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# \*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\* SFMTA Weekend Transit and Traffic Advisory for Weekend of Saturday, Jan. 23, 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**, **Jan. 22 through Sunday**, **Jan. 24**, **2021**.

For real-time updates, follow us on <u>https://twitter.com/sfmta\_muni</u> or visit <u>SFMTA.com/EmailText</u> 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.

#### Muni Service During the COVID-19 Shelter-In-Place Order

**On Saturday, January 23,** the T Third will resume rail services between Sunnydale and Embarcadero stations. Rail changes will allow Muni to extend routes, increase frequencies and resume service:

- The 27 Bryant route will resume service.
- There will be two new Muni routes to begin service: 55 Dogpatch and 15 Bayview-Hunters Point Express.
- The 33 Ashbury-18th Street will return to serve the full route as another cross-town connection.

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

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

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

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); 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); T Third Bus (Sunnydale to Castro); 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; 19 Polk; 22 Fillmore; 24 Divisadero; 25 Treasure Island; 28 19th Avenue (Daly City BART to California Street & 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue); 29 Sunset; 30 Stockton; 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); 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.

## <u>Walk for Life</u>

**Saturday, Jan. 23:** The Annual Walk for Life will return to San Francisco. Due to the Public Health order, there will be no rally and only a reduced version of the march will go forward at 12:30 p.m. from Civic Center Plaza, down Market Street and is anticipated to complete by 13:30 p.m. at The Embarcadero Plaza. For event details, visit <u>www.walkforlifewc.com</u>.

The eastbound curb lane of Market Street is anticipated to be closed for the march. The San Francisco Police Department may close both eastbound lanes for security reason if situation requires. Cross traffic will be permitted across Market Street, but may be momentarily delayed when the march is passing intersections.



#### Walk for Life continued

The following Muni lines and routes may experience minor delays during the event: 1 California; 5 Fulton; 7 Haight/Noriega; 8 Bayshore; 9 San Bruno; 12 Folsom/Pacific; 14 Mission; 14R Mission Rapid; 15X Third St 19 Polk; 27 Bryant; 30 Stockton; 38 Geary; 38R Geary Rapid; and 45 Union/Stockton.

#### CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES

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

**Friday, Jan. 22, between the hours of 8 p.m. and 7 a.m.**: Crews are scheduled to work on traffic improvements, remaining sewer work, overhead power installations, light pole setting and related work **at the following locations**:

- Van Ness between Jackson Street and Pacific Avenue
- Van Ness between Washington and Jackson streets
- Van Ness between Clay and Washington streets
- Van Ness between Sacramento and Clay streets
- Van Ness between California and Sacramento streets
- Van Ness between Pine and California streets
- Van Ness between Bush and Pine streets
- Van Ness between Sutter and Bush streets
- Van Ness between McAllister Street and Golden Gate Avenue
- Van Ness between Grove and McAllister streets
- Van Ness between Hayes and Grove streets
- Van Ness between Fell and Hayes streets
- Van Ness between Market and Fell streets
- Van Ness between Mission and Market 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 <u>SFMTA.com/VanNess</u>.



#### CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES continued

#### **UPDATE: Track Maintenance Work at Judah Street and 25th Avenue**

As part of the overall Muni rail maintenance project to improve the safety and reliability of the N Judah service once the trains start running again, Muni will resume construction work after temporary suspension due to COVID-19 emergency in March 2020.

**Starting on Monday, Jan. 11 and continuing for about three weeks,** SFMTA crews will resume track maintenance work on Judah Street and 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Work is planned from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Weekend work may occur if needed.

During construction:

- Judah Street will remain open.
- Vehicular traffic headed north or south along 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue will be required to turn right at Judah Street
- Neighbors can expect some noise during demolition.
- Two parking spaces on each side of 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue, south of the intersection, will be unavailable throughout construction.
- Parking restrictions during work hours only apply to two or three parking spaces on each corner of the intersection. "No Parking" signs will be posted for exact locations.
- Crosswalks and sidewalks may be occasionally closed with detours provided.

## UPDATE: L Taraval Improvement Project

Starting Friday, Jan. 22, track replacement work will start on Taraval Street between 40<sup>th</sup> and 41<sup>st</sup> avenues. For track replacement work, traffic will be detoured at the intersections of 40<sup>th</sup> and 41<sup>st</sup> avenues at all times of the day until track replacement work along these segments are complete. During active construction hours, parking on both sides of the blocks will be temporarily restricted to give the crew the safety clearance they need to demo and replace the aged tracks in the center of the road and allow eastbound/westbound vehicular traffic. Parking will be returned at the end of each work day along the impacted blocks.

**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. For project details, visit <u>SFMTA.com/LTaraval Project</u>.



#### <u>ONGOING</u>

#### 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 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: Eureka Curve Tunnel Work**

**Since Monday, Nov. 30**, construction crews have begun maintenance work inside the Twin Peaks Tunnel. Most materials and equipment will enter the tunnel at the Eureka Curve, the area on Market Street between Diamond and Collingwood streets. For more project details, visit <u>SFMTA.com/EurekaCurve</u>.



#### ONGOING: Eureka Curve Tunnel Work continued

Construction work is scheduled between 7:30 a.m. and 8 p.m., Monday to Saturday. Work hours are subject to change based on construction needs. Work will be limited to within tunnel area, no night work will be performed in the public right of way. It is anticipated the project will last for about three months.

While crews are working in the construction zone, there will be temporary changes in the area:

- One-lane street closure in each direction on Market Street between Diamond and Castro streets.
- Parking will be temporarily restricted on Market Street between Diamond and Castro streets.
- No access to Market Street from Collingwood Street. Local access will only be allowed from 18<sup>th</sup> Street.
- Material and equipment staging will be on both sides of Market Street between Diamond and Collingwood streets.
- Heavy equipment will enter through West Portal Station tunnel most morning for about an hour. There will be no parking impacts or traffic lane changes near West Portal Station area.

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

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 <u>https://www.sfmta.com/shop-round</u>.

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

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