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Night bus service to be offered on two ValleyRide bus routes beginning Monday, August 17

Two popular ValleyRide bus routes in Boise – the #7 Fairview and the #9 State Street, will begin providing late evening service weekdays beginning Monday, August 17th, Valley Regional Transit has announced.

In addition, the #7 Fairview will provide two route variations from downtown Boise, and the Route 40 Nampa/Meridian Express will now stop at the Park & Ride lot at Ten Mile and Overland roads.

Here are more details about the changes to routes 7 and 9:

- Route 7 Fairview will operate until 9:30 p.m. weekdays and the route frequency from downtown will increase to every 30 minutes from the current 40 minutes. Patrons can choose from two route variations from downtown Boise – Route 7A and Route 7B. Both routes follow the same pathway from downtown Boise to Fairview and Milwaukee. Route 7A will turn right on Milwaukee, right on Ustick (to serve the Ustick branch of The Library! and nearby shopping and dining establishments), right on Cole and left on Fairview back to downtown. The section of Northview between Cole and Milwaukee will no longer receive bus service.
Route 7B will turn left from Fairview to Milwaukee and travel to the Boise Towne Square Mall. Both Route 7A and Route 7B will be in operation on Saturdays.
- Route 9 will operate until 10 p.m. at night on weekdays.

The current ValleyRide bus system within Boise city limits consists of 17 fixed-line routes, and all service currently ends about 7 p.m. on weekdays. Funding for the additional service hours for routes #7 and #9 came from the City of Boise.

“One of the comments that we hear regularly from the public is that they wish ValleyRide buses operated later into the evening,” said Kelli Fairless, Executive Director of Valley Regional Transit. “These additional hours of service are a good first step in making later bus service a reality.”

More information about the service changes is available at valleyride.org or by calling 345-7433.