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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, Thursday, November 8 through Monday, November 12, 2018.

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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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Light the Night Walk

Thursday, November 8: The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Light the Night Walk will take place from 7 to 9 p.m., beginning in Lot A and continuing north up the Embarcadero pathway. For details, please see http://www.lightthenight.org/events/san-francisco

A partial street closure of one northbound lane of 3rd Street between Berry Street and Terry Francois Boulevard will be in effect from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

2018 Walk to End Alzheimer's

Saturday, November 10: The annual Walk to End Alzheimer's will take place from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., beginning in Lot A and continuing north up the Embarcadero pathway. For details, please see http://act.alz.org/site/TR?fr id=11081&pg=entry

A partial street closure of one northbound lane of 3rd Street between Berry Street and Terry Francois Boulevard will be in effect from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

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Veterans Day Parade

Sunday, November 11: The annual Veterans Day Parade will take place in the North Beach area, from North Point Street via The Embarcadero to Aquatic Park.

Staging will start at 10 a.m. on North Point Street between Powell Street and The Embarcadero. Parade will begin at 11 a.m. travelling north-west on The Embarcadero to Jefferson Street, then west on Jefferson Street. Parade units will disband at the last block of Jefferson Street at approximately 1 p.m.

During the parade, **NO** traffic will be allowed on North Point Street between Jefferson Street and The Embarcadero. Cross traffic may not be allowed. After the parade units have passed and the street is cleaned, street will be re-opened for traffic.

The following Muni lines and routes will be affected: **E Embarcadero; F Market & Wharves; 8 Bayshore; 39 Coit; and 47 Van Ness**.

Veterans Day Holiday Muni Service and Parking Enforcement

Monday, November 12 (Veterans Day Observed): Muni service will operate on a regular weekday schedule.

Parking meters and seven-day street sweeping will be enforced citywide on the holiday. Residential parking permits and Monday-Friday daytime street sweeping and commuter towaway will not be enforced.

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
- On and near 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



Veterans Day Holiday Muni Service and Parking Enforcement continued

• Pierce Street Garage (between Lombard and Chestnut streets)

CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES

REMINDER: Salesforce Transit Center Closure

With the temporary closure of the Salesforce Transit Center, all bus routes have been rerouted to the temporary Transbay Center at Howard and Main streets: **The 5 Fulton, 5R Fulton Rapid, 7 Haight-Noriega, 25 Treasure Island, 38 Geary and 38R Geary Rapid are affected.** The closure is ongoing until further notice.

NEW: Twin Peaks Tunnel Improvement Project

On Friday and Saturday nights during the weekends of November 9-11 and 16-18, there will be temporary overnight closures to the Twin Peaks Tunnel. The tunnel closure includes West Portal and Forest Hill stations. These closures are similar to those on previous weekends and only in effect when ridership is low late at night and early in the morning. Bus shuttles will be provided for the KLM lines and will run while additional work is done. Neighbors should expect minimal disruptions as most activity will be inside the tunnel. Crews plan to use this time to replace and upgrade 33 fire suppression valves, repair superficial cracks, and finish replacing the fiber optic cables that aid citywide emergency communications.

Weekend Overnight Details:

- West Portal and Forest Hill stations close at approximately 11pm on Friday and reopen on Saturday at 8am.
- West Portal and Forest Hill stations close at approximately 11pm on Saturday and reopen on Sunday at 8am.
- **Buses will operate K, L and M routes** between Embarcadero and each line's terminal destination. Board where you see a Half Moon sign. Buses will run every 20 minutes until OWL services starts.
- **OWL and Sunday service** will not be affected by these closures.

Customers can board all buses at Muni Shuttle route stops, designated with a "Muni Metro Shuttle" yellow half-moon sign. More information: SFMTA.com/TwinPeaks. Weekend overnight closures of the Twin Peaks Tunnel are also planned for December – more information on these to come.



UPDATE: Geary Rapid Project

The Geary Rapid Project aims to bring pedestrian safety improvements and more reliable bus service to Geary and O'Farrell streets between Stanyan and Market streets.

The first set of transit and safety treatments began on October 1 and are expected to continue until about mid-November. These treatments include:

- New transit-only lanes on most blocks between Stanyan and Gough streets to improve bus service and reduce unpredictable delays. Eastbound transit-only lanes between Baker and Gough streets have been completed; westbound lanes are underway.
 - To make room, one travel lane in each direction is being removed.
- Several intersections are being "daylighted" by painting red curb at intersection corners to make people crossing the street more visible to drivers.
- Some locations are being painted as safety zones to provide a visual cue to motorists to slow down.
- **New bicycle markings** to help cyclists to cross Geary Boulevard at Webster Street, Steiner Street and Masonic Avenue.

For more project details, visit <u>SFMTA.com/Geary</u>.

UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project

Traffic lanes on Van Ness Avenue have been shifted to create two construction zones. Because some of this work requires reducing Van Ness Avenue to one lane in each direction, some work is limited to nighttime hours. For more project details and the latest construction updates, visit <u>sfmta.com/vanness</u>.

Friday, November 9, between the hours of 8 p.m. and 7 a.m.:

- On California Street: Crews are scheduled to perform water work.
- From Post to Geary streets: Crews are scheduled to work on updating the emergency firefighting water system. Disruptive noise is expected.
- **On Turk Street:** Crews are scheduled to perform streetlights work.
- From Fell to Market streets: Crews are scheduled to work on water main installation.

UPDATE: Construction of Mission Bay Loop

The SFMTA has resumed construction on 18th, 19th and Illinois streets, the project is expected to be completed in spring 2019. 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. In order to conduct the work, parking on both sides including along the historical



UPDATE: Construction of Mission Bay Loop continued

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.

A partial street closure is currently in effect in order to accommodate duct bank work on Illinois Street between 18th and 19th streets until the end of 2018. Outer traffic lanes traveling both north and south on Illinois Street will remain open for through traffic. Immediately following the duct bank work, the track work will begin.

Local access to properties along the project site will be maintained. Sewer work is scheduled to be completed by summer 2018. For project details or to sign up to receive project updates, visit: <u>https://www.sfmta.com/missionbayloop</u>.

ONGOING: Third Street Bridge Rehabilitation Project

Now through January 2020: Crews have begun Phase Two of the Third Street Bridge Rehabilitation Project. For more project details, visit <u>http://www.sfpublicworks.org/thirdstreetbridge</u>.

ONGOING: Central Subway Project

Utility upgrade work is ongoing Monday through Friday, overnight from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. at 4th and Howard streets. Two through lanes are in place southbound 4th Street. Westbound traffic on Howard Street may be impacted. One lane on the south side of Ellis Street is open at all times for eastbound traffic. The parking garage between Ellis and O'Farrell is accessible on the north side of Ellis Street. Street and sidewalk restoration work continues on the north side of the intersection of Ellis and Stockton streets, as well as on O'Farrell at Stockton. For project updates, visit: <u>https://www.sfmta.com/projects-planning/projects/central-subway-project</u>.

ONGOING: Townsend Corridor Improvement Project

Townsend Street has one of the richest mixes of travel modes of any street in San Francisco, where thousands of people an hour access this regional transportation hub by bike, foot, shuttle bus, Uber, Lyft, taxi, personal vehicle, or by one of many Muni bus routes along the corridor. The Townsend Corridor Improvement Project, which spans from 3rd Street to 8th Street, aims to create a safer and more efficient Townsend Street where all modes of travel are organized into comfortable and intuitive spaces. For project details, please visit <u>sfmta.com/townsend</u>.



ONGOING: Townsend Corridor Improvement Project continued

The first set of improvements to Townsend Street will involve partial repaving of the street between 5th and 7th streets. This is set to continue over the weekend and through Tuesday, November 13. During construction, temporary tow-away zones will be established to remove parked vehicles and allow crews space to complete construction. During construction, one travel lane in each direction will remain open at all times. Temporary loading zones will be established for commercial loading, passenger loading, and tour bus loading on both sides of Townsend Street west of 5th Street. The Ford GoBike station at Townsend and 5th Street will be temporarily relocated during construction.

ONGOING: UCSF Mission Bay Arena Platform Project

In anticipation of the new Golden State Warriors' Chase Center and growth in the Mission Bay, the SFMTA is constructing a new center platform along 3rd Street between South and 16th streets. This new, larger platform will service both inbound and outbound trains and greatly expand transit capacity in preparation for large crowds. Construction work is ongoing, with decommission of the Muni platform planned for mid-November and a new platform anticipated to be completed and in service in early summer of 2019. Bus substitutions will serve the T-Third line during parts of construction.

The UCSF Mission Bay Platform will be out of service Monday, November 12, 2018 through late April 2019. The T Third will continue to operate but will skip that stop. Please board at Mission Rock and Mariposa stations.

In order to accomodate construction, the T Third will be substituted by a bus the following dates: Sunday, November 25; Friday, November 30 to Monday, December 3; January 4 to end of February 2019. For detailed information and to sign up for email updates, visit: <u>https://www.sfmta.com/missionbayplatform</u>.

Upcoming Events

Healthy Thanksgiving Block Party

Saturday November 17, 2018: A holiday event sponsored by a local church will take place on Sunnydale Avenue.



San Francisco Rescue Mission Event

Thursday, November 22, 2018: A holiday event hosted by San Francisco Rescue Mission will take place on Jones Street.

Jones Street between Eddy and Turk streets will be closed from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday.

Parking Enforcement for Thanksgiving Holiday and Black Friday

Thursday, November 22 (Thanksgiving Day): The following parking regulations <u>will not</u> be enforced anywhere in the city: parking meters, seven-day street sweeping, residential parking permits, Monday-Friday daytime street sweeping, and commuter towaway.

Friday, November 23 (Black Friday): Parking meters and seven day street sweeping will be enforced citywide. Residential parking permits and Monday-Friday daytime street sweeping and commuter towaway will not be enforced.

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.

Muni Schedule for Thanksgiving Holiday and Black Friday

Thursday, November 22: On Thanksgiving Day, Muni will operate on a Sunday schedule.

Friday, November 23: On Black Friday, Muni will operate on a weekday schedule to provide service for those visiting and shopping in the city. There will be no express bus service on all express routes except the following routes: 8AX Bayshore A Express; and 8BX Bayshore B Express.

Union Square Tree Lighting Ceremony

Friday, November 23: The 28th annual tree lighting will take place at 5:30 p.m. at Union Square Park. For more event details, please visit: <u>http://unionsquareshop.com/TreeLightingUnionSquare.html</u>.



Winter Walk SF

Friday, November 23 through Monday, December 31, 2018: The annual Winter Walk Plaza will take place on Stockton Street between Geary and Ellis streets. A diverse program of activities is planned which includes open air beer and wine gardens, food vendors, live performances and lots of family-friendly activities. For more details of Winter Walk SF, visit winterwalksf.com

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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. 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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