

Muni Winter Service Update

SFMTA Board of Directors November 19, 2024

September Weekday and Weekend Recovery



Note: Excludes cable car and streetcar. Recovery baselined against average daily boardings from the same month in calendar year 2019.

Fall Special Events Spotlight

Portola Music Festival @ Pier 80

- Muni carried an extra **8,300** passenger trips each day on event routes
- Extra Train Service and a Late Subway Closure provided

Hardly Strictly Bluegrass @ GGP

- Muni carried an extra **11,000** passenger trips each day on event routes
- Extra Train & Bus Service provided

<u>Fleet Week Airshows & Italian</u> <u>Heritage Parade @ Fisherman's Wharf</u>

- Muni carried an extra **11,000** passenger trips each day on event routes
- Extra Street Car & Bus Service, including the Boat Tram
- 120 bus stop changes





Muni Service Changes Planned for February 1, 2025



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Responding to Hiring Slow Down

- SFMTA committed to making incremental adjustments necessary to match expenditures with revenues
- As a result, SFMTA has slowed hiring in FY Q1 and Q2, hiring 15 fewer operators than anticipated
- A small reduction in service is necessary to match the slower pace of hiring and continue to deliver 100% of scheduled trips
- Planned changes focused on minimizing customer impacts and responding to recent data trends and rider feedback



30 Stockton Short line

Central Subway's opening has significantly reduced 30 Stockton ridership south of Market Street.

<u>30 Short</u>

- Will go from North Point to Union Square
- 7am-4pm at 12 min headway (no change)

<u>SoMa and Caltrain</u> will continue to be served <u>every</u> <u>3-4 minutes</u> on weekdays by

- 30 Long (12 min)
- T Third (10 min)
- 45 Union-Stockton (10 min)



30X Stockton Express



Reinstating 2 AM only trips on the 30X by shifting 2 (of the 5) 1X AM trips to the 30X.

Current 1X AM Trips	7:15am	7:30am	7:45am	8:00am	8:20am
Feb 2024	Shift to 30X	No change	Shift to 30X	No change	No change



14R Short and Mid-day Reductions



14R Short

Moving the 14R short terminal currently located at Longfellow Elementary to Geneva/Mission area.

24 Divisadero, 38 Geary, 43 Masonic

Reducing mid day frequency (10am-1pm) by approximately 15% to better match resources with demand.

Running Time Adjustments As Usual and As Needed

Muni Equity Working Group

- Muni Equity Working Group is a broad group of stakeholders that reflects the diverse communities that rely on Muni
- Has been meeting bi-monthly starting Spring 2024, to serve as a sounding board as SFMTA staff develops a Biannual Service Evaluation and considers service tradeoffs
- On November 6, staff presented the February service changes to the Muni Equity Working Group
- Feedback ranged from unease about spending resources to reinstitute the 30X to the short time between outreach and implementation.
- Staff had originally discussed converting the 49 Mission-Van Ness to a Rapid with 11 fewer stops in the Mission. The group requested additional discussions and outreach to specific stakeholders who would receive less service with the conversion.





Service Next Steps

Spring/Summer Service Changes

- 6-month Financial Report will shape summer service approach
- Delivering reliable service is critical to grow ridership and maintain voter trust

 this includes matching service plan with staffing levels
- If we need to continue to slow hiring, further service reductions will be necessary and will have more tradeoffs than current proposals
- Service-related outreach to begin in the Jan/Feb timeframe if needed in preparation for summer 2025 implementation





Muni Funding Working Group

- On November 13, staff presented a worst-case scenario to highlight the magnitude of service consequences if we are not able to generate new revenue by July 2026
- Transit service reductions that could generate up to approximately \$200 million in annual savings were evaluated
- Categories of changes included:
 - Waiting twice as long for the bus on our busiest routes
 - No more cable cars or historic streetcar service
 - No Muni access for riders who rely on our lowest utilized routes
 - Nothing but Owl service after 9 p.m.
- Working Group Stakeholders and others across the city and region are working together to prevent major service impacts

