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****PRESS RELEASE****

SFMTA Weekend Transit and Traffic Advisory

San Francisco—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) releases the following upcoming event-related traffic and transit impacts for this weekend, Saturday, March 3 through Sunday, March 4, 2018. Anyone traveling in San Francisco can check www.sfmta.com or call 311 to find out which of the 83 Muni lines will get them where they want to go. **All road users are encouraged to be aware, share the roadway and to follow all rules to ensure everyone's safety. Whether you are riding Muni, taking a taxi, walking, riding a bike or driving, please remain vigilant to keep everyone safe. If you see suspicious activity, please report it.**

For real-time updates, follow us on www.twitter.com/sfmta_muni or visit <http://www.sfmta.com/signup> to sign up for real-time text messages or email alerts.

For details of Muni re-routes, visit <http://www.sfmta.com/news/alerts>. This website will be updated when it is closer to the event date.

For additional notifications and agency updates, subscribe to our blog, [Moving SF](#) for [daily](#) or [weekly](#) updates.

Black Cuisine Festival

Saturday, March 3: The 38th Annual Black Cuisine Festival will take place from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Dr. George W. Davis Senior Center on Carroll Avenue.

For more details visit <https://bhpmss.org/black-cuisine/>.

Thursday, March 1 through Saturday, March 3: A street closure of Carroll Avenue between 3rd Street and the westerly terminus will be required from 10 a.m., Thursday to 6 p.m., Saturday.

There will be no impact on Muni service.

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Little League Parade

Saturday, March 3: San Francisco Little League Baseball will open the 2018 season with a parade from the Presidio to Marina Middle School. For information, visit <http://www.sfll.org/baseball>.

Beginning at 8 a.m. the parade will leave the Presidio Main Post through the Gorgas Gate, turn south on Lyon Street and proceed east on Greenwich Street to Steiner Street, north to Chestnut Street, west to Lyon Street and return to the Presidio Main Post.

San Francisco Police Officers will monitor the parade for necessary street closures. Muni buses will be permitted through the parade.

The following Muni routes will be affected: **30 Stockton; 43 Masonic; and 45 Union/Stockton.**

Chinatown New Year Run

Sunday, March 4: The Chinatown New Year Run will begin at 8 a.m. and be followed by a festival in Portsmouth Square.

For more event details, visit <http://www.chineseparade.com/ymca.asp>.

The race route will begin on Grant Avenue and Sacramento Street, travel along Grant Avenue, west on Pacific Avenue, north on Stockton Street, east on North Point Street and south-east onto The Embarcadero. The race route will continue along The Embarcadero, west on Washington Street, south on Battery Street, west on Pine Street and north on Kearny Street to Clay Street.

The following street closures will be required from 7 to 9:30 a.m.:

- Grant Avenue between Pine Street and Pacific Avenue
- Pacific Avenue between Grant Avenue and Stockton Street
- Stockton Street (northbound traffic lane only) between Pacific Avenue and North Point Street
- North Point Street (eastbound traffic lane only) between Stockton Street and southbound Embarcadero
- Southbound Embarcadero (bike lane and one traffic lane only) between North Point and Washington streets
- Washington Street (one westbound traffic lane only) between southbound Embarcadero and Battery Street

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Chinatown New Year Run *continued*

- Battery Street (most westerly traffic lane only) between Washington and Pine streets
- Pine Street (most northerly traffic lane only) between Battery Street and Grant Avenue
- Kearny Street (most easterly parking lane and traffic lane only) between Pine and Clay streets

The following street closures will be required from 6 to 11 a.m.:

- Walter U. Lum Place between Washington and Clay streets

The following Muni line and routes will be affected: **California Cable Car; 1 California; 8 Bayshore; 10 Townsend; 12 Folsom/Pacific; 30 Stockton; 39 Coit; and 45 Union/Stockton.**

There will be heavy traffic in the area. Motorists are advised to allow extra travel time.

CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES

UPDATE: Central Subway Project

Water line installation at the intersection of 4th and Brannan streets and track work on 4th Street between Brannan and King streets are ongoing. Construction of the 4th and Brannan streets surface station platform is ongoing. Until further notice, traffic reroutes will remain in effect.

Sewer and water supply infrastructure replacement work continues at 4th and Folsom streets, Monday through Friday, from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. During these work hours southbound 4th Street will be reduced to one lane and eastbound Folsom Street will be reduced to two lanes. Sewer replacement work continues at night at 4th and Howard streets. Work hours are from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. Two through lanes are in place southbound 4th Street. Westbound traffic on Howard Street will be impacted.

One lane on the south side of Ellis Street is open at all times for eastbound traffic. The parking garage between Ellis and O'Farrell is accessible on the north side of Ellis Street. Street restoration work is continuing on the north side of the intersection of Ellis and Stockton streets.

Washington Street between Stockton Street and Trenton Alley is under a long-term temporary closure to vehicular traffic as station construction continues. Pedestrian access to Washington Street between Stockton Street and Trenton Alley remains open.

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CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES *continued*

UPDATE: Central Subway Project *continued*

The Central Subway project is the first underground line to link the north and south corridors of the city, and will provide a direct connection to major retail, sporting and cultural venues while efficiently transporting people to jobs, educational opportunities and other amenities throughout San Francisco.

For project updates, please visit:

<https://www.sfmta.com/projects-planning/projects/central-subway-project>

UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project

The Van Ness Improvement Project is a civic improvement project that will bring San Francisco's first Bus Rapid Transit system. To maximize the benefits of construction, the City will also be replacing major utilities including water, sewer and emergency firefighting water systems. Work will also be done to repave Van Ness Avenue, enhance streetlights and landscaping, and install new sidewalk lighting and rain gardens.

Traffic lanes on Van Ness Avenue have been shifted to create two construction zones for upcoming utility work. Because some of this work requires reducing Van Ness Avenue to one lane in each direction, some work is limited to nighttime hours. Neighbors will be notified of night noise 72-hours in advance of night work.

Friday March 2: Between the hours of 8 p.m. and 7 a.m., neighbors are advised to anticipate construction-related noise and vibrations as crews work diligently to complete necessary night work. Crews will be potholing from Eddy to Sutter streets to confirm underground utilities. Crews are scheduled for saw cutting at the intersection of Broadway to prepare for sewer work. Due to sewer installation work from Union to Green streets and at the intersection of McAllister Street, intensive noise and vibration is expected.

Sunday, March 4: Between the hours of 8 p.m. and 7 a.m., neighbors are advised to anticipate construction-related noise and vibrations as crews work diligently to complete necessary night work between Ellie and O'Farrell streets. Crews are scheduled for saw cutting at the intersection of Broadway to prepare for sewer work.

For more project details and the latest construction updates, please visit [sfmta.com/vanness](https://www.sfmta.com/vanness).

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CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES *continued*

UPDATE: Construction of Mission Bay Loop

Now until Further Notice: The SFMTA has resumed construction on 18th, 19th and Illinois streets, the project is expected to be completed in early 2018.

The Mission Bay Loop is a key component for San Francisco's T Third rail line and is critical to operating the T Third Central Subway service plan. The loop provides turn-around capabilities for the T Third Street light rail line via a connection of trackway from 3rd Street to 18th, Illinois and 19th streets, which will allow the SFMTA to operate the necessary service levels needed to support current and planned growth within the eastern portion of San Francisco.

Traffic, including travelling by bike, may be affected by the construction work. All work areas will be clearly marked and there will be flaggers to help direct traffic. Traveling around and through the construction area should expect minor delays.

Since early April 2017, the contractor has been working on the sewer infrastructure within the center of Illinois Street starting at 18th and Illinois streets. General work hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

In order to conduct the work, parking on both sides including along the historical Crane Cove Park fence (east side of Illinois Street) will be removed 24 hours, 7 days a week from 18th to 19th and Illinois streets for the duration of the project (approximately until summer of 2018).

Traffic lanes traveling both north and south will remain open and there will be flaggers posted to help direct traffic. The northbound bike lane will be converted to a shared roadway. Expect minor delays when traveling around and through the construction area.

Local access to properties along the project site will be maintained. Sewer work is scheduled to be completed by March 2018.

For project details or to sign up to receive project updates, please visit:

<https://www.sfmta.com/missionbayloop>.

ONGOING: 8th Street Safety Project

Now until Further Notice: A new transit boarding island will come soon to 8th Street between Market and Stevenson streets. In coordination with a sewer upgrade effort, construction is in progress and may last until March 2018.

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CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES *continued*

ONGOING: 8th Street Safety Project *continued*

The transit boarding island will provide more space and reliability for transit passengers, and a protected space for bicyclists riding between the sidewalk and boarding island.

Traffic/Transit Impact

- Please follow posted signage to locate the closest 19 Polk and 83X Mid-Market Express bus stop during construction.
- At times, there may be temporary lane closures as crews perform work resulting in possible travel delays. Please plan to allow for extra travel time during construction due to possible delays.
- Traffic will be routed around construction activity as necessary, but will not be detoured. Pedestrian pathways and access to driveways and commercial/residential buildings will be maintained at all times.

For more project details, please visit sfmta.com/7th&8th.

ONGOING: Polk Streetscape Project

The Polk Streetscape Project is an effort to create a safer, more vibrant corridor for all residents of San Francisco. In addition to increasing safety for everyone traveling on Polk Street, this project will incorporate new lighting, landscaping and street infrastructure. The project is anticipated to be completed in six segments, with construction taking approximately 24 months to complete. General work hours will be from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Construction began since October 2016 with sewer work on North Point Street, from Polk to Larkin streets.

San Francisco Public Works will be working to incorporate key safety, sewer and water utility infrastructure improvements and streetscape enhancements along Polk Street, from Beach to McAllister streets. Improvements also include: paving, ADA curb ramps installation, alleyway improvements, sidewalk bulb-outs and bus bulb-outs, traffic signal upgrades, street light upgrades and bicycle lane improvements.

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ONGOING: Polk Streetscape Project *continued*

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For more project details, please visit sfpublicworks.org/polk.

Upcoming Events

Visitation Valley Fair

Saturday, March 10: The annual Ruth Jackson and Family, Friends and Community Day Festival and Parade will take place.

More details to follow.

Sunday Streets: The Mission District

Sunday, March 11: The 2018 season of [Sunday Streets](http://sundaystreetsf.com) will begin in the Mission District. The event will take place on Valencia Street from Duboce to 26th streets. The route will open the roadway to people walking, bicycling and other recreational activities from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For further event details, visit:

<http://sundaystreetsf.com/sunday-streets-2018/mission031118/>.

More details to follow.

Start of Daylight Saving Time

Sunday, March 11: Daylight Saving Time will commence at 2 a.m., requiring clocks to be set forward one hour.

More details to follow.

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Upcoming Events *continued*

St. Patrick's Day Parade

Saturday, March 17: The annual St. Patrick's Day Parade will be held on Market Street.

For more event details, visit <http://www.uissf.org/>.

More details to follow.

Upcoming Construction Projects

Twin Peaks Tunnel Improvements Weekend Early Closures

Friday, March 16 to Sunday, March 18: Starting late night on Friday, March 16, through Saturday, March 17, and continuing for up to 14 weekends, preparatory work inside Twin Peaks Tunnel will be completed in the early morning weekend hours. Exact closing and opening times will be announced closer to the scheduled work weekend. To accommodate this work, some stations will close earlier and open later over the weekend:

- **Forest Hill and West Portal stations** will be closed early on Friday and Saturday nights. Exact closing and opening times will be announced closer to the weekend
- **Castro Station** will remain open to trains and become the terminal for S Shuttle and T Third trains that are running

Buses will operate for K Ingleside, L Taraval and M Ocean View lines, running between Embarcadero Station and each line's outbound terminal. Buses will run every 20 minutes. Owl service will begin at its regular time. There will be no changes to N Judah, J Church or T Third service.

This preparatory work is being done ahead of the Twin Peaks Tunnel summer closure. In the summer, the 100-year-old Twin Peaks Tunnel will be closed for up to 60 consecutive days in order to replace aging tracks and complete major tunnel improvements.

For more information about the Twin Peaks Tunnel Improvement Project, visit sfmta.com/twinpeaks.

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Upcoming Construction Projects *continued*

Inner Sunset Streetscape Improvement and Muni Forward Project

Saturday, March 24: From start of service until end of service, Saturday, March 24, the N Judah line will operate on Muni buses from Duboce and Church streets to Ocean Beach.

The tunnel closure and bus substitution will facilitate the construction of the Inner Sunset Streetscape Improvement Project.

During the tunnel closure, N Judah train service will operate from Duboce and Church streets to King and 4th streets and with shuttle buses operating from Fillmore and Duboce streets to Ocean Beach. Shuttle buses will be rerouted to Frederick Street and Lincoln Way between Carl Street and 7th Avenue.

The project is a partnership between the SFMTA and the San Francisco Public Works (SFPW) to add streetscape amenities to the proposed transit bulb-outs in the area. The streetscape designs will enhance the beauty and walkability of the neighborhoods along the N Judah line from Cole Valley to 19th Avenue and to improve performance of the N Judah as part of the Muni Forward program.

An additional 10-day closure is expected in 2019.

For more project details, visit www.sfmta.com/inersunset.

Muni Rail Rehabilitation Project

Monday, March 26: Starting Monday, March 26, and continuing for approximately three weeks, N Judah track maintenance work will take place at the intersection of Judah Street and 10th Avenue.

During construction, N Judah trains will operate without interruption.

While Judah Street remains open, vehicle traffic along 10th Avenue will be detoured approaching Judah Street. Construction work will take place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Mondays through Saturdays. Neighbors can expect noise during construction. To accommodate vital materials and equipment, **six parking spaces will not be available** near the job site.

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To help with your travel plans to special events in the City of San Francisco, this release will be updated on a weekly basis. Whether you are a visitor or a local resident in the City, we hope you have an enjoyable weekend!

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