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Fans should travel early and use mobile tickets to expedite travel and arrive in time for kickoff

San Diego, CA – The Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) advises fans taking the Trolley to Qualcomm Stadium for the Chargers versus Indianapolis game during peak commute hours Monday, Oct. 14, at 5:40 p.m., to travel early and use mobile tickets to ensure they arrive on time for the game.

MTS will increase the number of pre- and post-game Green Line trains that provide direct service to Qualcomm Stadium from downtown and Santee. Expanded service begins at 1:45 p.m. between Old Town and the stadium and at 3 p.m. between Grantville and the stadium. Longer trains will operate on the entire Green Line beginning early in the afternoon. After the game, MTS will operate additional Green Line service in both directions as needed, with the last train departing toward Santee at 11:07 p.m. The last train departing for downtown will leave at its regularly scheduled time of 12:08 a.m.

Chargers fans are strongly encouraged to travel early as trains will be crowded or at capacity with regular commuters after 4 p.m. Passengers attempting to board trains after this time should expect delays encouraged to plan accordingly. Regular Green Line riders are urged to travel two hours before kickoff or wait until after the start of the game to avoid congestion.

Passengers should buy Day Passes before boarding the Trolley on their way to the stadium to save time and avoid ticket lines after the game. Passengers with smartphones can speed up travel and reduce wait times by purchasing their Day Pass in advance using the new MTS mobile ticketing app, which allows them to avoid ticket lines and board the train directly.

Each MTS mTicket Trolley Day Pass costs $5.50 and is good for unlimited rides on game day on all MTS Trolley Lines. After the game, mTicket holders can bypass the main line and use the mTicket Express Lane to express up to the boarding platform. To download the app, search "MTS mTicket" at the App Store or Google Play, or visit www.sdmts.com/mTicket.asp.

Fans can also buy their Day Pass on their Compass Card at any ticket vending machines before boarding. The Day Pass is $5 for current card holders. If you need a Compass Card, there is an additional initial cost of $2. Keep your Compass Card for the next time you ride MTS services. A commemorative $6 Day Pass and $3 roundtrip ticket for senior/disabled are sold at staffed ticket booths at high-volume stations. The $6 commemorative Day Passes are also sold in advance at the Transit Store at First and Broadway, and at the Chargers Team Store at Qualcomm Stadium, Gate G.

One-way tickets can also be purchased at ticket vending machines; $2.50 for adult one-way or $1.25 for senior/disabled one-way.

Fans heading to Qualcomm via the Trolley can use free park & ride lots at Old Town, Morena, Hazard Center (lower level only), Grantville, Grossmont Center, Amaya Dr. (La Mesa), El Cajon Transit Center, Gillespie Field and Santee Town Center. Orange Line fans should transfer to the Green Line at either Grossmont Center or Santa Fe Depot. Blue Line fans should transfer to the Green Line at the 12th & Imperial Transit Center.

MTS also advises fans to be aware of the NFL's new bag policy limiting the size and type of bag that will be allowed into the Stadium. To read more travel tips for the game, visit the MTS website at http://www.sdmts.com/Trolley/Chargers.asp. For further information on special event services, visit www.sdmts.com or contact 511.

MTS operates more than 90 bus routes and three Trolley lines on 53 miles of double-tracked railway. Every day more than 275,000 passenger trips are taken on MTS services. For more information on how you can use public transportation and save money, go to www.sdmts.com.

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