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# \*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\* SFMTA Weekend Transit and Traffic Advisory For Saturday, April 21, 2018

San Francisco—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) releases the following upcoming event-related traffic and transit impacts for this weekend, Friday, April 20 through next Wednesday, April 25, 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 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.

For additional notifications and agency updates, subscribe to our blog, Moving SF for daily or weekly updates.

## **Event at Golden Gate Park**

Friday, 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

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## Event at Golden Gate Park continued

- 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 SFPD may enforce additional street closures as crowds grow for public safety.

The following Muni lines and routes will be affected: N Judah; NX N Express; 6 Parnassus; 7 Haight/Noriega; 7R Haight/Noriega Rapid; 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.

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

**Saturday, April 21 and Sunday, April 22:** The 51<sup>st</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 more event details, please 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

#### 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

## Cherry Blossom Festival and Grand Parade continued

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.

## San Francisco Giants Baseball Game and Transportation Options

Monday, April 23 through Wednesday, April 25: The San Francisco Giants will play three home games against the Washington Nationals at AT&T Park. Listed below are start times for these games: 1) 7:15 p.m., Monday; 2) 7:15 p.m., Tuesday; and 3) 12:45 p.m., Wednesday.

For more event details, please visit <a href="http://sanfrancisco.giants.mlb.com">http://sanfrancisco.giants.mlb.com</a>.

## Muni Service to AT&T Park

The following Muni service will be available to and from the event: **E Embarcadero**; **T Third**; **N Judah**; **Metro Ballpark Shuttles**; **10 Townsend**; **30 Stockton**; **45 Union and 47 Van Ness**.

The SFMTA will provide additional train service of Metro "ballpark shuttles" to the existing N Judah and T Third service to the ballpark.

## Options for Buying Muni Tickets

## Muni Ticket Sales

 Muni customers can purchase one-way Muni transfers at the AT&T Park ticket windows located at 2<sup>nd</sup> and King streets and Willie Mays Plaza. Transfers will be sold from two hours before the game until the game begins, and again from the beginning of the 7<sup>th</sup> inning until 30 minutes after the game ends.

## San Francisco Giants Baseball Game and Transportation Options continued

- Baseball fans transferring from BART may purchase round trip Muni transfer tickets at the Embarcadero Station two and a half hours prior to the start time of the game.
- Transfers will be valid for up to two hours after the end of event.

## Muni Ticket Sales - In Person

Muni customers may purchase their fare in advance on-board vehicles and at any Muni ticket vending machine.

## Use of Clipper® Card

Event participants are encouraged to use Clipper® Card to get to AT&T Park. Customers using Bay Area public transportation systems are strongly encouraged to purchase their fares in advance or use Clipper® Card to attend the event. Customers using a Clipper Card receive 50 cents off an adult single ride when transferring to Muni from BART, Golden Gate Ferry and Transit, and San Francisco Bay Ferry routes (Oakland-Alameda, Harbor Bay and Vallejo). Golden Gate Ferry and Transit and San Francisco Bay Ferry provide the same discount on return trips.

To learn more about transfer discounts, please visit transfer discounts.

For more information on using Clipper on Muni, please visit clippercard.com/muni.

## Purchase Muni Fare using MuniMobile

Event participants may use <u>MuniMobile</u>, an official SFMTA app, to save time by instantly buying tickets for Muni bus, rail, cable car, and paratransit services on their iPhone and Android devices. Tickets can be purchased through a credit/debit card or PayPal account for individual or multiple riders on one smartphone. Customers can buy tickets ahead of time and activate when they are ready to ride - with MuniMobile, your phone is your fare.

## Purchase Single Ride Muni Fare Electronically

Muni customers who purchase fares in advance using a Clipper® Card or use the official SFMTA app, MuniMobile, can save 25 cents per trip. A single ride fare on Muni is good for 90 minutes of travel, whether it be on a single route or a trip with multiple transfers across buses and light rail.

For more details visit <a href="https://www.sfmta.com/getting-around/transit/fares-passes/single-rides-transfers">https://www.sfmta.com/getting-around/transit/fares-passes/single-rides-transfers</a>.

## San Francisco Giants Baseball Game and Transportation Options continued

#### Other Transportation to AT&T Park

#### Taxi Service

Temporary taxi stands for the event will be in place at the following locations:

- East side of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street between King and Townsend streets, seven spaces
- West side of 2<sup>nd</sup> street between King and Townsend streets, two spaces
- West side of 2<sup>nd</sup> street between Townsend and Brannan streets, five spaces
- West side of 3<sup>rd</sup> street between King and Townsend streets, five spaces

### **Transbay Service**

Event participants can also take a ferry to AT&T Park:

- From Oakland, Alameda and Vallejo, please go to http://sanfranciscobayferry.com
- From Larkspur/Marin County, please go to <a href="http://www.goldengateferry.org">http://www.goldengateferry.org</a>

Ferry will depart promptly 30 minutes after the final out.

For directions going to AT&T Park by various means of transportation, please visit the Giants website at <a href="http://sanfrancisco.giants.mlb.com">http://sanfrancisco.giants.mlb.com</a>.

For regional transit information for BART, Caltrain and the ferries as well as traffic, please go to <a href="https://www.511.org">www.511.org</a>.

#### **Special Event Parking Rates**

During baseball games and other events at AT&T Park, parking meters close to the ballpark will charge a special event rate of \$7 per hour. These rates help make more parking spots available in South Beach and Mission Bay and help reduce congestion by discouraging circling for free or cheap parking near the ballpark.

For more information and a map of the special event rate area, please visit <a href="https://www.sfmta.com/getting-around/drive-park/demand-responsive-pricing/event-pricing-evening-metering">https://www.sfmta.com/getting-around/drive-park/demand-responsive-pricing/event-pricing-evening-metering</a>.

## **Garage Parking**

If public transit is not a preferred option to attend the event, participants may consider parking in the City's garages at Moscone Center Garage located at 255 3<sup>rd</sup> Street or at Fifth & Mission Parking Garage located at 833 Mission Street. Both garages are about 15-20 minute walk from AT&T Park. Parking at these garages will be available in the afternoon and evening on most days. Rates listed are per hour:

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## San Francisco Giants Baseball Game and Transportation Options continued

#### Moscone Center Garage\*

Noon to 3 p.m.: \$5.50
3 to 6 p.m.: \$2.00
6 p.m. to Closing: \$1.00

## Fifth & Mission Parking Garage\*\*

6 a.m. to Noon: \$3.00
Noon to 6 p.m.: \$4.00
6 p.m. to 6 a.m.: \$3.00

As a reminder to fans, in order to reduce congestion on city streets after all events at AT&T Park, the SFMTA will close eastbound King Street between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> streets from the seventh inning until after the post-game traffic has died down. Additionally, the northbound portion of the 4<sup>th</sup> Street (Peter R. Maloney) Bridge will be closed to all traffic except streetcars, buses, taxis and bicycles during the post-game period. Giants fans parked south of Mission Creek Channel who are heading north of the channel are encouraged to exit to the south along 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> streets in order to avoid congestion on King and 3<sup>rd</sup> streets after AT&T Park events.

For details about transit service to AT&T Park, including connections from Bay Area transit systems to Muni, please visit <a href="http://www.sfmta.com/getting-around/destinations/att-park">http://www.sfmta.com/getting-around/destinations/att-park</a>.

For more event details, please visit http://sanfrancisco.giants.mlb.com.

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

<sup>\*</sup>Garage closes at 9 p.m., Sunday; at 12 a.m., Monday through Thursday; and at 2:30 a.m., Friday and Saturday. For more details, visit Moscone Center Garage.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Garage is open 24/7. For more details, visit Fifth & Mission / Yerba Buena Garage.

## <u>UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project continued</u>

Traffic lanes on Van Ness Avenue have been shifted to create two construction zones for upcoming utility work. 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.

## **Friday, April 20:** Between the hours of 8 p.m. and 7 a.m.:

- **Between Greenwich and Union streets**: Crews are scheduled to work on sewer main installation. Intense noise and vibrations are expected.
- Intersection at Eddy Street: Crews are scheduled to work on water main installation.
- Between McAllister and Grove streets: Crews are scheduled to work on the emergency firefighting water system.
- **Between Fell and Market streets**: Crews are scheduled to pothole to confirm underground utilities for upcoming sewer work.

Neighbors are advised to anticipate construction-related noise and vibrations, as crews work diligently to complete necessary night work.

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

## ONGOING: Twin Peaks Tunnel Improvements Weekend Early Closures

**Now until June 2018:** On weekend evenings and mornings, there will be preparatory work taking place inside Twin Peak Tunnel ahead of the summer closure. In order to allow this vital work to take place, stations will close early on Friday and Saturday nights. Buses will run in place of the K, L and M lines during closures of the Twin Peaks Tunnel.

#### Hours of Tunnel Closure and Bus Substitution on K, L and M Lines:

- From 11 p.m., Friday through 9 a.m., Saturday
- From 11 p.m., Saturday through 9 a.m., Sunday

#### During tunnel closure and bus substitution hours between 11 p.m. and 5 a.m.:

- K, L and M buses will service all stops
- Owl bus service will run as normal

Weekend train service will operate normally from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays.

## ONGOING: Twin Peaks Tunnel Improvements Weekend Early Closures continued

## Inbound Service between 5 and 9 a.m., Saturday and Sunday:

- L Customers: L buses will service all stops between San Francisco Zoo and Embarcadero
- K Customers: Board a K bus to West Portal Station and transfer to a L or KLM bus
- M Customers: Board an M bus to West Portal Station and transfer to a L or KLM bus

## Outbound Service between 5 and 9 a.m., Saturday and Sunday:

- L Customers: L buses will service all stops between Embarcadero and San Francisco Zoo
- K Customers: Board an L or KLM bus to West Portal Station and transfer to a K bus
- M Customers: Board an L or KLM bus to West Portal Station and transfer to an M bus

Customers can board all buses at Muni Shuttle route stops designated with a "Muni Metro Shuttle" yellow half-moon sign.

This preparatory work is being done ahead of the Twin Peaks Tunnel summer closure. In the summer, 100-year-old Twin Peaks Tunnel will be closed for up to 60 consecutive days in order to replace aging tracks and complete major tunnel improvements.

For more information about the Twin Peaks Tunnel Improvement Project, visit sfmta.com/twinpeaks.

# ONGOING: 8th and Market Boarding Island

**Now until Further Notice**: A new transit boarding island is currently under construction on 8<sup>th</sup> Street between Market and Stevenson streets. In coordination with a sewer upgrade effort, construction is in progress and may last until May 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.

## ONGOING: 8th and Market Boarding Island continued

- 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 <a href="mailto:sfmta.com/7th&8th">sfmta.com/7th&8th</a>.

## **ONGOING: 8th Street Safety Project Phase Two**

The 8<sup>th</sup> Street Safety Project Phase 2 will extend the parking-protected bikeway on 8<sup>th</sup> Street south by three blocks, from Harrison to Townsend streets. In addition, the project will construct pedestrian safety improvements, bus stop upgrades, signal upgrades, and reconfigure loading zones.

The project enters construction this month. Crews from both San Francisco Public Works and SFMTA are working diligently to complete these vital safety improvements.

#### Traffic/Transit Impact

- Bus boarding island construction will start at Harrison Street and followed by Brannan Street. Construction will take place after 7 p.m. on Fridays and from 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. on weekends. Pedestrian curb ramp installation will take place throughout the construction period.
- 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.
- During construction of boarding islands: 1) the 19 Polk bus stops at Harrison, Brannan, and Townsend streets may be temporarily relocated or closed; 2) Customers should follow posted signage to locate the closest 19 Polk bus stop during construction.

Work is currently scheduled to be completed in May, weather permitting. For more project details, please visit sfmta.com/7th&8th.

## ONGOING: Central Subway Project

Pavement restoration work has resumed at some intersections along 4<sup>th</sup> Street between King and Bryan streets. Construction of the 4<sup>th</sup> and Brannan streets surface station platform is ongoing. Until further notice, traffic reroutes will remain in effect.

Water supply infrastructure replacement work continues at 4<sup>th</sup> and Folsom streets, Monday through Friday, from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. During these work hours southbound 4<sup>th</sup> Street may be reduced to one lane and eastbound Folsom Street will be reduced to two lanes. Sewer replacement work continues at night at 4<sup>th</sup> and Howard streets. Work hours are from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. Three through lanes are in place southbound 4<sup>th</sup> 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 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: Muni Rail Rehabilitation Project

**Since Monday, April 9 and continuing for about three weeks**, N Judah track maintenance work will take place at the intersection of 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Judah Street. During construction, the N Judah rail service will operate without interruption. While Judah Street remains open, vehicular traffic along 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue at Judah Street will be detoured.

Work hours are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Neighbors can expect noise during construction. To accommodate vital materials and equipment, about six parking spaces will be unavailable near the job site.

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

**Now until Further Notice:** 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 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 3<sup>rd</sup> Street to 18<sup>th</sup>, Illinois and 19<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> and Illinois streets for the duration of the project (approximately until summer of 2018).

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 April 2018.

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

## 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 <u>sfpublicworks.org/polk</u>.

#### **Upcoming Events**

## **Glen Park Festival**

**Sunday, April 29**: The 20<sup>th</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, please visit http://glenparkfestival.com/about.shtml.

More details to follow.

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## Upcoming Events continued

## San Francisco Giants Baseball Games

**Tuesday, May 1 through Wednesday, May 2:** The San Francisco Giants will play two home games against the San Diego Padres at AT&T Park. Listed below are start times for these games: 1) 7:15 p.m., Tuesday, May 1; and 2) 12:45 p.m., Wednesday, May 2.

For details about transit service to AT&T Park, including connections from Bay Area transit systems to Muni, please visit <a href="http://www.sfmta.com/getting-around/destinations/att-park">http://www.sfmta.com/getting-around/destinations/att-park</a>.

For more event details, please visit <a href="http://sanfrancisco.giants.mlb.com">http://sanfrancisco.giants.mlb.com</a>.

More details of transportation options to follow.

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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!

For more information on Muni service, please call the San Francisco Customer Service Center at 311 or visit www.sfmta.com. For additional information on Muni's Accessible Services Program, please call (415) 701-4485 or TTY (415) 701-4730.

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