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As we strive to balance the budget and meet performance measures required through our Memorandum of Agreement with MassDOT, the VTA Advisory Board voted some changes to the off- season schedule based on in-depth analysis of the off-season ridership.

85% of the VTA Off-Season ridership is on Routes 1, 10 & 13, and that is where we will concentrate our resources. Great care will be taken to keep the most popular departures for our year-round population.

Without these changes in service, the VTA is looking at an unfunded deficit of \$1M due to the following:

- Agreement with Collective Bargaining Unit - \$700K
- 100% increase in insurance premiums - \$200K
- Lease renewal with MV Airport for rent - \$100K

The **schedule has yet to be finalized**, but in general the following changes will take place:

Off -Season Shoulders: September 29, 2019 – November 30, 2019 and April 3, 2020 – mid-May 2020

- The last round trip on Routes 1 and 13 will be eliminated
- The last trip on Routes 7 and 9 will be eliminated
- No service on Routes 2, 4, 8 & 10A

Winter: December 1, 2019 through April 2, 2020

- Routes 1, 10 & 13 will remain the same as last year's winter service; the last trip will be consistent with the shoulders
- There will be one vehicle, to be determined, as to whether it will be prescheduled demand response or a regular schedule that will service the 3, 5 & 6 corridor, in some capacity
- No service on Routes 2, 4, 7, 8, 9 & 10A
- There will be no Sunday service, except on Route 10

Please note these changes are for the 2019-2020 off-season - should more funding become available, service will be added.

If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions, please send an email to info@vineyardtransit.com or call 508-693-9440.

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