUETTE

All ESTA passengers are expected to exhibit appropriate social behavior while on the bus, and at the bus stop. Behavior that distracts the driver or annoys other passengers is not permitted. These behaviors include, but are not limited to: smoking, vaping, eating, drinking, spitting, littering, loud music, abusive language, vandalism, solicitation of any kind, or leaving seats while vehicle is in motion.

Pets must be adequately secured in a pet carrier, or muzzled and leashed.

TRAINED SERVICE ANIMALS ARE EXEMPT FROM THIS REQUIREMENT.

DENYING SERVICE TO A RIDER

Use of ESTA vehicles can be denied to any passenger who: demonstrates violent or unruly behavior, insists on transporting prohibited items, refuses to wear a seatbelt, or does not have the required fare.

USE OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE OR TRANSPORTATION OF AN OPEN CONTAINER OF ALCOHOL IS SUBJECT TO IMMEDIATE REMOVAL FROM THE BUS.

HOLIDAYS

***FIXED ROUTE SERVICE WITHIN MAMMOTH LAKES OPERATES 365 DAYS A YEAR.**

Holidays: January 1, February 21, May 30, September 5, November 24, and December 25 & 26, 2022. Please visit website for information on 2022 holiday schedule.

EASTERN SIERRA TRANSIT AUTHORITY



**Bishop Dial-A-Ride
Lone Pine Dial-A-Ride
Lone Pine Express (LPX)
Mammoth Express (MMX)
Benton to Bishop**

395 Routes

North—Lone Pine, CA to Reno, NV

South—Mammoth Lakes, CA to Lancaster, CA

**(760) 872-1901 ext 22
(800) 922-1930 ext 22**

www.estransit.com

Effective May 16, 2022

395 ROUTE REGIONAL BUS SERVICE

SOUTH

**Service Between
Mammoth Lakes, CA and Lancaster, CA**

Monday—Friday

South-Bound Departure Times

Mammoth	7:50am
Crowley	8:05am
Tom's Place**	8:10am
Bishop	8:45am
Big Pine	9:05am
Aberdeen**	9:20am
Independence	9:35am
Lone Pine	10:00am
Olancha**	10:20am
Coso Junction**	10:25am
Pearsonville**	10:50am
Inyokern	11:20am
Mojave	12:05pm
Lancaster	12:45pm

North-Bound Departure Times

Lancaster	2:00pm
Mojave	2:30pm
Inyo Kern	3:35pm
Pearsonville**	4:00pm
Coso Junction**	4:15pm
Olancha**	4:35pm
Lone Pine	5:00pm
Independence	5:15pm
Aberdeen**	5:30pm
Big Pine	5:45pm
Bishop	6:10pm
Tom's Place**	6:35pm
Crowley	6:45pm
Mammoth	7:00pm

**** Must call 24 hours in advance to schedule this trip**

ONE-WAY FARES TO LANCASTER

From:	Adult	Discount
Mammoth	\$39.00	\$36.00
Crowley	\$36.50	\$34.00
Tom's Place	\$36.00	\$33.50
Bishop	\$32.00	\$30.00
Big Pine	\$31.00	\$29.00
Aberdeen	\$29.00	\$27.00
Independence	\$27.00	\$25.00
Lone Pine	\$25.00	\$23.00
Olancha	\$19.00	\$17.00
Inyo Kern	\$ 5.00	\$ 4.00
Mojave	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00

RESERVATIONS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED

NORTH

**Service Between
Lone Pine, CA and Reno, NV**

Monday—Friday

North-Bound Departure Times

Lone Pine	6:10am
Independence	6:27am
Big Pine	6:53am
Bishop	7:25am
Tom's Place**	7:55am
Crowley Lake	8:05am
Mammoth	8:20am
June Lake**	8:50am
Lee Vining	9:00am
Bridgeport	9:36am
Walker**	10:12am
Gardnerville**	10:50am
Carson City	11:17am
Reno-Tahoe Intl. Airport	12:00pm
Reno/Sparks (Greyhound Transfer) 1421 Victorian Ave - Bay O	12:10pm

South-Bound Departure Times

Reno/Sparks (Greyhound Transfer) 1421 Victorian Ave - Bay O	1:30pm
Reno-Tahoe Intl. Airport	1:40pm
Carson City	2:15pm
Gardnerville**	2:45pm
Walker**	3:30pm
Bridgeport	4:05pm
Lee Vining	4:41pm
June Lake**	4:51pm
Mammoth	5:15pm
Crowley Lake	5:30pm
Tom's Place**	5:35pm
Bishop	6:20pm
Big Pine**	6:45pm
Independence**	7:25pm
Lone Pine**	7:40pm

**** Must call 24 hours in advance to schedule this trip**

ONE-WAY FARES TO RENO

From:	Adult	Discount
Lone Pine	\$59.00	\$53.00
Independence	\$58.00	\$52.00
Big Pine	\$56.00	\$50.00
Bishop	\$53.00	\$47.00
Tom's Place	\$50.00	\$44.00
Crowley Lake	\$47.00	\$43.00
Mammoth	\$46.00	\$42.00
Lee Vining	\$37.00	\$34.00
Bridgeport	\$32.00	\$29.00
Walker	\$24.00	\$22.00

LONE PINE EXPRESS (LPX)
SERVICE BETWEEN
LONE PINE, CA & BISHOP, CA
MONDAY THRU FRIDAY
North-Bound Departure Times

	395 Route to Reno	LPX	LPX	395 Route From Lancaster
Lone Pine McDonald's	6:10am	8:30am	11:45am	5:00pm
Independence Court House	6:27am	8:45am	12:00pm	5:15pm
Aberdeen Store**	**	**	**	**
Big Pine				
Bartel & Newman	**	9:15am	12:30pm	—
Main St	6:53am	9:17am	12:33pm	5:45pm
Reynolds Rd	**	9:20am	12:35pm	—
Wilkerson**	**	**	**	—
Bishop Vons	7:25am	9:40am	12:55pm	6:10pm
Bishop Airport	7:35am	9:50am	1:05pm,	6:20pm

South-Bound Departure Times

	LPX	395 Route to Lancaster	LPX	395 Route from Reno
Bishop Airport	6:50am	8:35am	1:05pm	6:10pm
Bishop Vons	7:00am	8:45am	1:15pm	6:20pm
Wilkerson**	**	—	**	**
Big Pine				
Reynolds Rd	7:15am	—	1:30pm	**
Main St	7:17am	9:05am	1:32pm	6:45pm**
Bartel & Newman	7:20am	—	1:35pm	**
Aberdeen**	**	**	**	**
Independence	7:55am	9:35am	2:10pm	7:25pm**
Lone Pine McDonalds	8:10am	10:00am	2:25pm	7:40pm**

**Must call 24 hours in advance to schedule this trip

ONE WAY FARE SCHEDULE
Adult/Discount

	Lone Pine	Independence	Big Pine	Bishop
Lone Pine		\$3.50 / \$3.00	\$5.75 / \$4.75	\$7.25 / \$6.50
Independence	\$3.50 / \$3.00		\$4.50 / \$4.00	\$6.50 / \$6.00
Aberdeen	\$5.00 / \$4.50	\$3.50 / \$3.00	\$3.50 / \$3.00	\$5.75 / \$5.25
Big Pine	\$5.75 / \$4.75	\$4.50 / \$4.00		\$3.75 / \$3.00
Wilkerson	\$7.00 / \$6.25	\$6.00 / \$5.50	\$3.00 / \$2.50	\$4.25 / \$3.50
Bishop	\$7.25 / \$6.50	\$6.50 / \$6.00	\$3.75 / \$3.00	

MAMMOTH EXPRESS (MMX)
SERVICE BETWEEN
MAMMOTH LAKES, CA & BISHOP, CA
MONDAY THRU FRIDAY

North-Bound Departure Times

	MMX	395 Route to Reno	MMX	395 Route from Lancaster
Bishop Airport	6:35am	7:15am	12:50p	6:00pm
Bishop Vons	6:45am	7:25am	1:00pm	6:10pm
Pine Creek & US 395**	6:55am	7:40am	1:10pm	6:25pm
Tom's Place**	7:15am	7:55am	1:30pm	6:35pm
Crowley Lake Community Center	7:20am	8:05am	1:35pm	6:45pm
Mammoth Lakes Vons	7:35am	8:20am	1:50pm	7:00pm

South-Bound Departure Times

	395 Route to Lancaster	MMX	395 Route from Reno	MMX
Mammoth Lakes Vons	7:50am	2:05pm	5:15pm	7:05pm
Crowley Lake Community Center	8:05am	2:20pm	5:30pm	7:20pm
Tom's Place**	8:10am	2:25pm	5:35pm	7:25pm
Pine Creek & US 395**	8:30am	2:45pm	6:15pm	7:45pm
Bishop Vons	8:45am	2:55pm	6:20pm	7:55pm
Bishop Airport	8:55 am	3:05pm	6:30pm	8:05pm

**Must call 24 hours in advance to schedule this trip

ONE WAY FARE SCHEDULE

	Bishop	Mammoth
Round Valley	\$3.50 / \$3.00	\$6.50 / \$5.50
Tom's Place	\$4.00 / \$3.50	\$4.00 / \$3.50
Crowley Lake	\$4.50 / \$4.00	\$3.00 / \$2.50
Mammoth	\$7.00 / \$6.00	

Adult / Discount

DISCOUNT FARES ARE AVAILABLE TO
PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES,
SENIOR 60+, YOUTH 5 – 15
(4 AND UNDER ARE FREE WHEN
ACCOMPANIED BY A PAYING RIDER)

ESTA buses are equipped with mounted bicycle racks. If these racks are full, and as passenger loads permit, a bicycle may be brought on board at the drivers discretion.

**BENTON / BISHOP
BUS SERVICE**
SERVICE BETWEEN
BISHOP, CA & BENTON, CA
TUESDAY & FRIDAY

South-Bound Departure Times

Benton Station	8:25am
Benton Reservation**	8:30am
Hammil Valley**	8:50am
Chalfant General Store **	9:05am
Bishop Vons	9:30am

North-Bound Departures

Bishop Vons	2:30pm
Chalfant General Store**	2:45pm
Hammil Valley**	3:00pm
Benton Station**	3:30pm
Benton Reservation**	3:35pm

**Must call 24 hours in advance to schedule this trip

ONE WAY FARE SCHEDULE

	Bishop	Benton
Chalfant	\$4.50 / \$3.75 10– Punch Pass \$40.50 / \$33.75	\$4.50 / \$3.75 10– Punch Pass \$40.00 / \$33.75
Hammil Valley	\$5.00 / \$4.25 10– Punch Pass \$45.00 / \$38.25	\$3.00 / \$2.25 10– Punch Pass \$27.00 / \$20.25
Benton	\$6.00 / \$5.25 10– Punch Pass \$54.00 / \$47.25	

Adult / Discount

**LONE PINE
DIAL-A-RIDE**

(760) 614-0030

Lone Pine Dial-A-Ride is available
Monday-Friday 7:30am to 3:30pm

One-way fares range from
\$2.40 to \$4.20

depending on destination.

Exact fare—no cash change will be given

Multi-ride passes are available

**BISHOP
DIAL-A-RIDE**

Bishop Dial-A-Ride is available
Monday-Thursday 7:00am to 6:30pm
Friday 7:00am to 2:00am
Saturday 8:30am to 2:00am
Sunday 8:00am to 1:00pm

One-way fares range from
\$2.40 to \$4.20

depending on destination.

Exact fare—no cash change will be given

Multi-ride passes are available

All Dial-A-Ride trips are considered on-time if they arrive at the pick-up location 30 minutes or less before scheduled pick up time.

**CHECK POINT
DIAL-A-RIDE**

Check Points are designated bus stop locations where a bus will depart at specific times. You will be taken to your desired location within the service area. Check Point Dial-A-Ride trips offer a \$1.00 discount off of regular Dial-A-Ride fares.

**CHECK POINT PICK-UP LOCATIONS
MONDAY THRU FRIDAY
Vons**

10:00am, 11:00am, 12:00pm, 1:00pm, 2:00pm,
3:00pm, 4:00pm & 5:00pm

Wanaaha/Paiute Palace Casino

11:30am

N. Warren St. & Church St.

4:30pm

PLEASE LIMIT CARRY-ON ITEMS

All items must fit on your lap or under the seat.

Effective May 16, 2022



Benton to Bishop Bus Service

TUESDAY & FRIDAY

	<u>AM</u>
Benton Station	8:25am
Benton Reservation	8:30am
Benton Smalley's Market	8:40am
Hammil Valley**	8:50am
Chalfant Mercantile	9:05am
Bishop Kmart	9:30am

	<u>PM</u>
Bishop Kmart	2:30pm
Chalfant Mercantile	2:45pm
Hammil Valley**	3:10pm
Benton Station	3:30pm
Benton Reservation	3:35pm

** Must call ahead to request stop

ONE-WAY FARES

	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Discount</u>
Benton to Bishop	6.00	5.25
Hammil Valley to Bishop	5.00	4.25
Chalfant to Bishop	4.50	3.75

Discount fares available to handicapped, seniors 60+, youth 5 through 16 (Under 5 is free when accompanied by a paying rider)

Reservation & Information

872-1901
1-800-922-1930