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****PRESS RELEASE****

**SFMTA Weekend Transit and Traffic Advisory for
Weekend of Saturday, July 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, July 16 through Sunday, July 18, 2021**.

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

For details of Muni re-routes, visit [SFMTA.com/Updates](https://sfmta.com/Updates). 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](https://sfmta.com/moving-sf) for [daily](https://sfmta.com/daily) or [weekly](https://sfmta.com/weekly) updates.

Federal Law Requires Face Masks on Muni

To help stop the spread of COVID-19, [federal law requires wearing a mask](https://sfmta.com/federal-law-requires-wearing-a-mask) 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 sfmta.com/COVID.

Street Closure in Chinatown

On Saturday, July 17, a street closure of Pacific Avenue between Grant Avenue and Stockton Street will be required for the Ping Yuen Peaceful Gardens block party. The street will be closed between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m., Saturday, July 17.

During the street closure, the 12 Folsom/Pacific Muni route will be impacted.

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CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES

UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project

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

- Van Ness between Clay and Sacramento streets
- Van Ness between Sacramento and California streets
- Van Ness between California and Pine streets
- Van Ness between Pine and Bush streets
- Van Ness between Bush and Sutter streets
- Van Ness between Sutter and Post 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 www.sfmta.com/van-ness.

UPDATE: Shared Spaces Program

The city's multi-agency [Shared Spaces](#) 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 SFMTA.com/SharedSpaces.

Folsom Shared Space

The Sunday closures for shared spaces on Folsom Street between 7th and 8th streets will require a Muni re-route of the 27 Bryant during the closure hours:

- Sunday, July 18, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Sunday, July 25, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Sunday, Aug. 1, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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ONGOING

ONGOING: Muni's COVID-19 Core Route Service

Some Muni routes have been modified as a result of COVID-19 pandemic restrictions and the city's former health order. **The SFMTA plans to make the last of the COVID-19 Core Service changes in August and will begin to normalize the Muni transit system in the winter.** For details on Muni's current routes and service, visit individual route webpages or the [Muni Core Service Plan](#).

For more information about Muni Metro rail service, visit the [Rail Recovery](#) webpage. For more information about bus substitution for Muni rail lines, visit [Muni's Bus Substitution for All Rail Lines](#). For information about the latest service changes, read our [service changes update](#).

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

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 [Muni Core Service Plan](#).

- **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; N Judah (Ocean Beach to 4th and King streets); L Taraval Bus (all buses) (SF Zoo to Embarcadero); 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); 29 Sunset; 30 Stockton; 33 Ashbury-18th Street; 36/52 Special; 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.**

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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.

As part of the [19th Avenue Combined City Project](#), 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, 2020. **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 sfmta.com/28Rapid. For overall project information, visit sfpublicworks.org/19th-Avenue.

ONGOING: L Taraval Improvement Project

With community support and collaboration from city partners, the SFMTA has successfully completed Segment A of the L Taraval Improvement Project, on schedule and within budget. For project details, visit SFMTA.com/LTaraval Project.

- **Staging area demobilized to fully open on Lower Great Highway:** Crews have cleaned and demobilized the staging area between Taraval and Ulloa streets. The northbound lane on Lower Great Highway is fully open to vehicular traffic the week of July 5.

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ONGOING: L Taraval Improvement Project *continued*

- **L Bus serves regular stops:** The L bus continues to serve the regular stops between Embarcadero and the SF Zoo. Since mid-May, all subway stations have reopened for the N Judah and KT Ingleside Third train service. The L customers now have an option of transferring between L bus and KT train at West Portal station. As the L bus is not serving Forest Hill Station anymore, customers can transfer to 44 O'Shaughnessy to access that station.

While celebrating the completion of Segment A, we are gearing up for Segment B that will make the same improvements from Sunset Boulevard to West Portal. Construction is anticipated to start in early 2022 through the end of 2024.

ONGOING: Essential Trip Card Discount Program

The SFMTA's temporary special program, [Essential Trip Card](#) (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 <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>.

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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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