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***Commissioners to Discuss Future of Santa Rosa Transit
Public Transportation Program***

At the Monday, August 22 commission committee meeting, the Santa Rosa County Board of Commissioners will discuss the future of the Santa Rosa Transit Program. The year-long pilot public transportation program ends on November 30. Federal funds are available to continue the program for a second year, but the commission must decide if county funds, which are needed to match the federal funds, will be allocated in order to provide service for an additional year. In 2010, the board approved \$33,140 for the initial one-year operation as a pilot program.

The bus service operates mainly along U.S. Hwy. 90, from the Santa Rosa Industrial Park to a connection to the Escambia County Area Transit system at Nine Mile Road and University Parkway. The program is primarily designed to help residents with transportation needs to and from work, but also helps provide access to medical services, shopping and government offices throughout the day. Monthly ridership has risen steadily since service began last December, from 167 to 586 in June.

The public is invited to provide input to the commission on the continuation of funding Santa Rosa Transit for a second year in the following ways:

- Attend the Santa Rosa Board of County Commissioners committee meeting on Monday, August 22 at 9 a.m. in the commission meeting room located at 6495 Caroline Street in Milton. The meeting may also be viewed live online at www.santarosa.fl.gov/bocc/meetings.html.
- Mail: Santa Rosa Board of County Commissioners
6495 Caroline Street, Suite M
Milton, Florida 32570
- E-mail: bocc@santarosa.fl.gov
- Phone: (850) 983-1877 ~ Office hours 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
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Santa Rosa Transit service is provided through the cooperation of the Santa Rosa Board of County Commissioners, Pensacola Bay Transportation LLC, the Florida-Alabama Transportation Planning Organization, and the Federal Transit Administration. Santa Rosa County is the project manager, the Florida-Alabama Transportation Planning Organization procured the buses and is the federal grant recipient, and Pensacola Bay Transportation LLC is the operator.

For more information about the transit program contact Nancy Model, county transportation planner, at (850) 981-7080 or nancym@santarosa.fl.gov

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