

**Unmet Transit Needs Comments
Sutter and Yuba Counties**

			Not An Unmet Transit Need	Unmet Transit Need that is Not Reasonable to Meet at this time	Unmet Transit Need that is Reasonable to Meet	Comments
			There are no unmet transit needs that are reasonable to meet in the counties of Yuba and Sutter, including the Unincorporated Areas, and the cities within.			
						All operational comments are shared with the transit operator, and/or the appropriate jurisdiction.
1	Service	Yuba & Sutter Counties (Yuba-Sutter Transit service area)	Commuter bus service is needed to the upcoming (Spring 2024) State Riverside Boulevard Office Complex (RBOC) at 651 Bannon Street in Sacramento.			Yuba-Sutter Transit's downtown Sacramento bus stops are in close proximity to SacRT Light Rail which in turn serves the RBOC, allowing passengers to access the facility directly by transferring between the two services. Demand for additional commuter bus service to Sacramento is low, averaging less than 30% of pre-pandemic levels. Six of twenty-three weekday schedules were suspended in May 2020 and additional schedule reductions were made effective in November 2023 for cost-saving purposes and to reset the service to better reflect current demand. This is not an unmet transit need.
2			Currently there are limited Yuba Sutter commuter bus lines. RBOC will a transfer green line light rail as well that may result in longer travel time.			Yuba-Sutter Transit's downtown Sacramento bus stops are in close proximity to SacRT Light Rail which in turn serves the RBOC, allowing passengers to access the facility directly by transferring between the two services. Demand for additional commuter bus service to Sacramento is low, averaging less than 30% of pre-pandemic levels. Six of twenty-three weekday schedules were suspended in May 2020 and additional schedule reductions were made effective in November 2023 for cost-saving purposes and to reset the service to better reflect current demand. This is not an unmet transit need.
3			More frequent public transportation to/from Plumas Lake to Yuba College and Wheatland for high school and college students.			Demand for service in the Plumas Lake area of Yuba County is low and expanding service is not justified. Ridership on Wheatland services currently averages around 0.5 trips per revenue hour, and expanding service is not justified. Following extensive research and public outreach, Yuba-Sutter Transit adopted a short-range transit plan in May 2023 that reviewed the rural services. No changes were recommended to the Wheatland services. This is not an unmet transit need that is reasonable to meet.
4			Yuba-Sutter Transit routes 4a and 4b need to run later during the week and on the whole weekend (Sundays too).			Yuba-Sutter Transit local routes run until 6:30 PM, M-F. Dial-A-Ride is available to the general public from 6-9:30 PM, M-F. Yuba-Sutter Transit local routes run from 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM on Saturdays. There is low demand outside the current service times and expanding fixed-route service is not justified. This is not an unmet transit need that is reasonable to meet.
5			Yuba-Sutter Transit route 1 needs to run later during the week and on the whole weekend (Sundays too).			Yuba-Sutter Transit local routes run until 6:30 PM, M-F. Dial-A-Ride is available to the general public from 6-9:30 PM, M-F. Yuba-Sutter Transit local routes run from 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM on Saturdays. There is low demand outside the current service times and expanding fixed-route service is not justified. This is not an unmet transit need that is reasonable to meet.

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6	Service	Yuba & Sutter Counties (Yuba- Sutter Transit service area)	The Yuba-Sutter Transit bus routes need to start earlier than 9 AM and run later on the weekends.			Yuba-Sutter Transit local routes run from 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM on Saturdays. There is low demand outside the current service times and expanding fixed-route service is not justified. This is not an unmet transit need that is reasonable to meet.
7			There is not enough transit service available to rural areas in Sutter and Yuba counties.			Bus service is currently provided to Wheatland, Live Oak, and the Yuba County Foothills. These routes operate in a combination of fixed route and demand response. Following extensive research and public outreach, Yuba-Sutter adopted a short-range transit plan in May 2023 that reviewed the rural services. The Plan calls for Yuba-Sutter Transit to support existing volunteer driver programs in Challenge and Dobbins to connect to the existing Foothill service. No changes were recommended to the Live Oak or Wheatland services. This is not an unmet transit need.