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**Drivers, transit riders should plan for detours ahead of presidential debate**  
*Traffic, bus service will be affected from approximately 4 to 10 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 19*

*[Click to Tweet:](#) #PresidentialDebate at @ThomasAndMack will cause periodic road restrictions from 4-10 p.m. Plan ahead if traveling in the area. #RTCSNV*

LAS VEGAS – Las Vegas will be elevated to the national spotlight on Wednesday, Oct. 19 as the 2016 presidential candidates take the stage for the third and final debate at the Thomas & Mack Center. Traffic and transit service surrounding the Thomas & Mack Center will be severely affected, so the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada (RTC) advises commuters to plan ahead for roadway and transit restrictions.

Periodic restrictions on valley roadways will occur between 4 to 10 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 19 in the following areas:

- I-15 Southbound from Sahara Avenue to I-215 Eastbound through the airport connector to Russell Road
- Russell Road (both directions) from McCarran International Airport to Maryland Parkway
- Maryland Parkway (both directions) from Russell Road to Tropicana Avenue
- Tropicana Avenue westbound from Maryland Parkway to Swenson Street
- Swenson Street (both directions) from Naples Drive to Tropicana Avenue

Intermittent closures will affect access to McCarran International Airport. The recommended route to the airport from the eastside of the valley is westbound Flamingo Road to southbound Paradise Road. The recommended route to the airport from the westside of the valley is eastbound Tropicana Avenue to southbound Paradise Road.

Commuters traveling in these areas during this timeframe should expect delays and plan for additional travel time.

Transit customers should be aware of the following route impacts:

- Tropicana (Route 201): Stops on westbound Tropicana between Maryland Parkway and Paradise Road will not be served
- Paradise/Swenson (Route 108): Stops on northbound Swenson Street between Tropicana Avenue and Flamingo Road will not be served
- Westcliff Airport Express (WAX): The Tropicana Avenue and Koval Lane stop on northbound WAX will not be served

Route detours with specific turn-by-turn directions are available on the RTC website at [rtcsnv.com](http://rtcsnv.com).

Please be advised that both roadway and transit restrictions are subject to change.

**ABOUT THE RTC**

The RTC is the transit authority, transportation planning organization and regional traffic management agency for Southern Nevada. The RTC's mission is to provide a safe, accessible and efficient regional transportation network that enhances the quality of life for Southern Nevada's residents and visitors. The RTC encourages the use of various transportation modes that help reduce the valley's traffic congestion and improve air quality. For more information about the RTC and its major initiatives such as Southern Nevada Strong, Fuel Revenue Indexing and the Transportation Investment Business Plan, visit [rtcsnv.com](http://rtcsnv.com).

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