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PRESS RELEASE SFMTA Weekend Transit and Traffic Advisory for Weekend of Saturday, April 17, 2021

San Francisco—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) releases the following upcoming event-related traffic and transit impacts for this weekend, from **Friday**, **April 16 through Sunday**, **April 18**, **2021**.

For real-time updates, follow us on https://twitter.com/sfmta muni or visit SFMTA.com/EmailText to sign up for real-time text messages or email alerts.

For details of Muni re-routes, visit <u>SFMTA.com/Updates</u>. This website will be updated when it is closer to the event date.

For additional notifications and agency updates, subscribe to our blog, <u>Moving SF</u> for <u>daily</u> or <u>weekly</u> updates.

Federal Law Requires Face Masks on Muni

To help stop the spread of COVID-19, <u>federal law requires wearing a mask</u> in Muni stations, when purchasing a ticket and while waiting for, boarding, riding or exiting transit. Masks are also required on paratransit and in taxis. Violations can result in denial of boarding or removal from Muni and may carry federal penalties. Face coverings like scarves and bandanas do not meet this requirement. For more information, please visit <u>sfmta.com/COVID</u>.

CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES

UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project

On Friday, April 16, between the hours of 8 p.m. and 7 a.m., crews are scheduled to work on remaining overhead power installations, traffic signal wiring and hardware installations, light pole setting and related work at the following locations:

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San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency

1 South Van Ness Avenue, 7th Floor

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CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES continued

<u>UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project continued</u>

Work locations continued

- Van Ness between McAllister and Grove streets
- Van Ness between Grove and Hayes streets
- Van Ness between Hayes and Fell streets
- Van Ness between Fell and Market streets
- Van Ness between Market and Mission streets

Work that requires reducing Van Ness Avenue to one lane in each direction will be 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.

ONGOING

ONGOING: Muni Service During the COVID-19 Shelter-In-Place Order

Until further notice, Muni buses will continue to serve the K Ingleside, L Taraval, M Ocean View and N Judah Metro lines.

To learn more information about bus substitution for Muni rail lines, visit <u>Muni's Bus Substitution for All Rail Lines</u>. For information about upcoming service changes, read our <u>latest service change blog</u>.

Some Muni routes have been modified under the current health order. For details of Muni's individual lines/routes, visit each route's webpage or the <u>Muni Core Service Plan</u>.

• Core Routes in Service: J Church (Balboa Park to Church & Duboce streets); K Ingleside (Balboa Park to Embarcadero); T Third (Sunnydale to Embarcadero); L Taraval Bus (all buses) (SF Zoo to Embarcadero); N Judah Bus (Ocean Beach to 4th and King streets); M Ocean View Bus (Balboa Park to West Portal); 1 California; 5 Fulton; 7 Noriega; 8 Bayshore (rerouted to Stockton); 9 San Bruno, 9R San Bruno Rapid (weekday only); 12 Folsom/Pacific (Financial District to Russian Hill), 14 Mission; 14R Mission Rapid; 15 Bayview-Hunters Point Express; 19 Polk; 22 Fillmore; 24 Divisadero; 25 Treasure Island; 27 Bryant (modified route); 28 19th Avenue (Daly City BART to California Street & 6th Avenue);

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ONGOING: Muni Service During the COVID-19 Shelter-In-Place Order continued

Core Routes in Service continued

- 29 Sunset; 30 Stockton; 33 Ashbury-18th Street; 37 Corbett (Twin Peaks and Van Ness & Market Street); 38 Geary; 38R Geary Rapid; 43 Masonic (Geary Boulevard to Crocker Amazon); 44 O'Shaughnessy; 45 Union-Stockton; 48 Quintara/24th Street (20th at 3rd streets and West Portal Station); 49 Van Ness/Mission (extended from North Point to Powell and Beach); 54 Felton (Daly City BART to Hunters Point); 55 Dogpatch; and 67 Bernal Heights.
- Late-night Owl routes start at 10 p.m. (instead of 1 a.m.) All regular Owl routes are in operation, except 5 Fulton and 48 Quintara/24th Street.
- The following routes are running 24 hours a day or providing special Owl Service: L Owl; N Owl; 14 Mission; 22 Fillmore; 24 Divisadero; 25 Treasure Island; 38 Geary; 44 O'Shaughnessy; 90 San Bruno Owl; 91 3rd Street/19th Avenue Owl.

ONGOING: L Taraval Improvement Project

As Segment A of the L Taraval Improvement project reached substantial completion, major infrastructure improvements have been completed between San Francisco Zoo and Sunset Boulevard. Coming up next until this summer, streetscape and landscape work will continue with minimal public impacts. For project details, visit SFMTA.com/LTaraval Project.

As Muni Metro service is still not operating in the subway due to COVID-19 pandemic, the L bus will continue serving the L stops between Embarcadero and the SF Zoo. Buses will make regular stops on the curbside.

Since Aug. 2019, the traffic pattern on lower Great Highway between Ulloa and Santiago streets has been changed. The northbound travel lane on lower Great Highway has been rerouted to 48th Avenue for two blocks between Ulloa and Santiago streets. The southbound travel lane will continue on lower Great Highway as usual. This will be in effect until project completion in fall 2021.

ONGOING: 19th Avenue (CA Route 1) Combined City Project

San Francisco Public Works is leading a multi-agency project to replace aging infrastructure and improve safety along 19th Avenue between Holloway Avenue and Lincoln Way.

Construction work for the first segment of this project along 19th Avenue between Lincoln Way and Noriega Street has begun.

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ONGOING: 19th Avenue (CA Route 1) Combined City Project continued

As part of the <u>19th Avenue Combined City Project</u>, the SFMTA will implement transit priority and safety improvements for people walking along the route of the 28 19th Avenue. The improvements will make it safer to walk, remove stops to make transit service more reliable, and enhance customers' experiences—on and off the bus.

To improve safety along 19th Avenue, the SFMTA will: **1)** install pedestrian bulbs at 19 intersections and transit bulbs at 13 intersections; **2)** modify traffic and pedestrian signals to give people who walk more time to cross the street; and **3)** extend the bus zone at one intersection. Installing transit bulbs allow Muni vehicles to stop for passengers without having to pull out of traffic, and pedestrian bulbs increase the visibility at intersections of people who walk.

As part of the project, seven Muni stops were removed on 19th Avenue between Irving Street and Ocean Avenue on Oct. 17. **The following Muni routes have been affected with the stop removal:**

- 28 19th Avenue
- 91 3rd Street/19th Avenue Owl

To find additional information about the transit reliability and pedestrian safety components, visit <u>sfmta.com/28Rapid</u>. For overall project information, visit <u>sfpublicworks.org/19th-Avenue</u>.

ONGOING: Shared Spaces Program

The city's multi-agency <u>Shared Spaces</u> program opened some parts of streets in San Francisco to create public space for outdoor dining, retail and physical distancing. The program allows the use of sidewalks, full or partial streets, or other nearby public spaces like parks and plazas for restaurant pick-up and other neighborhood retail activity, as allowed by San Francisco's Public Health Order. For details, locations and updates on street closures related to Shared Spaces visit <u>SFMTA.com/SharedSpaces</u>.

ONGOING: Essential Trip Card Discount Program

The SFMTA's temporary special program, <u>Essential Trip Card</u> (ETC) Program, will assist people with disabilities and older adults to make essential trips under Muni's temporary transit changes. The program provides two to three round trips at an 80% discount per month, i.e. rider pays \$6 to receive a value of \$30 or pays \$12 to receive a \$60 value. The discount is limited to a value of \$60 taxi service per month per customer.



ONGOING: Essential Trip Card Discount Program continued

To qualify for the program: customer must be either age 65 or older or an adult with disabilities. Eligible adults may apply for the ETC program by calling 311 and mentioning the program. Staff will be available between 9 a.m. and 4:45 p.m., Monday through Friday. Visit https://www.sfmta.com/etc for additional details and for a list of San Francisco taxi companies, visit https://www.sfmta.com/taxi/directory.

SFMTA's pre-existing Shop-a-Round program that offers registered seniors and people with disabilities personalized assistance and rides to and from grocery stores and farmers markets is still available and will continue post public health order. For more information, visit https://www.sfmta.com/shop-round.

<u>Upcoming Event</u>

San Francisco Giants Baseball Game

Thursday, April 22 through Wednesday, April 28: The San Francisco Giants will play seven home games at the ballpark. Listed below are start times for these games:

- Four games against the Miami Marlins: 1) 6:45 p.m., Thursday, April 22; 2) 6:45 p.m., Friday, April 23; 3) 6:05 p.m., Saturday, April 24; and 4) 1:05 p.m., Sunday, April 25.
- Three games against the Colorado Rockies: 1) 6:45 p.m., Monday, April 26; 2) 6:45 p.m., Tuesday, April 27; and 3) 6:45 p.m., Wednesday, April 28.

Based on current tier during the COVID pandemic, maximum capacity of 8,500 inside the stadium will be allowed and testing prior to entry is required. Eastbound King Street between 3rd and 2nd streets will be closed two and a half hours before the start of each home game to facilitate safe and health measures. Transit and Muni N buses will be rerouted.

For additional details and about transportation to ballpark, visit www.sfmta.com/oracle-park. For more event details, visit http://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!

For more information on Muni service, please call the San Francisco Customer Service Center at 311 or visit www.sfmta.com. For additional information on Muni's Accessible Services Program, please call (415) 701-4485 or TTY (415) 701-4730.



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