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### **\*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\***

## **SFMTA Transit and Traffic Advisory for Thursday, Aug. 1, through Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2024**

**San Francisco**—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) releases the following upcoming event-related traffic and transit impacts for this week from Thursday, Aug. 1 through Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2024.

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### **Downtown First Thursdays**

**Thursday, Aug. 1:** The Downtown First Thursdays (DFT) event will take place on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street from 5 to 10 p.m. This is a recurring event and returns every month through April 3, 2025. For event details, visit <https://www.dftsf.com/>.

#### **The following street closures will be required from noon until midnight, Thursday:**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Street between Market and Folsom streets
- Clementina Street between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> streets
- Jessie Street between New Montgomery and 2<sup>nd</sup> streets
- Minna Street between New Montgomery and 1<sup>st</sup> streets
- Natoma Street between New Montgomery and 1<sup>st</sup> streets
- Stevenson Street between New Montgomery and 1<sup>st</sup> streets
- Tehama Street between Hawthorne and 1<sup>st</sup> streets

**These intersections will remain open at all times: 1)** 2<sup>nd</sup> and Mission streets; **2)** 2<sup>nd</sup> and Howard streets.

**There will be no impact on Muni service.**

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## **Events at Chase Center**

**Friday, Aug. 2 to Monday, Aug. 5:** There will be multiple events to take place at Chase Center:

- **Friday, Aug. 2:** Performance by [Olivia Rodrigo](#) will start at 7:30 p.m. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m.
- **Saturday, Aug. 3:** Performance by [Olivia Rodrigo](#) will start at 7:30 p.m. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m.
- **Monday, Aug. 5:** Performance by [Jhené Aiko](#) will start at 7 p.m. Doors will open at 6 p.m.

### ***Supplemental Muni Service***

- Muni will operate supplemental **78X Arena Express** service.
- **Pre-event express shuttle service** from 16<sup>th</sup> Street BART Station to Chase Center will start two and a half hours before each game/event and will end one hour after game/event starts.
- **Post-event express shuttle service** from Chase Center on 16<sup>th</sup> Street to 16<sup>th</sup> Street BART Station will run until the area clears.

### ***Special Event Parking Rates***

During basketball games and other major events with more than 10,000 expected attendees at the arena, **parking meters close to the arena will charge a special event rate of \$11 per hour**. These rates help reduce congestion and keep parking spots available in the neighborhoods near the arena, 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](http://www.sfmta.com/special-event-parking).

### ***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:

- 16<sup>th</sup> Street between 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Warriors Way between 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Northbound 3<sup>rd</sup> Street between 16<sup>th</sup> Street and Warriors Way will also be closed approximately 30 minutes before and 45 minutes after an event.
- Only local access will be allowed on Northbound Illinois Street between Mariposa and 16<sup>th</sup> streets.

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### Events at Chase Center *continued*

#### **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:

- 16<sup>th</sup> Street between 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Warriors Way between 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Between the 500 and 700 blocks of Terry Francois Boulevard (TFB)

#### **Taxi Stands**

There is one taxi stand located on southbound Terry Francois Boulevard.

Ramp Taxis should use the loading zone on eastbound Warriors Way at Bridgeview Way.

#### **Additional Passenger Loading**

- 4<sup>th</sup> Street which connects to Chase Center via Gene Friend Way pedestrian path which cuts through UCSF campus.
- Owens Street connects to Chase Center via Gene Friend Way pedestrian path which cuts through UCSF campus.

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

For additional details and about transportation to ballpark, visit [www.sfmta.com/chase-center](https://www.sfmta.com/chase-center).

### **Nihonmachi Street Fair**

**Saturday, Aug. 3 and Sunday, Aug. 4:** The annual Nihonmachi Street Fair will take place in and around Japan town from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day.

For more event information, please visit [www.nhonmachistreetfair.org](https://www.nhonmachistreetfair.org).

**The following street closure will be required from 5 a.m., Saturday to 9 p.m., Sunday:**

- Post Street between Fillmore and Laguna streets
- Webster Street between Sutter Street and Geary Boulevard
- Intersections closed: Post Street at Webster Street

**There will be no impact on Muni service.**

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### **Street Closure for Shared Spaces**

**Saturday, Aug. 3: A street closure of Larkin Street between Eddy and O'Farrell streets will be required from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. for shared spaces.**

**The 19 Polk Muni route will be affected.**

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

#### **UPDATE: L Taraval Improvement Project—Segment B**

The L Taraval Improvement Project is a multi-agency collaboration to improve safety, accessibility, and transit reliability, and to rehabilitate aging rails, utility lines and roadway pavement along the L Taraval line between Sunset Boulevard and 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue and on Ulloa Street near West Portal.

The L Taraval Improvement Project is on track to be completed this fall. The most disruptive work to replace sewer, water, rail lines, streetbase and repaving the entire corridor has been completed.

We are completing installation of boarding islands with railing and pavers, and adding landscaping, artwork and safety features such as high-visibility crosswalks. The traffic lights are complete and started three color operation at 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> avenues.

Work to perform Overhead Contact System (OCS) adjustments at curved track areas at the following locations (Work is expected to be completed on Thursday, Aug. 1):

- **Ulloa Street between 15<sup>th</sup> and Forest Side avenues**
- **Taraval Street between 15<sup>th</sup> and 36<sup>th</sup> avenues**

To ensure the safety of the public, a permit is required for any contractors that are planning to work within 10 feet of the overhead wires. Please reach out to the project team with any questions: [LTaravalProject@SFMTA.com](mailto:LTaravalProject@SFMTA.com) or 415.646.2379.

**Construction work is being performed at the following locations:**

#### **Taraval Street**

- 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup>, 32<sup>nd</sup>, 33<sup>rd</sup>, 36<sup>th</sup> avenues: Install and paint guard rails, pavers and landscaping in planters in boarding islands
- 19<sup>th</sup> to 36<sup>th</sup> avenues: Removal of trees and stump grinding and tree planting

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## CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES *continued*

### UPDATE: L Taraval Improvement Project—Segment B *continued*

#### **Ulloa**

- Forest side to 15<sup>th</sup> avenues: Tree planting

#### **Operational Train Testing is planned to be performed between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.**

- From Thursday, Aug. 1 through Wednesday, Aug. 14

#### **The following L Taraval bus stops are being relocated temporarily during construction:**

- **L Taraval Bus / L Special / L Owl (Present to Fall 2024)**
  - Inbound
    - From Taraval Street and 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue to the southeast side of the intersection

For additional project details, visit [SFMTA.com/LTaravalProject](https://www.sfmta.com/LTaravalProject). For construction updates from Monday, July 29 through Saturday, Aug. 10, 2024, visit the [Project Update](#) page.

## **UPCOMING**

### **NEW: Improved Muni service begins on Saturday, August 17**

**Starting Saturday, August 17**, the SFMTA will make [changes on some Muni routes](#) to:

- **Improve reliability**
- **Address crowding**
- **Respond to rider and operator feedback**
- **Relieving crowding in advance of the school year**

In recent months, some of the busiest routes were so crowded that they were too full to accept more riders. This forced Muni buses to pass up waiting riders – especially during morning commute times. To avoid pass-ups, the SFMTA will make a few changes as the school year approaches, including:

- [48 Quintara-24th Street](#) and [28R 19th Avenue Rapid](#): More buses in the morning.
- [9 San Bruno](#): More room for riders on weekends.
- [1 California](#): New schedule to reduce crowding on the route's busiest stretch.
- **Making trips safer and more reliable through planned transit and safety projects**
  - The SFMTA is also making changes that will complete transit and safety projects and changing some stops and routes to enhance traffic safety, decrease travel times and improve reliability.

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## UPCOMING *continued*

NEW: Improved Muni service begins on Saturday, August 17 *continued*

For additional service details and impacted routes, visit our [latest service changes blog](https://www.sfmta.com/ServiceChanges) ([SFMTA.com/ServiceChanges](https://www.sfmta.com/ServiceChanges)).

## **ONGOING**

### **Masks Recommended**

Masks are no longer required, but are encouraged in any SFMTA facilities, transit hubs or on vehicles including Muni buses, streetcars, light rail vehicles or cable cars or in taxis or on paratransit.

### **ONGOING: Essential Trip Card Discount Program**

The SFMTA's program, [Essential Trip Card](#) (ETC) Program, assists people with disabilities and older adults to make essential trips using taxis. 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. If essential needs require it, riders may receive additional value up to \$120 of taxi service per month.

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 the Paratransit Mobility Management office at 415-351-7053. Staff are available weekdays between 9 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. 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 Shop-a-Round program which offers registered seniors and people with disabilities personalized assistance and rides to and from grocery stores and farmers markets is available as well. For more information, visit <https://www.sfmta.com/shop-round>.

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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](http://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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