Rapid Transit Services & Facilities

In 2014, Rapid began running on the I-15 Express Lanes. This new high-frequency service offers increased reliability and customer convenience, similar to the services of a light rail system. Along with more routes connecting residential areas to major employment centers, Rapid includes transit signal priority, real-time arrival signs, enhanced passenger shelters, and fewer stops. Other planned transit improvements support Rapid services, creating a vast network of quick and efficient public transit throughout the region.

I-15 RAPID TRANSIT SERVICES
- Began in 2014
- Provide 29 new buses
- Provide higher frequency service and extended hours of service
- Link North County communities via I-15 with key regional destinations, educational institutions, and employment centers

FACILITIES
I-15 Corridor:
- 20-miles of Express Lanes on I-15 between SR 78 and SR 163
- 5 Direct Access Ramps (DARs) connected to transit stations with rider parking:
  - Escondido Transit Center
  - Del Lago Transit Station
  - Rancho Bernardo Transit Station
  - Sabre Springs / Peñasquitos Transit Station & Parking Structure
  - Miramar College Transit Station
- 2 Mid-City Centerline freeway level transit stations:
  - The Boulevard Transit Plaza at El Cajon Boulevard – opening 2017
  - City Heights Transit Plaza at University Avenue – opening 2017

REGIONAL DESTINATIONS
Downtown San Diego:
- Along Broadway – 4 stops
- Terminus at Santa Fe Depot

Sorrento Mesa, UTC, and UC San Diego:
- Sorrento Mesa / along Mira Mesa Boulevard – 6 stops
- La Jolla Village Drive / Genesee Avenue
- Terminus at Gilman Transit Station (UC San Diego)

Kearny Mesa:
- Along Clairemont Mesa Boulevard – 3 stops

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