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# \*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\* SFMTA Weekend Transit and Traffic Advisory For Saturday, April 20, 2019

**San Francisco**—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) releases the following upcoming event-related traffic and transit impacts for this weekend, from Saturday, April 20 through Sunday, April 21, 2019.

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#### **Cherry Blossom Festival and Grand Parade**

**Saturday, April 20 and Sunday, April 21:** The 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Cherry Blossom Festival will be held from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. each day with the Grand Parade being held on Sunday. For event details visit www.sfcherryblossom.org.

The following street closures will be required for the festival:

#### From 4 a.m., Saturday to 11 p.m., Sunday:

- Post Street between Fillmore and Laguna streets
- Webster Street between Geary Boulevard and Sutter Street
- Buchanan Street between Sutter and Bush streets
- Intersection: Post Street at Webster Street

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#### Cherry Blossom Festival and Grand Parade continued

#### From 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday:

- Post Street between Fillmore and Steiner streets (local access will be allowed)
- Boswell Street between Geary Boulevard and Post Street
- Intersection: Boswell Street at Post Street

The parade units will gather at Civic Center at 11 a.m. on Sunday for the Cherry Blossom Grand Parade. The parade will begin at 1 p.m. and follow a route from Polk and McAllister streets, north on Polk Street and west on Post Street to disband between Fillmore and Steiner streets.

All intersections along the parade route will remain open except when the parade passes. Streets will re-open as soon as possible after the parade passes and the streets have been cleaned.

The following Muni routes will be affected: 2 Clement; 3 Jackson; 5 Fulton; 19 Polk; 21 Hayes; 22 Fillmore; 31 Balboa; 38 Geary; 47 Van Ness; 49 Van Ness/Mission; and 76X Marin Headlands Express.

#### Mission Crit 6

**Saturday, April 20:** The Mission Crit 6 bicycle event will take place in Mission District from 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. A series of bicycle races will take place on city streets around Harrison and 17<sup>th</sup> streets. For event details visit http://missioncrit.com/.

The following street closures will be required from 8 a.m. to midnight:

- Treat Avenue between 16th and 18th streets
- Harrison Street between 16th and 18th streets
- 18<sup>th</sup> Street between Folsom and Harrison streets
- 17<sup>th</sup> Street between Folsom and Alabama streets
- Mariposa Street between Harrison and Alabama streets
- Alabama Street between 17<sup>th</sup> and Mariposa streets;
- Intersections:
  - o 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and Mariposa streets at Harrison Street
  - o 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> streets at Treat Avenue

The will be no impact on Muni services.



# Event at Golden Gate Park

**Saturday, April 20:** A large group of participants is expected to gather at Robin Williams Meadow (formerly Sharon Meadows) and in the Alvord Lake area in the southeast of Golden Gate Park.

San Francisco Police Department will enforce the following street closures beginning at 10 a.m.:

- Haight, Page and Waller streets between Masonic and Stanyan streets
- Stanyan Street between Frederick and Oak streets
- Shrader Street between Beulah and Waller streets
- Various intersections in and around the event area:
  - Oak and Waller streets at Ashbury, Clayton, Shrader, Cole and Belvedere streets
  - Frederick Street at Shrader Street
  - Beulah Street at Shrader and Cole streets

During the time of street closures, no traffic will be allowed with the exception of Muni buses. Personnel from San Francisco Police Department may enforce additional street closures as crowds grow for public safety.

The following Muni lines and routes will be affected: N Judah (Light Rail Vehicle and Bus Substitution); 6 Parnassus; 7 Haight/Noriega; 33 Ashbury/18<sup>th</sup>; 37 Corbett; and 43 Masonic.

Extensive delays and heavy pedestrian traffic are expected around the event area. Motorists who normally use Lincoln Way, Fell or Oak streets to travel between the Sunset District and downtown are strongly encouraged to use alternate routes. Heavy traffic and delays are also anticipated for Fulton Street, on both sides of Stanyan Street. Motorists should anticipate that Kezar Drive will be closed from early afternoon until early evening.

#### Easter Sunrise on Mount Davidson

**Sunday, April 21**: The annual Easter Sunrise Service at Mount Davidson Cross will begin at 7 a.m. The SFMTA will provide supplemental Muni service on the 36 Teresita route beginning at 5:30 a.m. until the start of the service from Forest Hill Station to Myra Way and Dalewood Way. After the service concludes, Muni will provide service from Myra Way and Dalewood Way to Forest Hill Station.



#### **Union Street Spring Festival and Easter Parade**

**Sunday, April 21**: The 28<sup>th</sup> Union Street Spring Celebration will take place on Union Street between Gough and Fillmore streets from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Easter Parade will start at 2 p.m. For event details visit <u>www.unionstreetevents.com</u>.

Formation of the parade will be on Green Street between Franklin and Gough streets. The parade will begin at 2 p.m. on Green Street, then proceed north on Gough Street, west on Union Street, north on Fillmore Street and east onto Filbert Street where the parade will disband.

The following street closures will be required from 2 a.m. to 11 p.m.:

- Union Street between Gough and Fillmore streets
- Octavia Street between Filbert and Green streets
- Laguna Street between Filbert and Green streets
- Webster Street between Filbert and Green streets
- Buchanan Street from Filbert and Green streets
- Intersections: Octavia, Laguna, Buchanan and Webster street at Union Street

The following street closure will be required from noon to 3 p.m.:

• Green Street between Franklin and Gough streets

The following Muni routes will be affected: **22 Fillmore; and 45 Union-Stockton**.

#### **CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES**

#### **UPDATE: Inner Sunset Streetscape Improvement Project**

To accommodate the final phase of the Inner Sunset Streetscape Improvement Project, **Muni** is running bus shuttles for the N Judah Line between Ocean Beach and Carl and Cole streets since Saturday, April 13 and continuing for approximately two weeks. Bus substitution is required in order to complete paving work on Irving Street between Arguello Boulevard and 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

Regular N Judah rail service operates between 4<sup>th</sup> and King streets and Carl Street and Hillway Avenue. Carl Street and Hillway Avenue is the last stop served by N Judah rail service. For stops west of Carl Street and Hillway Avenue, customers must transfer at Carl and Cole streets to continue their trip. Carl and Cole is the last accessible rail stop.



#### UPDATE: Inner Sunset Streetscape Improvement Project continued

Bus service begins at 4:30 a.m., Saturday, April 13 and continuing during regular service hours until construction is completed. Bus shuttles are following the regular N Judah line except for short segments along Frederick Street and Lincoln Way.

Customers traveling downtown are encouraged to allow extra travel time for their trips or consider taking alternate Muni routes, such as NX Judah Express, 6 Haight/Parnassus, 7 Haight/Noriega and 7X Noriega Express. Customers in the Inner Sunset area can also take the 43 Masonic or 44 O'Shaughnessy line to Forest Hill Station and transfer to Muni Metro lines for downtown travel. The L Taraval service is also available to connect downtown and the Sunset District.

Due to the ongoing need for additional bus operators during this time, Muni riders may experience additional gaps and crowding on the Chestnut, Geary and Mission corridors. The E Embarcadero and 83X Mid-Market Express lines are suspended until construction is completed. Alternate service is provided by the F Market & Wharves and the N Judah trains:

- Along The Embarcadero, north of Market Street, use the <u>F Market & Wharves</u> historic streetcar.
- Along King Street and The Embarcadero, south of Market Street, use the <u>N Judah</u> train.
- Transfer between the N and F trains at <u>Embarcadero Station</u> and the <u>Ferry Building</u>.

#### **UPDATE: Central Subway Project**

**Repaving work at the intersection of 4<sup>th</sup> and Bryant streets** is currently scheduled to start on **Wednesday, April 17.** This work will begin at 7 a.m. and will continue 24 hours a day **through 5 p.m., Friday, April 19. Work will continue again at 7 a.m., Saturday, April 20 through 7 a.m., Sunday, April 21**. Temporary lane closures will be in effect during the duration of this work including periodic closures to the 4<sup>th</sup> Street exit of Highway 101.

In Chinatown, the sidewalk on the west side of Stockton Street, south of Washington Street, adjacent to the worksite is temporarily closed to facilitate utility upgrade work. There is currently one lane of traffic open on both sides of Stockton between Clay and Jackson streets. For project updates, visit: <u>https://www.sfmta.com/projects-planning/projects/central-subway-project</u>.



# **UPDATE: UCSF Mission Bay Arena Platform Project**

**The T Third line resumed rail service, Monday, April 1.** Train is running along the line, but the Muni platform at UCSF Mission Bay will remain out of service while construction continues. The T Third train will continue to operate but will skip that stop. Customers should board at Mission Rock and Mariposa stations.

In anticipation of the new Golden State Warriors' arena, the SFMTA is constructing a new 320foot center platform along 3<sup>rd</sup> Street between South and 16<sup>th</sup> streets. The existing platform has been demolished. The new track alignment will include one single and one double crossover to facilitate the movement of vehicles as operations requires. Other associated work includes modification of the overhead contact system, and both above and below ground utility relocation work. Construction will require four phases that will necessitate three separate transit service plans. For more information visit www.SFMTA.com/MissionBayPlatform.

#### **UPDATE: Construction of Mission Bay Loop**

The SFMTA has resumed construction on 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and Illinois streets, the project is expected to be completed in summer 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 Crane Cove Park fence (east side of Illinois Street) will be removed 24 hours, 7 days a week from 18<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> streets through summer of 2019. 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. For project details or to sign up to receive project updates, visit: <u>https://www.sfmta.com/missionbayloop</u>.



## **UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project**

**On Friday, April 19,** between the hours of 8 p.m. and 7 a.m., crews are scheduled to work on street light conduits and water main installation at the following locations:

- Van Ness at Washington Street
- Van Ness at Clay Street
- Van Ness at Sacramento Street
- Van Ness at California Street
- Van Ness at Pine Street
- Van Ness at Bush Street
- Van Ness at Fell Street
- Van Ness between Market and Mission streets

Because some work requires reducing Van Ness Avenue to one lane in each direction, some work is 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 <u>sfmta.com/vanness</u>.

#### **ONGOING: Muni Metro Elevator Safety Modernization Project**

**Since Monday, January 21 and continuing for about twelve weeks**, the inbound platform elevator at Church Station has been out of service while the SFMTA has been working on upgrading the unit.

While the elevator is out of service, customer can use the following options to access Church Station:

- Take an inbound train for L Taraval, M Ocean View, K Ingleside/T Third Streets lines or S Shuttle - Customers can exit at Van Ness Station, proceed to the outbound platform and take any L, M, K/T or S lines to Church Station.
- Heading inbound from Church Station Customers can use the outbound elevator to access any outbound train, get off at Castro Station, proceed to inbound platform and take any inbound train to continue travel.



#### ONGOING: Muni Metro Elevator Safety Modernization Project continued

Options to access Church Station continued

- Accessible service to the Church and Market area is available on the following Muni routes or lines:
  - J Church (Accessible stops at Duboce and Church as well as inbound at Church at Market)
  - N Judah (Accessible stop at Duboce and Church)
  - F Market & Wharves (serves Church, Van Ness and Castro stations)
  - 37 Corbett (serves Church and Castro stations)
- **Customers with disabilities** can use station escalators to access the inbound platform.

Upon completion of this upgrade work at Church Station, the SFMTA will begin work on elevators at Castro and Forest Hill stations. The entire upgrade project is expected to take about four years to complete.

#### Upcoming Construction

#### NEW: Cable Car Gearbox Rehabilitation Project

**Thursday, May 2:** In support of the Cable Car Gearbox Rehabilitation Project, Muni will run bus shuttles for the Powell and Mason cable car lines between the turntable at Powell and Market streets and the Mason northern terminal at Bay and Taylor streets. Bus service will begin at 5:30 a.m., Thursday, May 2 and will continue during regular service hours for about ten days or until the work is completed.

During this time, the California Cable Car Line will operate as usual to ride through the hills of the Financial District and hit the top of Nob Hill. The Hyde Line will run partial service between Powell and Washington streets and Hyde and Beach streets ending up close to Ghirardelli Square where you can shop or eat.

Bus shuttles will follow the Powell and Mason lines and pick up passengers at the curb at cable car stops.

Regular bus fare will apply: \$2.75 for cash fare or \$2.50 if paid by MuniMobile or Clipper Card.



#### Upcoming Construction continued

#### NEW: Cable Car Gearbox Rehabilitation Project continued

Maintenance work will also take place at various locations along the cable car lines during this time to maximize the shutdown opportunity.

## Upcoming Events

#### **Critical Mass**

**Friday, April 26:** The Critical Mass bicycle ride will begin at Embarcadero Plaza (formerly Justin Herman Plaza) at 6 p.m. There will be heavy traffic in the area. Motorists are advised to allow extra travel time.

#### San Francisco Giants Baseball Games

Friday, April 26 through Wednesday, May 1: The San Francisco Giants will play six home games at the ballpark:

Friday, April 26 through Sunday, April 28: Three games against New York Yankees:

- 7:15 p.m., Friday, April 26
- 1:05 p.m., Saturday, April 27
- 1:05 p.m., Sunday, April 28

# Monday, April 29 through Wednesday, May 1: Three games against Los Angeles Dodgers:

- 6:45 p.m., Monday, April 29
- 6:45 p.m., Tuesday, April 30
- 6:45 p.m., Wednesday, May 1

For details about transportation to the ballpark, including connections from Bay Area transit system to Muni, visit <u>https://www.sfmta.com/places/oracle-park</u>.

#### <u>Glen Park Festival</u>

**Sunday, April 28**: The 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Glen Park Festival will take place on Diamond Street in the Glen Park neighborhood. The event will take place from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For event details visit <u>http://glenparkfestival.com/about.shtml</u>.



# 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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