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Dear Stanford commuter,

We regret to inform you that our office recently learned that the Kaiser park-and-ride lot will no longer be available to Stanford commuters as of the end of April. The building's owner notified us that a new lease will take effect at the end of this month, and the new tenants need the parking spaces in the Kaiser Lot.

If the decision were ours, we would have continued the lease for the benefit of our commuters, but this was not an option. We do want to note that the building owner has been very generous to lease the parking spaces to us for years at an exceptional rate. This has made an important difference to our East Bay commuters.

We are sorry for the inconvenience and concern this may raise for you. Please be assured that we are looking into alternative park-and-ride options on behalf of our commuters. We had hoped to have good news that we could share with AE-F riders by now. Unfortunately, park-and-ride options are limited in the area, and we have not been able to secure an alternative up to this point.

We will continue to pursue new park-and-ride options. If we are unable to secure an alternative, we plan to continue the AE-F service at the existing stop in the short term. This will enable riders to continue to use the service if they are able to find alternative parking or a means to get to the stop. After May, the level of ridership would determine whether service to Kaiser Drive continues.

We recognize that this change creates a significant disruption for AE-F riders, which is why we were hoping to secure a good alternative quickly before informing you of this change. Our intention was to spare you the anxiety we knew this would cause when hearing this news. We are disappointed that the option we thought was almost in hand did not work out as we hoped.

To help you plan your options in case an alternative lot cannot be secured, we suggest considering carpooling. Eligible Stanford commuters enjoy special pricing through [Scoop](#), which offers rides as low as \$1 and offers drivers up to \$12 per trip. Scoop is a public app, so if you prefer to match only with Stanford commuters, you also have the option to use the [Stanford carpool and vanpool ridematching listing](#). Both options are available on our ridematching page:

transportation.stanford.edu/ridematch

You may be interested to know that Scoop offers the flexibility to schedule carpools on an as-needed basis and allows you to carpool with different people to or from Stanford. This provides greater scheduling flexibility.

If the carpool works out for you on a regular basis, you could receive a [free Stanford Carpool permit](#).

- With two eligible members, you would receive a free 'C-Carpool' permit.

For three or four eligible members, receive a free 'A-Carpool' permit.

- With five or more eligible members, receive a free A-Carpool permit plus a [free vanpool lease](#).

We will keep you informed once we determine whether we can secure an alternative park-and-ride location.

We appreciate your commitment to sustainable transportation and want you to know that we are doing our best to find an alternative for you. Please let us know if you have questions or need assistance with carpool or vanpool options.

Best regards,

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