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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 holiday weekend, Friday, February 16 through Monday, February 19, 2018. 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.**

For real-time updates, follow us on www.twitter.com/sfmta_muni or visit <http://www.sfmta.com/signup> to sign up for real-time text messages or email alerts.

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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President's Day Holiday Muni Service and Parking Enforcement

Monday, February 19 (President's Day Holiday): Muni service will operate on a Saturday schedule.

Parking meters, seven-day and night street sweeping will be enforced citywide on the holiday. Residential parking permits, 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
 - Pierce Street Garage (between Lombard and Chestnut streets)

1st Annual Black History Month Parade

Monday, February 19: The First Annual Black History Month parade will depart Martin Luther King, Dr Pool located at Third Street and Carroll Avenue and will travel north along Third Street to the Bayview Opera House at Third Street and Newcomb Avenue.

Once at the Opera House there will be a celebration featuring food, cultural activities, performances, and prizes. The parade and celebration will take place between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

The following Muni routes may be affected:

- T Third
- 23 Monterey
- 24 Divisadero
- 44 O'Shaughnessy
- 54 Felton

CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES

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 is also replacing major utilities including water, sewer and emergency firefighting water systems. Work is also being done to repave Van Ness Avenue, enhance streetlights and landscaping, and install new sidewalk lighting and rain gardens.

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.

Monday, February 19: Between the hours of 8 p.m. and 7 a.m., sewer installation work will occur from McAllister to Eddy streets. Neighbors are advised to anticipate

construction-related noise, including grinding, as crews work diligently to complete this necessary night work.

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

ONGOING: Central Subway Project

Pavement renovation at 4th and Brannan streets and track work on 4th Street between Brannan and King streets is ongoing. Until further notice, traffic reroutes will remain in effect.

Sewer and water supply infrastructure replacement work continues at 4th and Folsom streets, Monday through Friday, from 8 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 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 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.

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: 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 2017, 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).

Due to a recent discovery of an old underground storage tank placed underneath the PG&E duct bank on Illinois and 18th streets, a site assessment by contractors and a city representative took place. Street excavation work to remove contents from the tank and additional testing will be needed. This unplanned work may delay completion of the sewer work.

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 February 2018.

For project details or to sign up to receive project updates, please visit:
<https://www.sfmta.com/missionbayloop>.

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 March 2018.

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.

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

Chinatown Community Street Fair

Saturday, February 24 and Sunday, February 25: The Chinatown Community Street Fair will be held this weekend. The street fair will take place along Grant Avenue between Clay and Broadway streets from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

For more event details, visit:

http://www.chineseparade.com/parade_events.asp?pEvent=community_fair.

More details to follow.

Chinese New Year Parade

Saturday, February 24: The Chinese New Year Parade will start from 2nd and Market streets at 5:15 p.m. The parade will travel west on Market Street, west on Geary Street, north on Powell Street, east on Post Street, north on Kearny Street to Columbus Avenue. The parade will disperse on Columbus Avenue between Pacific and Washington streets.

SFMTA will provide extra LRV Metro service to support the expected crowds.

More details to follow.

Black Cuisine Festival

Saturday, March 3: The 38th Annual Black Cuisine Festival will take place from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Dr. George W. Davis Senior Center on Carroll Avenue.

For more details see: <https://bhpmss.org/black-cuisine/>.

More details to follow.

Chinatown New Year Run

Sunday, March 4: The Chinatown New Year Run will begin at 8 a.m. and be followed by a festival in Portsmouth Square.

For more event details, visit <http://www.chineseparade.com/ymca.asp>.

More details to follow.

Upcoming Construction Project

Inner Sunset Streetscape Improvement and Muni Forward Project

Saturday, March 24 through Sunday, March 25: From start of regular service on Saturday, March 24, until end of regular service on Sunday, March 25, the N Judah line will operate on Muni buses from Duboce and Church streets to Ocean Beach.

The tunnel closure and bus substitution will facilitate the construction of the Inner Sunset Streetscape Improvement Project.

During the tunnel closure, N Judah train service will operate from Duboce and Church streets to King and 4th streets and with shuttle buses operating from Fillmore and Duboce streets to Ocean Beach. Shuttle buses will be rerouted to Frederick Street and Lincoln Way between Carl Street and 7th Avenue.

The project is a partnership between the SFMTA and the San Francisco Public Works (SFPW) to add streetscape amenities to the proposed transit bulb-outs in the area. The streetscape designs will enhance the beauty and walkability of the neighborhoods along the N Judah line from Cole Valley to 19th Avenue and to improve performance of the N Judah as part of Muni Forward program.

An additional 10-day closure is expected in 2019.

For more project details, visit www.sfmta.com/inersunset.

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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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