## Section 2: WORKING ON STREETS WITH SPECIAL RESTRICTIONS

Depending on the work site, there are certain restrictions that will apply. This section identifies streets where work is limited by time of day or day of the week. In some instances contractors may be restricted to working during evenings and weekends.

### 2.1 Streets of Major Traffic Importance (Appendix C, Table 1)

Table 1 in Appendix C lists the City streets by direction of travel, on which traffic lanes must be kept clear during certain times of the day, and the restricted hours for each block. No work resulting in shifting or closing traffic lanes is allowed on listed streets during the specified hours. This includes any hole, debris, or material or equipment in the traffic lanes, including tow-away lanes, during these hours. Streets marked “Caltrans Jurisdiction” are within Caltrans’ Jurisdiction and require an encroachment permit from the State, in addition to any city permits. Caltrans may determine working hours or defer to the City of San Francisco for working hours determined by SFMTA.

### 2.2 Restrictions in Certain Areas

Streets with heavy traffic in the downtown area, streets with transit lines, streets that lead to Oracle Park, and streets containing bicycle routes all have special restrictions. Contractor is responsible for complying with these restrictions.

#### 2.2.1 Area of Important Streets – Downtown (Appendix D, Map 1A)

Map 1A outlines the downtown area. Within the bounded area construction activity is limited on certain street segments from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m., and 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Monday to Friday and other segments are further restricted. Refer to Appendix C, Table 1 for specific street segments with these hours restrictions.

#### 2.2.2 Restrictions for Moscone Convention Center Events (Appendix D, Map 2)

The streets around Moscone Convention Center are subject to restricted construction hours during major events at the Center. No construction activity is allowed one hour before to one hour after these events.

#### 2.2.3 Ball Park Restrictions (Appendix D, Map 3)

The streets around Oracle Park and Chase Center are subject to restricted construction hours during major events at the ball parks. No construction activity is allowed from two (2) hours before to two (2) hours after these events.

#### 2.2.4 Holiday Moratorium

No construction work is allowed in the public right of way from the day after Thanksgiving to January 1, inclusive, during the hours of 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Holiday Moratorium protected streets. On protected streets all openings in the street and in the sidewalk must be closed by backfilling and paving or by plating over, providing safe and adequate passage for bicycles, vehicles and pedestrians. Work may be allowed between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. as long as the proper night noise permit is obtained.

**A. Protected Streets** - The following streets are considered Holiday Moratorium protected:

1. **Business Blocks in the City except as noted in parts 2 and 3 below:** A Business Block is any City block (including alleys) where at least 50 percent of the frontage is devoted to business. Frontage is defined as the measurement of the length of a building facing the subject street and only includes buildings with entry on the subject street. Establishments in this category are retail stores, grocery stores, bars, restaurants, non-residence type hotels and other retail businesses as determined by the SFMTA. Gas stations, parking lots and garages, government and private offices, repair shops, wholesale businesses that are not open to the public and businesses which are exclusively manufacturing, construction, professional or financial services, while all important, are not considered holiday retail businesses for the purposes of the Holiday Moratorium.

2. **SF Downtown Streets Within Shown in Figure 2.1 Downtown Holiday Restrictions Boundaries area "A":** Holiday Moratorium restrictions do not apply to tenant and property owner initiated minor construction projects such as installation of commercial signage, interior tenant improvements, storefront repairs and holiday installations which impact the street and/or sidewalk for no more than 3 days. This area is bounded by Bush Street, Taylor Street, Market Street, and Kearny Street, inclusive of both sides of those streets.

3. **SF Downtown Streets Within Shown in Figure 2.1 Downtown Holiday Restrictions Boundaries area "B":** Holiday Moratorium restrictions do not apply to area "B" of the map. A moratorium waiver is not required to work in this section of the map. This area is bounded by The Embarcadero, Washington Street, Drumm Street, Clay Street, Battery Street, California Street, Hyde Street, 8th Street, and Harrison Street, inclusive of both sides of those streets, **except** the streets within area "A" which are subject to area "A" Holiday Moratorium requirements.

4. Alleys are not included in the Holiday Moratorium restriction unless they meet the criteria of a Business Block in the City (see paragraph ii below). Alleys are defined as streets under 25' wide from curb to curb.

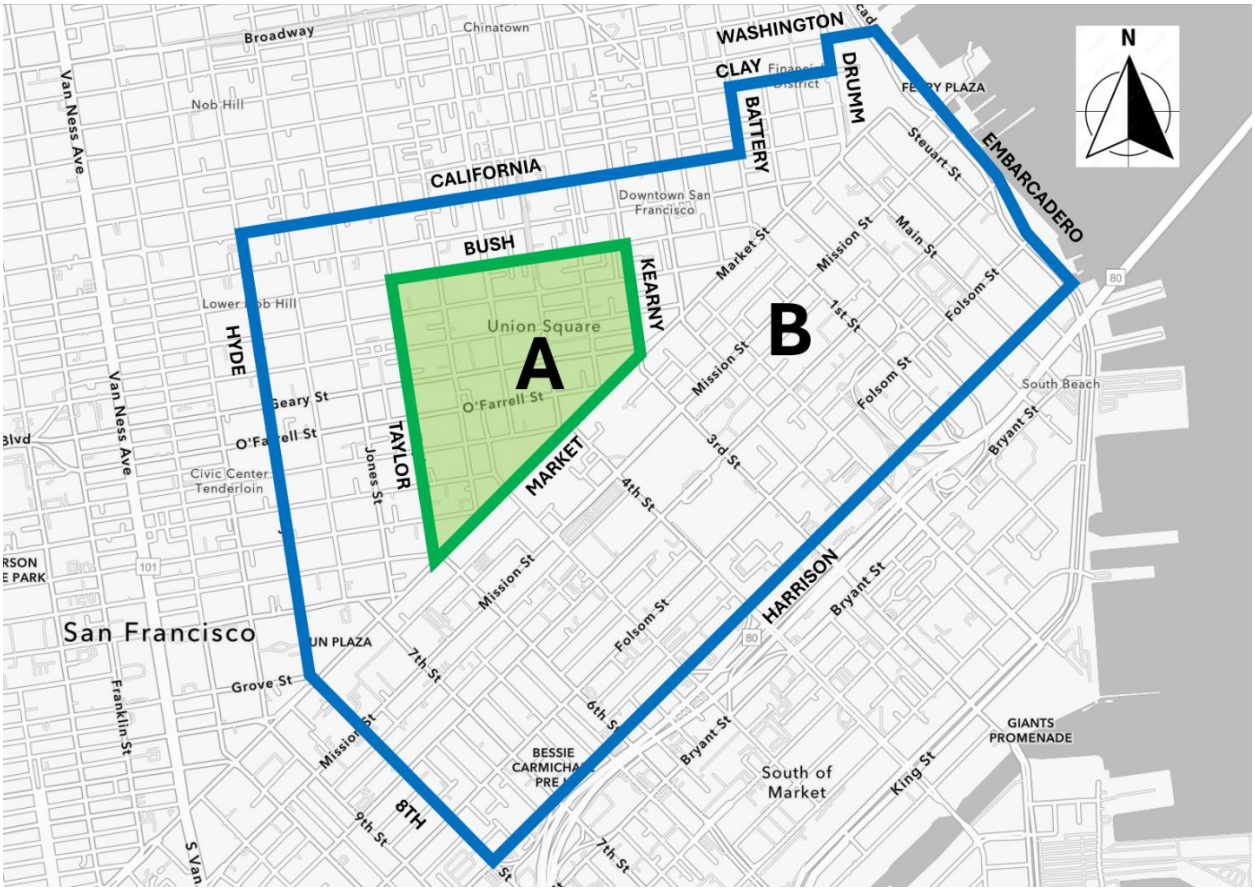



**Figure 2.1**: Downtown Holiday Restrictions Boundaries

**B. Business Block Evaluation:** If work is planned during the Holiday Moratorium on a block that appears to be 50 percent or more protected commercial frontage, contractors should complete the Holiday Moratorium form available at the following link: https://www.sfmta.com/media/33044/download?inline and email a copy to SFMTA permit staff at TrafficPermits@sfmta.com

**C. Conditional Approval and Waivers**

1. **Conditional Holiday Moratorium Approval**. Applicants may apply for "Conditional Approval" to work on any street that has up to 75% business and is outside the map area in Figure 1 above (or on alleys within the map area). When applying for "Conditional Approval", the applicant does not have to complete a full "Holiday Moratorium Business Block Survey." If granted, the applicant may work as long as no valid objection is received at SFMTA. Following any valid objection, Conditional Approval may be revoked and work ceased until the applicant receives a standard Holiday Moratorium waiver.
2. **Standard Holiday Moratorium Waiver**. Applicants may request a standard Holiday Moratorium waiver from affected businesses if the block is protected. Applicants who request a waiver must be prepared to detail the hours of operation of businesses and obtain written approval from property and business owners. Please contact

the SFMTA prior to contacting the public about a Holiday Moratorium waiver.

To request a standard Holiday Moratorium waiver, the contractor shall prepare a map of each block and a table listing businesses and their approvals and submit them along with copies of written approvals from the businesses and completed "Holiday Moratorium Business Block Survey" form for SFMTA to review. The contractor should use the City assessor map and the Holiday Moratorium worksheet for this documentation available at the following links:

Assessor Map:
https://sfplanninggis.org/pim/?pub=true

Holiday Moratorium worksheet:
https://www.sfmta.com/sites/default/files/reports-and-documents/2020/09/2020_holiday_moratorium_worksheet-sipv2.xlsx

SFTMA staff will review the Holiday Moratorium documents, make a decision and return a completed copy of the form to the contractor. If the block(s) are not Holiday Moratorium protected ***or*** SFMTA has received all written approvals, then SFMTA will approve the waiver on the form and work may continue. The contractor shall keep a copy of the form on site to show City staff (inspectors, engineers or enforcement personnel). The contractor must include approved Holiday Moratorium forms along with any traffic permits applied for during the Holiday Moratorium period. Holiday Moratorium documents are valid for the year in which they are submitted.

### 2.2.5 Major Muni Routes

Some routes in the Muni system are designated "Major Muni Routes". In order to facilitate traffic flow for Muni vehicles and for the general public, construction activity is limited on certain street segments citywide from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday. In addition, construction activity is further limited on certain street segments along Major Muni Routes that are in the Area of Important Streets (see Appendix D, Map 1A), between the hours of 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday. Refer to Appendix C, Table 1 for specific street segments with these hours restrictions and other segments that are further restricted.

Table 2 in this section lists routes that are considered "Major Muni Routes". The Contractor should become familiar with the routes of the coach lines operating within the work area. For further information on Muni routes or schedules, visit the SFMTA's website at www.sfmta.com or call SFMTA at 311.

**Table 2: Major Muni Routes**

| Muni Line | | Name | | Muni Line | | Name |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **BUS & TROLLEY LINES** | | | | **CABLE CARS (CC)** | | |
| 1 | ✓ | California | | C | ✓ | California |
| 2 | ✓ | Clement | | PH | ✓ | Powell-Hyde |
| 5 | ✓ | Fulton | | PM | ✓ | Powell-Mason |
| 7 | ✓ | Haight-Noriega | | | | |
| 8X | ✓ | Bayshore Express | | **RAIL LINES** | | |
| 9 | ✓ | San Bruno | | F | ✓ | Market |
| 10 | ✓ | Townsend | | J | | Church |
| 12 | ✓ | Folsom/Pacific | | K | | Ingleside |
| 14 | ✓ | Mission | | L | | Taraval |
| 19 | ✓ | Polk | | M | | Ocean View |
| 21 | ✓ | Hayes | | N | ✓ | Judah |
| 22 | | Fillmore | | T | ✓ | Third |
| 24 | | Divisadero | | | | |
| 28 | | 19th Avenue | | | | |
| 29 | | Sunset | | | | |
| 30 | ✓ | Stockton | | | | |
| 31 | ✓ | Balboa | | | | |
| 38 | ✓ | Geary | | | | |
| 41 | ✓ | Union | | | | |
| 43 | | Masonic | | | | |
| 44 | | O'Shaughnessy | | | | |
| 45 | ✓ | Union-Stockton | | | | |
| 47 | ✓ | Van Ness | | | | |
| 48 | | Quintara | | | | |
| 49 | ✓ | Van Ness-Mission | | | | |

✓ = Route services downtown (Map 1A)