



PRESS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

Date: Sunday, June 28, 2009

From: El Dorado County Transit Authority
Matt Mauk, Transit Services Assistant
(530) 642-5383, Extension 201

El Dorado Transit to Provide Free Transportation on Monday, June 29th for First “Spare the Air” Day of the 2009 Season.

Placerville, CA, June 28, 2009 – El Dorado Transit will offer free fare on its local fixed route and Sacramento Commuter services tomorrow, Monday, June 29, 2009 for “Spare the Air”. Each year during the hot summer months, the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD) declares several days as “Spare the Air” due to high atmospheric ozone levels. In an effort to improve air quality in our region and encourage the use of public transit options, El Dorado Transit and the El Dorado County Air Quality Management District are once again sponsoring free transit on all “Spare the Air” days in 2009. The region experienced eight (8) “Spare the Air” days during the 2008 summer smog season.

El Dorado Transit operates community shuttles, six days a week, throughout the western slope of El Dorado County including the towns of Placerville, Cameron Park, Shingle Springs, Pollock Pines, Camino and Diamond Springs. In addition, El Dorado Transit offers twelve (11) week day commuter routes to and from downtown Sacramento as well as connector service to the Light Rail in Folsom.

Sponsorship of El Dorado Transit’s “Spare the Air” Free Fare project will come in part from a grant for motor vehicle emission reduction projects awarded by the El Dorado County Air Quality Management District. The overall goal of such projects is to reduce air pollution emissions from motor vehicles in the Sacramento Federal Ozone Nonattainment Area. The program is funded by DMV Surcharge Fees.

For further details on all of El Dorado Transit’s services or trip planning assistance call El Dorado Transit at (530) 642-5383 or visit our website at www.eldoradotransit.com. # # #