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SFMTA Weekend Transit and Traffic Advisory For Saturday, January 26, 2019

San Francisco—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) releases the following upcoming event-related traffic and transit impacts for this weekend, from Friday, January 25 through Sunday, January 27, 2019.

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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.

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Stockton Street Merchants Event

Since Tuesday, January 22 and continuing through Monday, February 4: The Stockton Street Merchants Sidewalk Market Event is taking place along Stockton Street in Chinatown. The southbound Muni stop at Stockton and Jackson streets will be closed from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. every day throughout the duration of the event.

The following Muni routes are being affected: **8 Bayshore; 8AX Bayshore A Express; 8BX Bayshore B Express; 30 Stockton; and 45 Union-Stockton.** Customers are advised to use either stops at Stockton and Pacific streets or at Stockton and Sacramento streets.

Critical Mass

Friday, January 25: The Critical Mass bicycle ride will begin at Embarcadero Plaza (formerly Justin Herman Plaza) at 6 p.m. There will be heavy traffic in the area. Motorists are advised to allow extra travel time.

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Walk for Life

Saturday, January 26: The annual Walk for Life West Coast will stage a rally and march. There will be speakers at Civic Center Plaza beginning at 10:45 a.m., an information faire at 11 a.m. and followed by a rally at 12:30 p.m. The march will commence at 1:30 p.m. from Civic Center Plaza to Market Street ending at Embarcadero Plaza (formerly Justin Herman Plaza). The march may not completely clear off Market Street until 6 p.m. For event details, please visit <http://www.walkforlifewc.com/event-info/event-schedule/>.

Market Street will be closed to traffic between 10th and Fremont streets from 1 p.m. to approximately 6 p.m. Cross traffic between gaps in marchers will not be allowed. Mission Street between South Van Ness and Steuart Street will be closed to create a transit only street for Muni service diverted from Market Street. Motorists should expect significant delays along the Market Street and Mission Street corridors during the closure.

The following Muni lines and routes will be affected: **F Market & Wharves; 2 Clement; 5 Fulton; 6 Haight/Parnassus; 7 Haight/Noriega; 8 Bayshore; 9 San Bruno; 10 Townsend; 12 Folsom/Pacific; 14 Mission; 14R Mission Rapid; 19 Polk; 21 Hayes; 27 Bryant; 30 Stockton; 31 Balboa; 38 Geary; 38R Geary Rapid; and 45 Union/Stockton.**

CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES

UPDATE: Muni Metro Elevator Safety Modernization Project

Since Monday, January 21 and will continue for about ten weeks, the inbound platform elevator at Church Station has been out of service for about ten weeks while the SFMTA has been working on upgrading the unit.

While the elevator is out of service, customer can use the following options to access Church Station:

- **Take an inbound train for L Taraval, M Ocean View, K Ingleside/T Third Streets lines or S Shuttle** - Customers can exit at Van Ness Station, proceed to the outbound platform and take any L, M, K/T or S lines to Church Station.
- **Heading inbound from Church Station** – Customers can use the outbound elevator to access any outbound train, get off at Castro Station, proceed to inbound platform and take any inbound train to continue travel.

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UPDATE: Muni Metro Elevator Safety Modernization Project *continued*

- **Accessible service to the Church and Market area is available on the following Muni routes or lines:**
 - J Church (Accessible stops at Duboce and Church as well as inbound at Church at Market)
 - N Judah (Accessible stop at Duboce and Church)
 - F Market & Wharves (serves Church, Van Ness and Castro stations)
 - 37 Corbett (serves Church and Castro stations)
- **Customers with disabilities** can use station escalators to access the inbound platform.

Upon completion of this upgrade work at Church Station, the SFMTA will begin working on elevators at Castro and Forest Hill stations. The entire upgrade project is expected to take about four years to complete.

UPDATE: Central Subway Project

Utility upgrade work is ongoing Monday through Friday, overnight from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. at 4th and Howard streets. Westbound traffic on Howard Street may 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 and sidewalk restoration work continues on the north side of the intersection of Ellis and Stockton streets, as well as on O'Farrell at Stockton. In Chinatown, the Chinese New Year work moratorium is in effect from Monday, January 21 through Monday, February 11 for work on Stockton Street. The sidewalk on the west side of Stockton, south of Washington, adjacent to the worksite has been temporarily reopened through the moratorium. There is currently one lane of traffic open on both sides of Stockton between Clay and Jackson. For project updates, visit: <https://www.sfmta.com/projects-planning/projects/central-subway-project>.

UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project

Friday, January 25, between the hours of 8 p.m. and 7 a.m., crews are scheduled to work on street light conduits, on installing water main and on installing a joint-utility trench at the following locations:

- Van Ness between North Point and Bay streets
- Van Ness between Bay and Francisco streets
- Van Ness between Greenwich and Filbert streets
- Van Ness between Filbert and Union streets

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CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES *continued*

UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project *continued*

Work locations *continued*

- Van Ness between Union and Green
- Van Ness between Green and Vallejo
- Van Ness between Vallejo and Broadway
- Van Ness between Broadway and Pacific
- Van Ness between Washington and Clay
- Van Ness between Clay and Sacramento
- Van Ness between Sacramento and California
- Van Ness between California and Pine
- Van Ness between Pine and Bush
- Van Ness between Bush and Sutter

Because some work requires reducing Van Ness Avenue to one lane in each direction, work is limited to nighttime hours. For more project details and the latest construction updates, visit sfmta.com/vanness.

ONGOING: UCSF Mission Bay Arena Platform Project

In anticipation of the new Golden State Warriors' Chase Center, the SFMTA is constructing a new 320-foot center platform along 3rd Street between South and 16th streets. The existing platform will be demolished. The new track alignment will include one single and one double crossover to facilitate the movement of vehicles as operations requires. Other associated work includes modification of the overhead contact system, and both above and below ground utility relocation work. Construction will require four phases that will necessitate three separate transit service plans.

Buses is providing T Third service since Tuesday, January 22 and will continue through March 2019 in order to accommodate the next phases of construction. Once the T Third returns to train service, the Muni platform at UCSF Mission Bay will remain out of service through late April 2019. The T Third will continue to operate but will skip that stop. Customers should board at Mission Rock and Mariposa stations.

E Embarcadero and 83X Mid-Market Express is temporarily canceled since Tuesday, January 22 through March. Alternative routes include 47 Van Ness for the 83X and the N Judah and F Market & Wharves for the E.

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CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES *continued*

ONGOING: UCSF Mission Bay Arena Platform Project *continued*

55 16th Street has been rerouted onto 4th Street **since Tuesday, January 22 through mid-February** in order to accommodate the construction zone.

3rd Street between 16th and South streets is closed northbound and down to one lane southbound since Tuesday, January 22 through mid-February. For more information, visit www.SFMTA.com/MissionBayPlatform.

ONGOING: Taraval Track Maintenance Work at 38th Avenue and Taraval Street

Since Wednesday, December 26 and will continue for about five weeks, L-Taraval track maintenance work will take place at the intersection of 38th Avenue and Taraval Street. During construction, the L Taraval rail service will operate without interruption. While Taraval Street remains open, vehicular traffic along 38th Avenue at Taraval Street will be detoured.

ONGOING: Third Street Bridge Rehabilitation Project

Emergency SFPUC Sewer Repair Work to fix a short cracked section of sewer pipe used for outfall was completed on Friday, January 18.

Now through January 2020: Crews have begun Phase Two of the Third Street Bridge Rehabilitation Project. For more project details, visit: <http://www.sfpublicworks.org/thirdstreetbridge>.

ONGOING: Construction of Mission Bay Loop

The SFMTA has resumed construction on 18th, 19th and Illinois streets, the project is expected to be completed in spring 2019. 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. 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.

A partial street closure is currently in effect in order to accommodate duct bank work on Illinois Street between 18th and 19th streets through spring of 2019. Outer traffic lanes traveling both north and south on Illinois Street will remain open for through traffic. Immediately following the duct bank work, the track work will begin.

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ONGOING: Construction of Mission Bay Loop *continued*

Local access to properties along the project site will be maintained. For project details or to sign up to receive project updates, visit: <https://www.sfmta.com/missionbayloop>.

Upcoming Events

Chinese New Year Flower Fair

Saturday, February 2 and Sunday, February 3: The Chinese New Year Flower Fair hosted by Chinese Chamber of Commerce will be held in Chinatown from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday and from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday. For more event details, visit <https://chineseparade.com/flower-market-fair/>.

IBM Think 2019

Tuesday, February 12 through Saturday, February 16: The IBM Think 2019 conference will be held at Moscone Center from Tuesday, February 12 through Saturday, February 16. Attendance of more than 40,000 is anticipated. Conference activities will take place at Moscone North, South and West, as well as at YBCA and in the Metreon and Yerba Buena Gardens. Heavy pedestrian traffic should be expected around Moscone Center and on 3rd and 4th streets between Howard and Market streets. For more information visit <https://www.ibm.com/events/think/>.

The following street closure will be required:

- Howard Street between 3rd and 4th streets will be closed from **7 p.m., Thursday, February 7 to 7 a.m., Monday, February 18.**
- In addition there will be lane closures and parking restrictions at various times on Howard Street between 2nd and 3rd streets; between 4th and 5th streets; on 3rd Street between Folsom and Mission streets; on 4th Street between Minna and Howard streets; and on Folsom Street between 3rd and 4th streets.

Between 3 and 8 p.m., Thursday, February 14, there will be shuttle buses to transport event attendees to the Think by the Bay event. These shuttle buses will utilize Howard Street between 4th and 5th streets; Folsom Street between 3rd and 4th streets for loading and departure.

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Upcoming Events continued

IBM Think 2019 continued

Significant traffic congestion is anticipated in and around Moscone Center for the duration of the closure. Travelers are encouraged to take public transportation or use alternate routes. There will be heavy pedestrian traffic in the area. Howard Street traffic will be detoured via southbound 2nd Street to Harrison Street, or via New Montgomery Street to Hawthorne Street to either Folsom or Harrison streets.

There will be signed bicycle detours for people on bikes on Howard Street to turn north at 2nd Street to Market Street. People on bikes who wish to stay on Howard Street have the option to dismount at Howard and 3rd streets and walk their bicycle through the event along the north sidewalk. Signage will be placed in advance of the street closures and detour routes. Caltrans will activate electronic message signs on major freeways entering the city to notify motorists of the closures. SFMTA Parking Control Officers and San Francisco Police Officers will be deployed at key intersections throughout the closures.

Kaiser Permanente San Francisco Half Marathon

Sunday, February 3: The 36th annual Kaiser Permanente San Francisco Half Marathon will take place in Golden Gate Park. The 5K run will start at 8 a.m. and the half marathon will start at 8:10 a.m. The race begins and ends in Golden Gate Park. For more event details, please visit <https://getfitkpsf.com/>.

Giants FanFest and Wall of Fame Ceremony

Saturday, February 9: The 26th annual KNBR 680 Giants FanFest will take place between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. at Oracle Park (formerly AT&T Park). An attendance of more than 30,000 participants is expected throughout the day. For event details, visit www.sanfrancisco.giants.mlb.com.

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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. 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.

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