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****PRESS RELEASE****

**SFMTA Weekend Transit and Traffic Advisory
For Saturday, January 25, 2020**

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 24 through next Wednesday, January 29.**

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.

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

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Early Subway Shutdown Starting Sunday, January 26 *continued*

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Plan extra travel time when riding Muni during subway closure. Regular bus fares will apply on bus shuttles and valid transfers will be accepted.

For more information, visit [SFMTA.com/subwaymaintenance](https://www.sfmta.com/subwaymaintenance).

Events at Chase Center

Friday, January 24: The Warriors will play against the **Indiana Pacers**. Game will start at 7:30 p.m.

Street Closures

To accommodate events that will take place at the arena, the following street closures will be enforced two hours before and one hour after each event:

- 16th Street between 3rd Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Warriors Way between 3rd Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Northbound 3rd Street between 16th Street and Warriors Way will also be closed approximately 30 minutes before an event ends and 45 minutes after an event ends.

No Parking Zone

To facilitate loading and pick up for Muni customers and patrons, **NO PARKING** will be in effect at these locations during events:

- 16th Street between 3rd Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Warriors Way between 3rd Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Terry Francois Boulevard (TFB) between Warriors Way and the 700 Block of TFB
- Illinois Street between Mariposa and 16th streets

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Events at Chase Center *continued*

Taxi Stands

- Taxi Stands are located on Terry Francois Boulevard, one northbound and one southbound.
- Ramp Taxis should use the loading zone on eastbound Warriors Way (formerly South Street) at Bridgeview Way.

For details about transportation to the Chase Center, including Muni service and connections from the Bay Area transit system to Muni, visit SFMTA.com/ChaseCenter.

Walk for Life

Saturday, January 25: 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 Steuart 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

NEW: Car-Free Market Street Beginning Wednesday, January 29

[The Better Market Street project](#) is set to transform our city's busiest street for people walking, biking and riding transit over the next few years, but we do not need to wait for construction to make it safer and improve Muni.

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NEW: Car-Free Market Street Beginning Wednesday, January 29 *continued*

Starting on Wednesday, January 29 through our [Quick-build](#) program, Market Street will become car-free eastbound from 10th to Main streets and westbound from Steuart Street to Van Ness Avenue. In addition to restricting private vehicles, the quick-build includes extending Muni only lanes, new loading zones and much-needed intersection safety improvements.

Vehicle Changes

- No private vehicles will be allowed on Market Street eastbound from 10th to Main streets and westbound from Steuart Street to Van Ness Avenue – including app-based ride hail companies like Uber/Lyft.
- All traffic can continue to cross Market street at intersections.
- Vehicles with commercial plates, taxis, emergency vehicles and paratransit will still be able to use Market Street.
- Right turns onto Valencia Street from eastbound Market Street will no longer be allowed.
- Page Street will become a bike-only connection to and from Market Street.

Transit Enhancements Over the Next Few Months

- Extending existing transit-only lane east from Third to Main streets, the segment of Market Street with the most transit service, and making it Muni-only (taxis and non-Muni buses will no longer be allowed in center lane)
- Converting the existing red transit-only lane to **“Muni Only” between 9th and 3rd streets**
- Converting the existing red transit-only lane to **“Muni & Taxi Only” between 12th and 9th streets**

Loading Changes

- 100 new cross-street passenger and commercial loading zones to accommodate safe loading
- Peak hour loading restrictions on Market Street to reduce conflicts between people on bicycles, transit and commercial vehicles:
 - No southside loading in the eastbound direction (towards the Ferry Building) on weekdays between 6 and 9:30 a.m.
 - No northside loading in the westbound direction (towards Twin Peaks) on weekdays between 3 and 7:30 p.m.

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NEW: Car-Free Market Street Beginning Wednesday, January 29 *continued*

Additional Safety Improvements

- Installing painted safety zones at eight intersections to make crossing the street safer and shorter
- New bicycle intersection improvements at 8th, Page, Battery and Valencia streets.

More Information: <https://www.sfmta.com/blog/car-free-market-street-starts-january-29>

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UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project

On Friday, January 24, between the hours of 8 p.m. and 7 a.m., crews are scheduled to work on installing a joint-utility trench, traffic striping and sewer main installation at the following locations:

- Van Ness between Greenwich and Filbert streets
- Van Ness between Filbert and Union streets
- Van Ness between Union and Green streets
- Van Ness between Green and Vallejo Street
- Van Ness between Vallejo Street and Broadway
- Van Ness between Broadway and Pacific Street
- Van Ness between Pacific and Jackson streets
- Van Ness at Sutter Street
- Van Ness at Post Street
- Van Ness at Geary Street

Because some work requires reducing Van Ness Avenue to one lane in each direction, some work is limited to nighttime hours. Construction scheduling is subject to change due to weather delays or unexpected field conditions. For more project details and the latest construction updates, visit sfmta.com/vanness.

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UPDATE: L Taraval Improvement Project

Since Thursday, August 15, 2019, traffic pattern on lower Great Highway between Ulloa and Santiago streets has been changed. Northbound travel lane on lower Great Highway has been rerouted to 48th Avenue for two blocks between Ulloa and Santiago streets. Southbound travel lane will continue on lower Great Highway as usual. This will be in effect until project completion in 2022.

Monday, January 13 to Friday, January 24: Construction crew are performing sewer main replacement and water line work on the northside of Taraval Street between 46th and 44th avenues; and between 40th and 37th avenues. Work hours are from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Some parking spaces are temporarily restricted in the construction zones and traffic lanes have been modified in the northbound lane during active work.

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UPDATE: L Taraval Improvement Project *continued*

Since Monday, December 30, 2019 and continuing through Friday, January 24, the outbound L Taraval stop at 40th Avenue is temporarily discontinued Monday to Friday from 7:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Muni riders should use alternative stop at 41st Avenue during the listed hours on weekdays.

Continuing through Wednesday, January 22, the outbound L Taraval stop at 46th Avenue will be temporarily discontinued from 7:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

For project details, visit sfmta.com/LTaraval.

UPDATE: Townsend Corridor Improvement Project

Muni customers, pedestrians, people on bicycles, drivers and other road users should be mindful of the construction activity that is occurring along the south side of Townsend Street, particularly next to the Caltrain station. As construction moves westward, work crews will continue to provide a protected path of travel for pedestrians on the south side of Townsend Street between Caltrain and the bus boarding island mid-block on Townsend Street between 4th and 5th streets.

Beginning in February, loading for Muni routes **10 Townsend, 47 Van Ness and 83X Mid-Market Express** on Townsend Street between 4th and 5th streets will be shifted at times in order to facilitate the final phase of construction along the bus island. Signs will be posted, directing passengers to the temporary locations.

During the hours of 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., eastbound Townsend Street between 4th and 5th streets will at times be reduced from two lanes to one lane to accommodate construction work. Westbound Townsend Street will not be affected.

Please follow posted signs as the construction zone will move as progress continues. For more information about this project, visit: www.sfmta.com/townsend.

ONGOING: Jefferson Streetscape Improvement Project

Since October 2019 and continuing for the next 12 months, the E Embarcadero and F Market & Wharves streetcars will turn back at Pier 39 due to construction on the Jefferson Streetscape Improvement Project. The last inbound stop is on The Embarcadero at Pier 39.

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ONGOING: Jefferson Streetscape Improvement Project *continued*

Customers wishing to ride to further destinations may board a bus shuttle at that stop, which operates in a loop to serve the missed E Embarcadero and F Market & Wharves stops along Fisherman's Wharf.

Riders wishing to return to downtown locations on the E Embarcadero and F Market & Wharves lines must board across Stockton Street on Beach Street in front of the parking lot at the Academy of Art University.

Since October 2019 and continuing to early February 2020, due to construction on Jefferson Street between Taylor and Jones streets, bus shuttles will not serve the stop at Jones and Beach streets. Customers should use alternate stops, at Jones and Taylor streets or at Beach and Mason streets.

For more information about Phase Two of the Jefferson Streetscape Improvement Project, visit <http://www.sfpublicworks.org/jefferson>.

ONGOING: Third Street Bridge Rehabilitation Project

Nighttime construction work will continue to take place between the hours of 8 p.m. and 7 a.m. and is anticipated to continue periodically through January 2020.

Since July 2019, crews have begun phase two of the rehabilitation work. Phase two construction work involves travel lane shifts and other adjustments to the roadway and work area. Vehicle and bicycle access via travel lanes across the bridge continue to be available in each direction, northbound and southbound (**except during periods of full temporary bridge closures when the pending scope of work restricts access across the bridge for all vehicle, bicycle and pedestrian traffic**). Pedestrian access is available via the sidewalk along the eastern side of the bridge. People on bike may also choose to walk their bicycle along the pedestrian sidewalk as an alternative to riding across the bridge via the travel lane. Pedestrian access via the sidewalk along the western side of the bridge may be unavailable during different phases of upcoming work.

Third Street Bridge is open and access across the bridge is available. To complete remaining rehabilitation work, future short duration full bridge closures are anticipated through January 2020.

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Construction scheduling is subject to change due to rain or other weather delays, equipment breakdown, and/or unforeseen field conditions. Additional periods of short closures may be possible, if necessary, to complete remaining rehabilitation work. Information will be shared closer to that period should additional closures seem necessary and details are finalized. Updates will be posted to the project webpage. For details about the project, the latest construction updates and suggested detour routes for pedestrians, bicyclists and vehicles, visit: www.sfpublicworks.org/thirdstreetbridge.

Upcoming Events

Kaiser Permanente San Francisco Half Marathon

Sunday, February 2: The 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/>.

Events at Chase Center

Saturday, February 8 through Sunday, March 1: There will be multiple events at Chase Center. Doors will open approximately one hour before each event starts.

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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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