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** PRESS RELEASE **

SFMTA Weekend Transit and Traffic Advisory For Saturday, March 9, 2019

San Francisco—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) releases the following upcoming event-related traffic and transit impacts for this weekend, from Friday, March 8 through Sunday, March 10, 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.

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

Start of Daylight Saving Time

Sunday, March 10: Daylight Saving Time will commence at 2 a.m., requiring clocks to be set forward one hour.

All Muni service will continue to operate on standard time through the end of Owl service*. Muni schedules will adjust to daylight saving time with the start of regular service on Sunday.

Note: *In conjunction with regular bus service, the SFMTA also provides late night service (1 to 5 a.m.) on certain bus routes. For more details of owl service and routes, visit <https://www.sfmta.com/getting-around/muni/routes-stops/muni-owl-service-late-night-transportation>.

Sunday Streets: The Mission District

Sunday, March 10: The 2019 season of [Sunday Streets](#) will begin in the Mission District. The event will take place on Valencia Street between Duboce Avenue and 26th street. The route



will open the roadway to people walking, bicycling and other recreational activities from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. For further event details, visit: [Sunday Streets Mission](#).

Beginning at 8 a.m., NO PARKING will be allowed on Valencia Street between Duboce Avenue and 26 Street.

From 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Valencia Street between Duboce Avenue and 26th Street will be closed to all vehicular traffic.

Cross traffic at Valencia Street will be allowed on:

- 14th Street
- 16th Street
- 18th Street
- 24th Street
- 26th Street
- Duboce Avenue

The following Muni routes will be affected: **12 Folsom/Pacific; 27 Bryant; and 55 16th Street.**

CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES

UPDATE: Central Subway Project

Utility trenching and upgrade work will resume at 4th and Brannan intersection. This work is scheduled to occur during weekends, from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. At 4th and Howard streets, utility upgrade work is ongoing, Monday through Friday, overnight from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Westbound traffic on Howard Street may be impacted. In Chinatown, the sidewalk on the west side of Stockton, south of Washington, adjacent to the worksite will be temporarily closed in the coming days to facilitate utility upgrade work. 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>.

UPDATE: Geary Rapid Project

The first phase of construction as part of the [Geary Rapid Project](#) has begun. Work to replace aging water and sewer lines between Masonic and Van Ness avenues is being done in coordination with San Francisco Public Utilities Commission.

The following construction forecast is subject to change due to weather delays or unexpected field conditions.



Weekend work from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.:

- The eastbound Geary frontage road from Presidio Avenue to Lyon Street will be closed on Saturday, March 9 and Sunday, March 10 while crews work on sewer main replacement.
- Eastbound traffic will be slightly detoured, and parking will be restricted on the south side of Geary Boulevard between Presidio Avenue and Lyon Street.
- No bus stops will be affected. Inbound 38/38R Geary buses will be slightly rerouted, which will add some travel time.

Questions or concerns? Contact us at GearyRapid@SFMTA.com or 415.646.2300.

UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project

On Friday, March 8, between the hours of 8 p.m. and 7 a.m., crews are scheduled to work on street light conduits and on water main installation at the following locations:

- Van Ness at Sacramento Street
- Van Ness at Sutter Street
- Van Ness at McAllister 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.

UPDATE: 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. For more information visit www.SFMTA.com/MissionBayPlatform.

To facilitate rail construction work that will begin on **Saturday, March 9 and will continue through Tuesday, March 19, there will be closure and Muni bus re-route:**

- 16th Street cross 3rd Street will be closed to east/west car and pedestrian traffic.
- The Muni route 55 16th Street will be re-routed to 4th Street.



Buses are providing T Third service from Tuesday, January 22 through March 2019 in order to accommodate the next phase 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.

E Embarcadero and 83X Mid-Market Express are temporarily canceled since Tuesday, January 22 and continuing through March. Alternative routes include 47 Van Ness for the 83X and the N Judah and F Market & Wharves for the E.

ONGOING: Muni Metro Elevator Safety Modernization Project

Since Monday, January 21 and continuing for about ten weeks, the inbound platform elevator at Church Station has been out of service for about ten weeks while the SFMTA has been working on upgrading the unit.

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

- **Take an inbound train for L Taraval, M Ocean View , K Ingleside/T Third Streets lines or S Shuttle** - 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** – Customers 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 routes or lines:**
 - 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.

Upon completion of this upgrade work at Church Station, the SFMTA will begin working on elevators at Castro and Forest Hill stations. The entire upgrade project is expected to take about four years to complete.

ONGOING: 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 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>.

Upcoming Events

Irish Bank St. Patrick's Day Parade Block Party

Saturday, March 16 and Sunday, March 17: The annual Irish Bank St Patrick's Day Parade Block Party will take place from approximately noon until midnight each day. For more details, visit <http://www.theirishbank.com/news/>.

St. Patrick's Day Parade

Saturday, March 16: The annual St. Patrick's Day Parade will be held on Market Street. For more event details, visit <http://www.uissf.org/>.

SFMTA Sales Kiosks Operation Hours

Saturday, March 23: SFMTA sales kiosks will begin spring and summer operation hours with the following schedule:

Powell and Market streets

- 7:45 a.m. to 8:45 p.m. (seven days a week, including holidays)

Hyde and Beach streets

- 7:45 a.m. to 8:45 p.m. (seven days a week, including holidays)

Bay and Taylor streets

- 7:45 a.m. to 8:45 p.m. (seven days a week, including holidays)

Presidio Avenue and Geary Street



- 9:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. (seven days a week, closed on holidays)

San Francisco Giants Baseball Game

Monday, March 25 and Tuesday, March 26: The San Francisco Giants will play their pre-season games against the Oakland Athletics at Oracle Park. Both games will start at 6:45 p.m. each night, Monday, March 25 and Tuesday, March 26, 2019. The first regular season home game this year at AT&T Park will begin on Friday, April 5 when the San Francisco Giants will play against the Tampa Bay Rays. For more event details, visit <http://sanfrancisco.giants.mlb.com>.

For details about transportation to Oracle Park, including connections from Bay Area transit system to Muni, visit <https://www.sfmta.com/places/oracle-park>.

Sunday Streets: Excelsior

Sunday, March 31: The second Sunday Streets event of the season will be held in the Excelsior District. The route includes the bustling outer Mission merchant corridor from Theresa Street and Avalon to Geneva Avenue. The route will open the roadway to people walking, bicycling and other recreational activities from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday Streets is free and open to the public. For further event details, visit: <http://www.sundaystreetsf.com/sunday-streets-2019/ex033119/>.

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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.

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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