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Fourth Round of Muni Forward Service Changes Launch on April 23

Better, more frequent service, including new late night routes

San Francisco—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA), which manages all transportation in the city, including the Municipal Railway (Muni), continues its Muni Forward efforts aimed at improving Muni service – the most significant set of changes in decades. On April 23, the SFMTA is rolling out the fourth round of these service improvements in just over a year. Citywide, Muni riders will see 18 lines with more frequent service, eight lines with expanded service hours, two new lines that make new connections to BART and two new Owl nighttime routes launched.

“As we work to replace and expand the entire Muni bus and train fleet, we are continuing to put more service on the street, providing better connections and making route adjustments so that Muni rides can get around our City safely and on time,” said Mayor Ed Lee.

Increased Frequency

Muni transports more than 700,000 trips during a normal weekday. Increasing frequency on routes and lines throughout the city means that more buses and trains will arrive more often, resulting in more service and less crowding on the following routes:

Line	Frequency Improvements
All Muni Metro Trains	Increasing weekend service – all routes service stations and stops every 10 minutes on Saturday; every 12 minutes on Sunday.
1 California, 47 Van Ness	Increasing AM/PM peak frequency
2 Clement	Increasing AM/PM peak frequency on Sutter
6 Haight-Parnassus, 7 Haight-Noriega, 25 Owl	Increasing late night frequency
10 Townsend, 12 Folsom, 35 Eureka	Increasing all day frequency
31 Balboa, 37 Corbett	Increasing PM peak frequency
28 19 th Avenue	Increasing mid-day frequency from 12 to 10 minutes

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“The Muni Forward program is a comprehensive overhaul of transit service in San Francisco and this round of changes is the most recent step in a process to provide the most significant Muni changes in decades. This systematic approach to Muni service will continue to help people get around safer, more reliably and faster,” said SFMTA Board Chairman Tom Nolan.

New Late Night Routes Launching

New all night (Owl) service is proposed for portions of the 44 O’Shaughnessy and the 48 Quintara-24th Street. This new Owl service will increase the number of San Franciscans who live within one-half mile of 24/7 service. Service will run every 30 minutes between the following destinations:

- 44 Owl from Glen Park to the Bayview
- 48 Owl from Noe Valley to 3rd Street
- The 25 Owl will increase frequency from 45 minutes to 30 minutes.
- [Route Maps](#)

New Owl service will begin at 1 a.m. on April 24.

“Whether for work or recreation, people depend on Muni to get around day and night,” said SFMTA Director of Transportation, Ed Reiskin. “The new late night routes and service increases are examples of the overall improvements we are making to adapt to the needs of Muni riders in a growing economy and city population.”

Expanded Service Hours

One year ago the SFMTA launched Muni’s Rapid Network and made a promise to prioritize frequency and reliability on those heavily used lines. This April the SFMTA is taking another step forward to enhance the Rapid Network by expanding service hours on the 28R Rapid to all-day Rapid service, connecting the Inner Richmond, the Inner Sunset, Parkside, Stonestown, San Francisco State University, Balboa Park Station, and Mission & Geneva. Service hours will also be extended on Muni’s popular Express routes so customers can commute home a little bit later.

Line	Service Expansion
28R 19 th Avenue Rapid	Rapid service from Mon. through Fri. (7 a.m. to 7 p.m.)
Richmond Express Buses	Service extended to 7 p.m.: 1AX, 1BX, 31AX & 31BX
30X Marina-Express	Service extended to 7 p.m., larger buses, plus stop consolidation along Chestnut to speed up the commute
57 Parkmerced	Weekday service to begin at 5 a.m.
E Embarcadero	New weekday service from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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Improved Route Changes

Many of the route changes rolling out this month will allow for better, easier and more frequent connections to regional transportation partners, including [Bay Area Rapid Transit \(BART\)](#).

Line	Route Adjustment
2 Clement	New short line to California Street and Presidio Avenue to boost service along Sutter Street .
14R Mission Rapid	Extended to Daly City BART all day
18 46 th Avenue	Outbound route turning from Sloat onto Skyline (currently using Sunset)
28R 19th Avenue Rapid	Major transformation, providing all-day Rapid service from the Inner Richmond to the Excelsior District
35 Eureka	Increased frequency and improved connections across San Francisco.

More information about Muni Forward and Transit Priority Projects can be found at www.sfmta.com/muniforward.

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Established by voter proposition in 1999, the SFMTA, a department of the City and County of San Francisco, oversees the Municipal Railway (Muni), parking and traffic, bicycling, walking and taxis. With five modes of transit, Muni has approximately 700,000 passenger boardings each day. Over 1 million people get around this city each day and rely on the SFMTA to ensure safe and reliable travel by transit, walking, bicycling, taxi and driving.

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