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DART Riders Can Expect Delays during the 2012 Iowa State Fair Parade

Public transit users can expect service delays all evening starting at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, August 8, due to the 2012 Iowa State Fair Parade in downtown Des Moines.

The Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority advises the riding public to plan for the following service changes that will be in effect during the parade:

- **Evening lineups – at 6:15 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 7:45 p.m. and 8:50 p.m. – will be split into two locations on the north and south sides of the parade route. “Lineups,” usually held on Walnut Street, are when buses converge downtown to allow transfers.**
- **The evening lineups for Routes 1, 11, 4 and 7 will occur at their usual location on the Walnut Street Transit Mall.**
- **The evening lineups for Routes 3 and 5 will be moved to High Street between 7th and 8th streets.**
- **The northern and southern portions of Route 6 will be temporarily split:**
 - **Route 6 to Merle Hay Mall will service the northern portion of its regular route during the parade. Its evening lineups will occur on High Street between 7th and 8th streets.**
 - **Route 6 to Southridge Mall will service the southern portion of its regular route during the parade. Its evening lineups will occur on the Walnut Street Transit Mall.**
- **Express Routes are not expected to be affected by the parade. However, DART encourages all riders who are commuting out of downtown on Wednesday afternoon to leave on an earlier bus, if feasible.**

The temporary changes were planned to maintain travel options for customers during the parade, although delays are anticipated and transfers cannot be guaranteed. Customers are advised to plan their trips accordingly.

More detailed detour information is available online at www.ridedart.com. For additional information, customers can call 515-283-8100 or email dart@ridedart.com.

The Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority is the public transportation provider that serves Polk County. DART operates a family of transportation services that makes getting around the Greater Des Moines area easier and more convenient. For more information about DART services, schedules, route changes, or directions to the nearest DART stop, visit our website at www.ridedart.com or call 515.283.8100.