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RTD Launches "Tap N' Ride" — A Faster, Easier Way to Pay

Stockton, CA – Beginning Thursday, June 4, San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) will launch Tap N' Ride, a new contactless payment option that allows customers to pay their fare quickly and securely by tapping a credit card, debit card, or mobile wallet when boarding.

The new option accepts Visa and Mastercard, including Apple Pay, Google Pay, and Samsung Pay, and removes the need for cash handling, paper passes, or an app. Riders simply tap their card or phone on the validator and begin their trip immediately.

RTD will continue to accept cash and all other existing forms of valid fare, giving riders flexibility and choice. The new system adds convenience for those who prefer modern digital payments while keeping traditional options available for everyone.

Tap N' Ride also features fare capping, which automatically tracks rides and ensures customers never pay more than the cost of a daily or monthly pass. After riders reach the cap, the system provides additional rides at no cost for the rest of the period. Riders can maximize savings by using the same card or mobile wallet each time they travel so the system can link their trips correctly.

"Tap N' Ride gives our customers a faster and more convenient way to travel," said Bearnard Veasley, RTD Interim Chief Executive Officer. "This innovation reflects RTD's commitment to improving the rider experience and providing modern, easy-to-use payment options for our community."

Riders can learn more about Tap N' Ride, fare capping, and accepted payment methods at sjRTD.com/TapNRide or call (209) 943-1111, option 100.

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