

Mountain View Light Rail Double Track Project Update

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Evelyn Light Rail Station Closure Set for Monday, March 16, 2015

What:

The Evelyn Light Rail Station will close permanently on March 16, 2015 as part of the Mountain View Light Rail Double Track Project. VTA is addressing a major bottleneck for its light rail service by adding a second light rail track between the Whisman and Mountain View light rail stations and the Evelyn Station is being closed and demolished to make room for the new track.

When:

Service to the Evelyn Light Rail Station will no longer be provided beginning Monday, March 16, 2015.

Why:

The railroad corridor where the Evelyn Station is located is very narrow and there is not enough room for both the new track and the existing station.

The new, second track will improve VTA's on-time performance for connecting with Caltrain service at the Mountain View Station, allow enhanced service for special events at Levi's Stadium and, eventually, commute hour express train connections to the new BART Station in Milpitas that is due to open in 2017.

Service Impacts:

Average usage at the Evelyn Light Rail Station is less than 70 combined boardings and exits per weekday. These individuals are encouraged to use the nearby Mountain View or Whisman stations.

Trip planning services are available by calling (408) 321-2300, TTY only (408) 321-2330.

Mountain View Double Track Project

The Mountain View Double Track project, one of a series of projects known as the VTA Light Rail Train Efficiency Program, includes installing a second set of light rail tracks between the Mountain View and Whisman stations. The work will require the closure of the underutilized Evelyn Light Rail Station. The purpose of this project is to eliminate the current bottle neck caused by the single track operation in this area of Mountain View and provide storage space to stage multiple vehicles to service future BART service and special events at Levi's Stadium.