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# \*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\* SFMTA Weekend Transit and Traffic Advisory for Weekend of Saturday, August 28, 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**, **Aug. 27 through next Thursday**, **Sept. 2**, **2021**.

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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 and while riding transit. 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. Under guidelines issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, taxi drivers are required to wear a face covering while transporting passengers. For more information, please visit <u>sfmta.com/COVID</u>.

## **Concert at the Ballpark**

**Friday, Aug. 27**: The rock band Green Day for the <u>Hella Mega Tour</u> will take place at the ballpark. The concert will start at 5:30 p.m. and will end at approximately 11 p.m.

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# Concert at the Ballpark continued

#### Street Closures

To accommodate the event, the following street closures will be enforced:

- Beginning at around 9 p.m., the SFMTA will close eastbound King Street between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> streets to vehicle traffic in order to reduce congestion on city streets.
- Additionally, the northbound portion of the 4<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge (Peter R. Maloney Bridge) will be closed to all traffic except Muni, taxis and bicycles during the post-concert period.
- Southbound 2<sup>nd</sup> Street at Townsend Street will be temporary closed when concert ends, only Taxis and emergency vehicles will be allowed through the closure.

#### Taxi Stands

- 2nd Street, west side, between Brannan and King Streets
- 2nd Street, east side, between Townsend and King Streets
- 3rd Street, east side, north of King Street

#### Special Event Parking Rates

During baseball games and other major events with more than 10,000 expected attendees at the Oracle Park, **parking meters close to the ballpark will charge a special event rate of \$8 per hour.** These rates will help to reduce congestion and keep parking spots available in the neighborhoods near the ballpark, discouraging circling for free or cheap parking. Start times for special event rates vary based on the start time of the event. More information on special event parking regulations can be found on www.sfmta.com/special-event-parking.

For additional details and about transportation to ballpark, visit <a href="www.sfmta.com/oracle-park">www.sfmta.com/oracle-park</a>. For more event details, visit <a href="http://sanfrancisco.giants.mlb.com">http://sanfrancisco.giants.mlb.com</a>.

#### **Compton's Cafeteria Celebration**

**Sunday, Aug. 29:** The Compton's Cafeteria Celebration will take place in the Tenderloin District. The event will take place from noon to 5 p.m.

A street closure of Taylor Street between Turk and Eddy streets will be in effect from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m., Sunday.

Both pedestrian and vehicular traffic in and around the event area will be heavy. Please allow extra travel time and use extra caution. There will be no impact on Muni service.



#### San Francisco Giants Baseball Game

**Monday, Aug. 30 through Thursday, Sept. 2**: The San Francisco Giants will play four home games at the ballpark. Listed below are start times for these games:

• Four games against the Milwaukee Brewers: 1) 6:45 p.m., Monday, Aug. 30; 2) 6:45 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 31; 3) 6:45 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 1; and 4) 12:45 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 2.

#### **Street Closures**

To accommodate events that will take place at the ballpark, the following street closures will be enforced:

- Two and a half hours before the opening pitch, the SFMTA will close eastbound King Street between 3rd and 2nd streets to vehicle traffic. King Street will reopen after first pitch until the seventh inning.
- From the seventh inning until post-game traffic dies down, the SFMTA will again close eastbound King Street between 3rd and 2nd streets to vehicle traffic in order to reduce congestion on city streets.
- Additionally, the northbound portion of the 4th Street Bridge (Peter R. Maloney Bridge) will be closed to all traffic except Muni, taxis and bicycles during the post-game period.

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#### **CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES**

## **UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project**

**On Friday, Aug. 27**, between the hours of 8 p.m. and 7 a.m., Saturday, crews are scheduled to work on traffic improvements, remaining overhead power installations, traffic signal wiring and hardware installations, light pole setting, and related work at the following locations:

- Van Ness between Golden Gate Avenue and McAllister Street
- Van Ness between McAllister and Grove 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 <a href="https://www.sfmta.com/vanness">www.sfmta.com/vanness</a>.

## **UPDATE: Muni's COVID-19 Core Service Network**

Some Muni routes have been modified as a result of COVID-19 pandemic restrictions and the city's former health order. On Saturday, Aug. 14, the SFMTA implemented another round of COVID-19 Core Service changes, with 18 routes being restored, expanded or modified. Services hours were also extended on select bus routes, visit the <u>Service Changes</u> webpage for details. Muni's transit system is expected to normalize in 2022. For details on Muni's current routes and service, visit individual route webpages or the <u>Muni Core Service Plan</u>. For more information about Muni Metro rail service and Metro bus substitution, visit the <u>Rail Recovery</u> webpage.

#### **Current Muni Service:**

**The following Muni routes run from 5 a.m. to midnight daily:** 1 California, 5 Fulton, 8 Bayshore, 9 San Bruno, 14 Mission, 22 Fillmore, 24 Divisadero, 25 Treasure Island, 28 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 29 Sunset, 30 Stockton, 38 Geary, 43 Masonic, 44 O'Shaughnessy, 48 Quintara/24th Street and 49 Van Ness.



## CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES continued

<u>UPDATE: Muni's COVID-19 Core Service Network continued</u>

Until further notice, Muni buses will continue to serve the L Taraval Metro line.

- Core Routes in Service: F Market & Wharves (Fisherman's Wharf and Castro & Market streets); J Church (Balboa Park to Church & Duboce streets); KT Ingleside-Third; M Ocean View; N Judah (Ocean Beach to 4th and King streets); L Taraval Bus (all buses) (SF Zoo to Embarcadero); 1 California; 5 Fulton; 5R Fulton Rapid; 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; 18 46th Avenue; 19 Polk; 22 Fillmore; 23 Monterey (modified route); 24 Divisadero; 25 Treasure Island; 27 Bryant (modified route); 28 19th Avenue; 29 Sunset; 30 Stockton; 31 Balboa; 33 Ashbury-18th Street; 35 Eureka; 36 Teresita; 37 Corbett (Twin Peaks and Van Ness & Market Street); 38 Geary; 38R Geary Rapid; 39 Coit; 43 Masonic (Geary Boulevard to Crocker Amazon); 44 O'Shaughnessy; 45 Union-Stockton; 48 Quintara/24th Street (modified route); 49 Van Ness/Mission (extended from North Point to Powell and Beach); 52 Excelsior; 54 Felton (Daly City BART to Hunters Point); 55 Dogpatch; 56 Rutland; 57 Parkmerced (modified route); 58 Lake Merced (NEW); 66 Quintara (modified route) and 67 Bernal Heights.
- Daily Owl service starts at midnight, except for the L Owl which begins service at 10 p.m.
- The following routes are running 24 hours a day or providing special Owl Service: L Owl; N Owl; 5 Fulton; 14 Mission; 22 Fillmore; 24 Divisadero; 25 Treasure Island; 38 Geary; 44 O'Shaughnessy; 48 Quintara/24th Street; 90 San Bruno Owl; 91 3rd Street/19th Avenue Owl.

### **UPDATE: 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**

## 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 19<sup>th</sup> 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.

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 19<sup>th</sup> 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 last October. **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: 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. Riders may receive additional value up to \$120 of taxi service per month per customer upon request.

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 <a href="https://www.sfmta.com/etc">https://www.sfmta.com/etc</a> for additional details and for a list of San Francisco taxi companies, visit <a href="https://www.sfmta.com/taxi/directory">https://www.sfmta.com/taxi/directory</a>.

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 <a href="https://www.sfmta.com/shop-round">https://www.sfmta.com/shop-round</a>.

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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 <a href="www.sfmta.com">www.sfmta.com</a>. For additional information on Muni's Accessible Services Program, please call (415) 701-4485 or TTY (415) 701-4730.