

MTS introduces new Rapid Route for South Bay San Diego



CHULA VISTA (KUSI) – Recently, KUSI profiled the highly successful Rapid Route 235 from Escondido to Downtown. Tuesday, KUSI's Ed Lenderman was live at the inauguration of Rapid Route 225, the new express service connecting the South Bay to Downtown.

Local elected officials and community members joined SANDAG, the San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS), Caltrans, and the City of Chula Vista to celebrate the start of the new South Bay Rapidlimited service route between the East Palomar Transit Station at Interstate 805 in Chula Vista and Downtown San Diego.

We are happy to welcome the South Bay Rapid to Chula Vista," said Mayor Mary Casillas Salas. "This is the eighth route added to the Rapid system, which helps residents, commuters, students and visitors get where they need to go quickly and easily throughout the San Diego region."

The new weekday service will run during peak morning and evening commute times. To celebrate this new connection, service on the new Rapid Route will be free for all commuters during its first week of service.

In early 2019, South Bay Rapid service will open for full service and operate along a 26-mile route between the Otay Mesa Transit Center and Downtown San Diego.

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