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SFMTA Weekend Transit and Traffic Advisory For Saturday, January 19, 2019

San Francisco—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) releases the following upcoming event-related traffic and transit impacts for this holiday weekend, from Friday, January 18 through Tuesday, January 22, 2019.

For real-time updates, follow us on https://twitter.com/sfmta_muni or visit <https://www.sfmta.com/about-us/contact-us/email-and-text-alerts> 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.

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NEW: 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 will provide T Third service from Tuesday, January 22 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.

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NEW: UCSF Mission Bay Arena Platform Project *continued*

E Embarcadero and 83X Mid-Market Express will be temporarily canceled from 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.

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

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

Martin Luther King Day Holiday Muni Service, Parking Will Be Enforced

Monday, January 21, 2019 (Martin Luther King Day Holiday), Muni will operate on a Saturday schedule.

Parking meters and seven-day street sweeping will be enforced citywide on the holiday. Residential parking permits and Monday-Friday daytime street sweeping and commuter towaway will not be enforced.

Vehicles creating a hazard and/or an unsafe condition (i.e. double parking, blocking a bike lane, blocking driveways, blocking crosswalks, fire hydrants, etc.) are subject to receiving citations and can possibly be towed.

Note: Parking meters in the City are enforced Monday through Saturday with the exception of the following areas where parking meters are enforced seven days per week throughout the year except Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day:

- Parking meters in the Fisherman's Wharf area
- On and near The Embarcadero roadway
- In the Special Event Area around Oracle Park
- Five metered off-street parking facilities listed below:
 - 8th Avenue at Clement Street
 - 9th Avenue at Clement Street
 - Geary Boulevard at 21st Avenue
 - 18th Avenue at Geary Boulevard
 - Pierce Street Garage (between Lombard and Chestnut streets)

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Women's March San Francisco

Saturday, January 19: The Women's March will hold a rally at Civic Center Plaza beginning at 11:30 a.m. The march will commence from Civic Center Plaza at around 1:30 p.m. and proceeding along Market Street and ending at Embarcadero Plaza (formerly Justin Herman Plaza). There will be no activities at Embarcadero Plaza. Crowds of 50,000 to 75,000 are anticipated. For event details, visit <https://womensmarchbayarea.org>.

Market Street will be closed to traffic between 10th and Steuart streets during the march. Cross traffic between gaps in marchers will not be allowed. Mission Street between 6th and Beale streets may 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 and continuing until around 6 p.m.

There will be heavy ridership at Muni Metro and BART stations on Market Street, particularly Montgomery and Embarcadero stations during mid to late afternoon. Delays and heavy traffic on The Embarcadero should also be anticipated.

The following Muni lines and routes will be affected: **Powell-Mason Cable Car; Powell-Hyde Cable Car; F Market & Wharves; N Judah; KT: K-Ingleside/T-Third Street; 2 Clement; 5 Fulton; 6 Parnassus; 7 Haight/Noriega; 8 Bayshore; 9 San Bruno; 10 Townsend; 12 Folsom/Pacific; 14 Mission; and 14R Mission Rapid; 21 Hayes; 31 Balboa; 38 Geary; 38R Geary Rapid; 30 Stockton; and 45 Union/Stockton.**

MLK March and Celebration

Monday, January 21: Beginning at 11 a.m. the MLK March will start near 4th and King streets and conclude at the Yerba Buena Center for the Arts at approximately noon. The MLK Celebration will be held at Yerba Buena Center for the Arts from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Caltrain's Celebration Train will arrive at the 4th and King Street Station at 10:55 a.m.

Muni bus shuttles will be standing by to transport those Celebration Train riders who are unable to participate in the MLK March between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Participants may take the 30 Stockton or 45 Union-Stockton bus routes south on 5th Street for post-event service back to Caltrain after 5 p.m.

The following Muni lines and routes will be affected: **N Judah; K-Ingleside/T-Third Street; 8 Bayshore; 10 Townsend; 12 Folsom; 30 Stockton; 45 Union/Stockton and 47 Van Ness.**

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Stockton Street Merchants Event

Tuesday, January 22 through Monday, February 4: The Stockton Street Merchants Sidewalk Market Event will take place from **Tuesday, January 22 through Monday, February 4** 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 will be 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.

CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES

NEW: Muni Metro Elevator Safety Modernization Project

Starting Monday, January 21, the inbound platform elevator at Church Station will be out of service for about ten weeks while the SFMTA will work on upgrading the unit.

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

- **If you are onboard an inbound L Taraval, M Ocean View, K Ingleside/T Third Streets or S Shuttle train** - 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** – Elevator users 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.
- **Accessible service to the Church and Market area is available on the following Muni lines or routes:**
 - 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.

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CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES *continued*

UPDATE: Twin Peaks Tunnel Improvement Project

On Friday and Saturday nights of this weekend, January 18-20, there will be temporary overnight closures to the Twin Peaks Tunnel. Bus shuttles will be provided for the KLM lines and will run while additional work is done. Neighbors should expect minimal disruptions as most activity will be inside the tunnel. Crews plan to use this time to replace and upgrade 33 fire suppression valves, repair superficial cracks, and finish replacing the fiber optic cables that aid citywide emergency communications. These closures are similar to those on previous weekends and only in effect when ridership is low late at night and early in the morning.

Weekend Overnight Details:

- **West Portal and Forest Hill stations** will be closed at approximately 11 p.m. on Friday and will reopen on Saturday at 9 a.m.
- **West Portal and Forest Hill stations** will be closed at approximately 11 p.m. on Saturday and will reopen on Sunday at 9 a.m.
- **Buses will operate K, L and M routes** between Embarcadero and each line's terminal destination. Buses will run every 20 minutes until OWL service starts.
- **OWL service** will not be affected by these closures.

Customers can board all buses at Muni Shuttle route stops, designated with a "Muni Metro Shuttle" yellow half-moon sign. For more information, visit [SFMTA.com/TwinPeaks](https://www.sfmta.com/TwinPeaks).

UPDATE: 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.

UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project

Friday, January 18, 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 Francisco and Chestnut streets
- Van Ness between Filbert Street and Pacific Avenue
- Van Ness between Sacramento and California streets
- Van Ness at Bush Street

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CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES *continued*

UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project *continued*

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](https://www.sfmta.com/vanness).

UPDATE: 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 of 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.

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>.

ONGOING: 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 sidewalk on the west side of Stockton, south of Washington is temporarily closed adjacent to the worksite in order to facilitate utility upgrades. 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>.

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CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES *continued*

ONGOING: Third Street Bridge Rehabilitation Project

Emergency SFPUC Sewer Repair Work occurring near, but unrelated to the Third Street Bridge Rehabilitation Project, SFPUC recently discovered a short cracked section of sewer pipe used for outfall and the city has declared an emergency to perform needed repairs. Work will occur just north of the bridge in the two eastern lanes. Emergency repair work is not anticipated to cause additional impact to traffic in the area as work will be within an area that has already been closed off to traffic during the first phase of bridge rehabilitation work. Emergency repairs are anticipated to be completed by 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>.

Upcoming Events

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.

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/>.

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Upcoming Events *continued*

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 on Howard Street between 2nd and 3rd streets, and between 4th and 5th streets and on 3rd Street between Folsom and Mission streets.

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.

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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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