



Route 66 does not belong to Albuquerque. It belongs to America. Route 66 is the "Mother Road" of America, America's Highway. The 10 or 11 historical locations on Route 66 in Albuquerque will become invisible to the memory and history of New Mexico and our country. Having such a responsibility requires careful thinking in the future of Albuquerque. The City of Albuquerque's plan to put a rapid transit system down the main street and Route 66 is not where we want to spend our immense talent or taxpayer's money.

This ALBUQUERQUE RAPID TRANSIT "plan is a waste of money that will destroy small businesses along Central, make the already traffic-congested street more so, and do nothing to build a thriving, private-sector economy" while replacing the ABQ RIDE and the RAPID RIDE system on Central - that works perfectly well.

During the proposed 2 year construction plan, many businesses will fail before seeing the project completed, just like the businesses that failed during the Lead and Coal project. In addition many of the left turns will be eliminated on Central in both directions and the proposed solution is U-turns. The negative economic impact of this Central plan has not been reviewed or published, vs the claims of an economic development on an already heavily commercialized street.

For More Information on Saving our **Historical Route 66** on Central Ave. in Albuquerque, NM:

<http://savert66.org/>

"According to the U.S. Census Bureau only 1.6% of people over the age of 16 in the First Congressional District now use public transportation to get to their jobs."

This is a solution looking for a problem. Albuquerque is not a congested city, Albuquerque is not a dense city, but Albuquerque is part of the West, land of open spaces. If we wanted high density, multi-storied buildings, more mechanized transportation, and no landscaping, no greenery, and no foliage, we would move to New York City.

There are many other issues in Albuquerque that need MORE attention.



STOP ALBUQUERQUE RAPID TRANSIT

See form on page 2

Print and Mail to:

Federal Transit Administration
Regional Administrator, Robert Patrick
819 Taylor Street Room 8A36
Fort Worth, TX 76102

Name OR Business: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

☐ I am against the Albuquerque Rapid Transit Plan on Route 66

☐ I am a Citizen Concerned about Route 66

☐ I am a Registered Voter in _____
STATE

Comments on the matter: _____



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