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****PRESS RELEASE****

SFMTA Weekend Transit and Traffic Advisory

San Francisco—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) releases the following upcoming event-related traffic and transit impacts for this weekend, Friday, December 1 through Monday, December 4, 2017. Anyone traveling in San Francisco can check www.sfmta.com or call 311 to find out which of the 83 Muni lines will get them where they want to go. **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.**

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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.

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CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES

NEW: 181 Fremont Street Construction Project

Friday, December 1 through Monday, December 4: Contractor will conduct construction work for a new development at 181 Fremont Street.

A street closure of Fremont Street between Howard and Mission streets will be required from 10 p.m., Friday to 4:30 a.m., Monday. Traffic will be detoured in the surrounding areas. Motorists are advised to allow extra travel time.

There will be no impact on Muni service.

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Holiday Moratorium / Winter Walk SF

Now through Monday, January 1, 2018: The two blocks of Stockton Street will be open for winter merriment with food vendors, live performances, appearances by the Macy's SPCA window puppies, and other wintry surprises.

For more details of Winter Walk SF, visit <http://www.visitunionsquaresf.com/winterwalksf>.

Central Subway daytime construction has been adjusted on Stockton Street in Union Square. Stockton Street between Ellis and Geary streets is open to pedestrians, but remains closed to vehicles. Union Square businesses remain open.

The Central Subway Project will construct a modern, efficient light-rail line that will improve public transportation in San Francisco. This new 1.7-mile extension of Muni's T Third Line will provide direct connections to major retail, sporting and cultural venues while efficiently transporting people to jobs, educational opportunities and other amenities throughout the city. With stops in South of Market (SoMa), Yerba Buena, Union Square and Chinatown, the Central Subway will vastly improve transit options for the residents of one of the most densely populated neighborhoods in the country, provide a rapid transit link to a burgeoning technology and digital-media hub, and improve access to a premier commercial district and tourist attraction.

Construction work will recommence in January 2018.

UPDATE: Fuel Tank Replacement at Muni Kirkland Bus Yard

Monday, December 4: The southern sidewalk on Beach Street will be reopen, the streetcar stop at Beach Street, west of Stockton Street, will resume serving the E Embarcadero and F Market Wharves lines.

Since May SFMTA crews have been working to replace two underground fuel tanks at Muni's Kirkland Bus Yard in Fisherman's Wharf. The work required the closure of sidewalk and relocation of the streetcar stop. This replacement project will bring the tanks up to code, improve safety and make fueling faster and more efficient. The overall construction is expected to be completed by the end of this year.

For project details, visit sfmta.com/kirklandtanks.

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UPDATE: Potrero Avenue Repaving Project

Saturday, December 2 and Next Saturday, December 9: Contractors from San Francisco Public Works will continue repaving work on Potrero Avenue between 17th and Alameda streets.

As part of the project, sewer pipes will be replaced at several intersections and overhead line infrastructure will be replaced along the corridor.

The goal of the Potrero Avenue Roadway Improvement Project is to replace aging infrastructure and to improve safety for people walking, biking, and to help beautify Potrero Avenue. This project will also revitalize public space adjacent to the San Francisco General Hospital with pedestrian safety improvement work such as sidewalk widening, new landscaping and new street lights.

This Saturday, crews will conduct repaving work on Potrero Avenue roadway between 17th and Alameda streets including the intersection.

Muni customers should expect service delays on Muni route 9 San Bruno during construction.

Crews will pave one block per day with work hours from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project

The Van Ness Improvement Project is a civic improvement project that will bring San Francisco's first Bus Rapid Transit system. To maximize the benefits of construction, the City will also be replacing major utilities including water, sewer and emergency firefighting water systems. Work will also be done to repave Van Ness Avenue, enhance streetlights and landscaping, and install new sidewalk lighting and rain gardens.

Traffic lanes on Van Ness Avenue have been shifted to create two construction zones for upcoming utility work. Because some of this work requires reducing Van Ness Avenue to one lane in each direction, some work is limited to nighttime hours. Neighbors will be notified of night noise 72-hours in advance of night work.

Sunday, December 3 through Monday, December 4: From 9 p.m., Sunday to 5 a.m., Monday, crews will work on the emergency firefighting system on Van Ness Avenue: between Vallejo and Union streets.

For more project details and the latest construction updates, please visit sfmta.com/vanness.

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ONGOING: M Ocean View Construction

The M Ocean View Improvement Project will repair vital transit infrastructure and improve safety for people who walk and use Muni on 19th Avenue. The improvements include building a new pedestrian island crossing on 19th Avenue at Junipero Serra Boulevard, installing vehicle safety measures at the trackway entrances, and upgrading traffic signals.

The M Ocean View will provide regular train service.

During construction work at various times on weekdays and weekends, there will be lane closures on both 19th Avenue and Junipero Serra Boulevard. Motorists traveling around the construction area should allow extra travel time.

For details and updates of project, visit [M Ocean View Improvements \(19th Avenue / Junipero Serra and Rossmoor Drive\)](#).

ONGOING: Central Subway Project

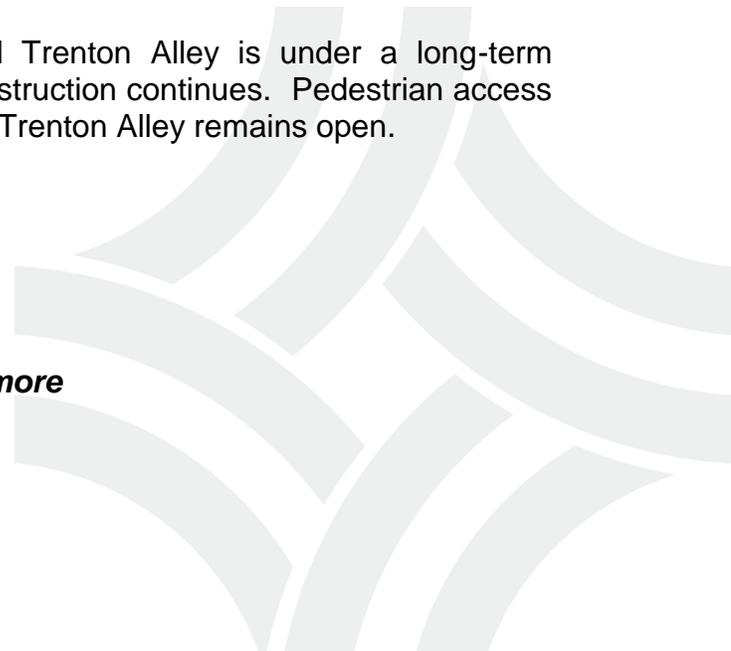
Water line replacement, roadway restoration and track work are underway on 4th Street between Bryant and King streets. Until further notice, traffic reroutes will remain in effect and night work to upgrade a water line will occur at the intersections of 4th Street at Bryant and Brannan streets between 8 p.m. and 5 a.m.

Sewer and water supply infrastructure replacement work continues at 4th and Folsom streets, Monday through Friday, from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. During these work hours southbound 4th Street will be reduced to one lane and eastbound Folsom Street will be reduced to two lanes. Sewer replacement work continues at night at 4th and Howard streets. Work hours are from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. Two through lanes are in place southbound 4th Street. Westbound traffic on Howard Street will be impacted.

One lane of Ellis Street is open at all times. Vehicular traffic on Ellis Street has been switched to the south side of Ellis Street. Utility and street restoration work is continuing on the north side of the intersection of Ellis and Stockton streets.

Washington Street between Stockton Street and Trenton Alley is under a long-term temporary closure to vehicular traffic as station construction continues. Pedestrian access to Washington Street between Stockton Street and Trenton Alley remains open.

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ONGOING: Central Subway Project *continued*

The Central Subway project is the first underground line to link the north and south corridors of the city, and will provide a direct connection to major retail, sporting and cultural venues while efficiently transporting people to jobs, educational opportunities and other amenities throughout San Francisco.

For project updates, please visit:

<https://www.sfmta.com/projects-planning/projects/central-subway-project>

ONGOING: 8th Street Safety Project

Now until Further Notice: A new transit boarding island will come soon to 8th Street between Market and Stevenson streets. In coordination with a sewer upgrade effort, construction is in progress and may last until late-November.

The transit boarding island will provide more space and reliability for transit passengers, and a protected space for bicyclists riding between the sidewalk and boarding island.

Traffic/Transit Impact

- Please follow posted signage to locate the closest 19 Polk and 83X Mid-Market Express bus stop during construction.
- At times, there may be temporary lane closures as crews perform work resulting in possible travel delays. Please plan to allow for extra travel time during construction due to possible delays.
- Traffic will be routed around construction activity as necessary, but will not be detoured. Pedestrian pathways and access to driveways and commercial/residential buildings will be maintained at all times.

For more project details, please visit [sfmta.com/7th&8th](https://www.sfmta.com/7th&8th).

ONGOING: Oak and Octavia Safety Project

The Oak and Octavia Safety Project is improving safety and accessibility at the highly trafficked intersections where Octavia Boulevard meets Oak and Fell streets. Identified as a top priority through a community planning process, enhancements currently under construction include new center medians between Oak and Fell streets, as well as pedestrian bulbouts and ADA accessibility upgrades on Laguna Street. The construction project is expected to be ongoing through early December with periodic lane closures, with general work hours from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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ONGOING: Oak and Octavia Safety Project *continued*

For the next few weeks: 1) the center of Octavia Boulevard may be reduced to one lane in each direction as landscaping and lighting are added to the new center median; and 2) eastbound lanes on Oak Street approaching Octavia Boulevard and westbound lanes on Fell Street approaching Laguna Street may also be reduced due to sidewalk widening activities, resulting in possible delays.

For more project information, please visit www.sfmta.com/octavia

ONGOING: Construction of Mission Bay Loop

Now until Further Notice: The SFMTA has resumed construction on 18th, 19th and Illinois streets, the project is expected to be completed in early 2018.

The Mission Bay Loop is a key component for San Francisco's T Third rail line and is critical to operating the T Third Central Subway service plan. The loop provides turn-around capabilities for the T Third Street light rail line via a connection of trackway from 3rd Street to 18th, Illinois and 19th streets, which will allow the SFMTA to operate the necessary service levels needed to support current and planned growth within the eastern portion of San Francisco.

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. Traveling around and through the construction area should expect minor delays.

Since early April, the contractor has been working on the sewer infrastructure within the center of Illinois Street starting at 18th and Illinois streets. General work hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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 (approximately until winter of 2018).

Traffic lanes traveling both north and south will remain open and there will be flaggers posted to help direct traffic. The northbound bike lane will be converted to a shared roadway. Expect minor delays when traveling around and through the construction area.

Local access to properties along the project site will be maintained. Sewer work is scheduled to be completed by December 2017.

For project details or to sign up to receive project updates, please visit:

<https://www.sfmta.com/missionbayloop>.

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ONGOING: Polk Streetscape Project

The Polk Streetscape Project is an effort to create a safer, more vibrant corridor for all residents of San Francisco. In addition to increasing safety for everyone traveling on Polk Street, this project will incorporate new lighting, landscaping and street infrastructure. The project is anticipated to be completed in six segments, with construction taking approximately 24 months to complete. General work hours will be from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Construction began since October 2016 with sewer work on North Point Street, from Polk to Larkin streets.

San Francisco Public Works will be working to incorporate key safety, sewer and water utility infrastructure improvements and streetscape enhancements along Polk Street, from Beach to McAllister streets. Improvements also include: paving, ADA curb ramps installation, alleyway improvements, sidewalk bulb-outs and bus bulb-outs, traffic signal upgrades, street light upgrades and bicycle lane improvements.

Traffic/Transit Impact

- At times, there may be temporary intersection or lane closures as crews perform work resulting in possible travel delays. Please plan to allow for extra travel time during construction due to possible delays.
- Traffic will be routed around construction activity as necessary. Pedestrian pathways and access to driveways and commercial/residential buildings will be maintained at all times.

For more project details, please visit sfpublicworks.org/polk.

Upcoming Events

Cruzada Guadalupana

Saturday, December 9: The annual Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe will take place. Participants will begin walking from All Soul's Church in South San Francisco at 6 a.m., enter San Francisco at Mission and Sickles at 9:30 a.m. and end at St. Mary's Cathedral on Geary Boulevard at 2 p.m.

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Upcoming Events *continued*

Cruzada Guadalupana *continued*

The San Francisco portion of the route begins at Mission Street and Sickles Avenue, continues north on Mission to Van Ness Avenue (via 14th Street and South Van Ness Avenue) to Ellis Street, west on Ellis Street to Gough Street, and then north on Gough Street to Geary Boulevard where it will end at St. Mary's Cathedral.

There are no planned street closures or re-routes. Streets along the procession route may be congested which could affect Muni bus service. SFPD officers and Parking Control Officers will monitor the march.

GLIDE Grocery Bag Giveaway

Wednesday, December 13: The annual GLIDE Toy Bag Giveaway event will take place from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

For more details, visit <https://www.glide.org/Holidays2017>.

More details to follow.

GLIDE Toy Bag Giveaway

Saturday, December 16: The annual GLIDE Toy Bag Giveaway event will take place from 9 to 11:30 a.m.

For more details, visit <https://www.glide.org/Holidays2017>.

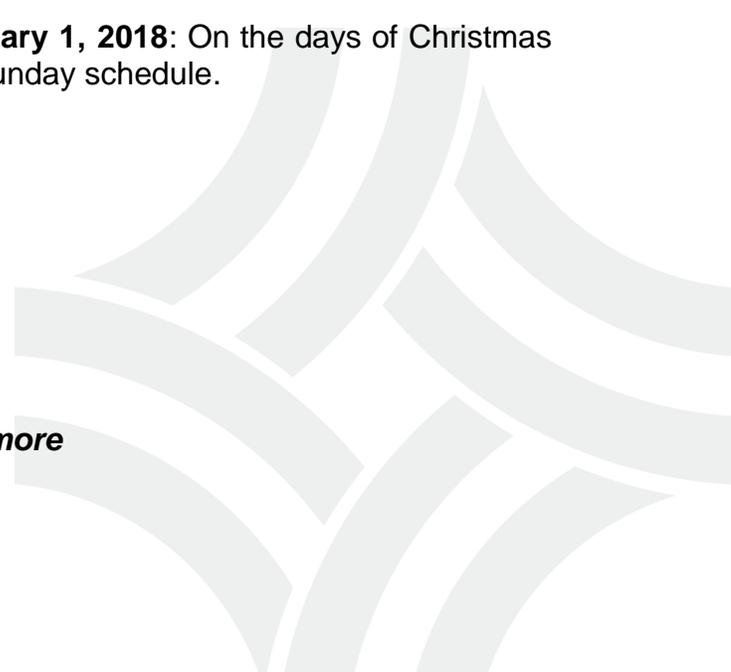
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Muni Schedule for Holiday Week

Monday, December 25, 2017 and Monday, January 1, 2018: On the days of Christmas and New Year's respectively, Muni will operate a Sunday schedule.

More details to follow.

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Parking Enforcement for Christmas and New Year's Day

Monday, December 25, 2017 and Monday, January 1, 2018: The following parking regulations **will not** be enforced anywhere in the city: parking meters, seven-day street sweeping, residential parking permits, Monday-Friday daytime street sweeping, and commuter towaway.

Vehicles creating a hazard and/or an unsafe condition (i.e. double parking, blocking a bike lane, blocking driveways, blocking crosswalks, fire hydrants, etc.) are subject to receiving citations and can possibly be towed.

Note: Parking meters in the City are enforced Monday through Saturday **with the exception of the following areas where parking meters are enforced seven days per week throughout the year except Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day:**

- Parking meters in the Fisherman's Wharf area
- Along The Embarcadero Roadway
- In the Special Event Area around AT&T Park
- Five metered off-street parking facilities listed below:
 - 8th Avenue at Clement Street
 - 9th Avenue at Clement Street
 - Geary Boulevard at 21st Avenue
 - 18th Avenue at Geary Boulevard
 - Pierce Street Garage (between Lombard and Chestnut streets)

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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!

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