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## **\*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\***

**SFMTA Transit and Traffic Advisory for  
Thursday, December 15 through Wednesday, December 21, 2022**

**San Francisco**—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) releases the following upcoming event-related traffic and transit impacts for this week, from **Thursday, Dec. 15 through Wednesday, Dec. 21**.

For real-time updates, follow us on [https://twitter.com/sfmta\\_muni](https://twitter.com/sfmta_muni) or visit [SFMTA.com/EmailText](#) to sign up for real-time text messages or email alerts.

For details of Muni re-routes, visit [SFMTA.com/Updates](#). 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.

## Masks Recommended

Following the latest guidance from the [California Department of Public Health](#) (CDPH), San Francisco Department of Public Health (SFDPH) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), masks are strongly recommended but no longer required in any SFMTA facilities, transit hubs or on vehicles including Muni buses, streetcars, light rail vehicles or cable cars or in taxis or on paratransit.

## **CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES**

## **UPDATE: 16<sup>th</sup> Street Improvement Project**

As part of the Muni Forward Program and to improve reliability, speed and increase overall system effectiveness for the key 22 Fillmore route, the 16<sup>th</sup> Street Improvement Project is part of a larger network of proposed or planned improvements to the Muni system.



There is no active construction scheduled for this weekend. For more project details and the latest construction updates, visit [SFMTA.com/16thStreet](http://SFMTA.com/16thStreet).

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#### **UPDATE: L Taraval Improvement Project—Segment B**

The L Taraval Improvement project continues construction along Segment B replacing and repairing the infrastructure along the L Taraval line between Sunset Boulevard and 15th Avenue, and on Ulloa Street near West Portal. Work continues on water and sewer lines, as well as on the overhead contact system (OCS). OCS work is now focused on foundation work and installation of new poles. The project is a comprehensive infrastructure rehabilitation of sewer and water lines and streetscape project. The project will address safety concerns for customers boarding Muni, address the much-needed rehabilitation of aging sewer and water lines while bringing streetscape improvements to the Taraval corridor for added vibrancy.

The rail tracks west of the intersection of Ulloa and Madrone streets have been taken offline to complete construction. Work needs to be performed during construction to facilitate the reconstruction of the water and sewer mains as well as replace the tracks and overhead lines. The upgraded sewer and water lines, permanent boarding islands and increased accessibility will make riding safer and more reliable.

The L Bus now runs between West Portal and the SF Zoo. Customer can transfer to a train at West Portal Station to travel downtown.

**The inbound stop at Taraval Street and 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue has been relocated across the intersection until fall 2024.**

The relocation will be until the end of construction after the new tracks are laid and the L Taraval rail service is reactivated.

Construction is scheduled to take place from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

**The holiday construction moratorium for the L Taraval Improvement Project is in effect. Work on the following commercial corridors is suspended through Friday, Dec. 30: Taraval Street from 34<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> avenues; 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Ulloa and Taraval streets.**

For additional project details, visit [SFMTA.com/LTaraval\\_Project](http://SFMTA.com/LTaraval_Project). For project updates of work from Monday, Dec. 5 through Friday, Dec. 30, visit [www.sfmta.com/L-Taraval\\_Improvement\\_Project](http://www.sfmta.com/L-Taraval_Improvement_Project).



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

There is no active construction scheduled for this weekend. For more project details and the latest construction updates, visit [SFMFTA.com/VanNess](https://www.sfmta.com/VanNess).

### **UPDATE: Muni's Service Network**

**Central Subway Special Weekend Service** is open every Saturday and Sunday, from 8 a.m. to midnight through the end of the year, with free shuttle service between Chinatown Station and 4th & Brannan. Regular T Third service will continue to operate daily as usual with no change until Jan. 7, 2023.

Muni continues to expand service and implement the [2022 Muni Service Network plan](#) as resources allow. For details on Muni's current routes and service, visit individual route webpages or the [Muni Routes and Stops](#) webpage.

**The following Muni routes run from 5 a.m. to midnight daily:** 1 California, 5 Fulton, 8 Bayshore, 9 San Bruno, 14 Mission, 22 Fillmore, 24 Divisadero, 25 Treasure Island, 28 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 29 Sunset, 30 Stockton, 38 Geary, 43 Masonic, 44 O'Shaughnessy, 48 Quintara/24th Street and 49 Van Ness.

**Metro service runs until midnight daily.**

**Owl service runs from midnight to 5 a.m. nightly, except for the L Owl which begins service at 10 p.m.**

**24-Hour Owl Service Routes:** 5 Fulton; 14 Mission; 22 Fillmore; 24 Divisadero; 25 Treasure Island; 38 Geary; 44 O'Shaughnessy; 48 Quintara/24<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Until further notice, Muni buses will continue to serve the L Taraval Metro line between San Francisco Zoo and West Portal Station. Transfer to Muni Metro for service downtown. Additionally, Special L Taraval bus shuttle service is now running between San Francisco Zoo and Embarcadero, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., every 50 minutes.**

### **ONGOING**

#### **ONGOING: 19th Avenue (CA Route 1) Combined City Project**

San Francisco Public Works is leading a multi-agency project to replace aging infrastructure and improve safety along 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Holloway Avenue and Lincoln Way.



Construction work for the first and second segment of this project along 19th Avenue between Lincoln Way and Taraval streets was completed. Construction work for bulbouts in the third and fourth segment along 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Taraval Street and Holloway Avenue is ongoing.

As part of the [19th Avenue Combined City Project](#), the SFMTA will implement transit priority and safety improvements for people walking along 19th Avenue. The improvements will make it safer to walk, remove stops to make transit service more reliable, and enhance customers' experiences—on and off the bus.

To improve safety along 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue, the SFMTA will: **1)** install pedestrian bulbs at 19 intersections and transit bulbs at 13 intersections; **2)** modify traffic and pedestrian signals to give people who walk more time to cross the street; and **3)** extend the bus zone at one intersection. Installing transit bulbs allow Muni vehicles to stop for passengers without having to pull out of traffic, and pedestrian bulbs increase the visibility at intersections of people who walk.

As part of the project, seven Muni stops were removed on 19th Avenue between Irving Street and Ocean Avenue last October. **The following Muni routes have been affected with the stop removal:**

- **28 19th Avenue**
- **91 3rd Street/19th Avenue Owl**

To find additional information about the transit reliability and pedestrian safety components, visit [sfmta.com/28Rapid](#). For overall project information, visit [sfpublicworks.org/19th-Avenue](#).

### **ONGOING: Shared Spaces Program**

The city's multi-agency [Shared Spaces](#) program opened some parts of streets in San Francisco to create public space for outdoor dining, retail, cultural activities and physical distancing. The program allows the use of sidewalks, parking space, full or partial streets, or other nearby public spaces like parks and plazas for a wide range of activities responding to the COVID pandemic, as allowed by San Francisco's Public Health Order. For details, locations and updates on street closures related to Shared Spaces, visit [SFMTA.com/SharedSpaces](#).

### **ONGOING: Essential Trip Card Discount Program**

The SFMTA's temporary special program, [Essential Trip Card](#) (ETC) Program, will assist people with disabilities and older adults to make essential trips under Muni's temporary transit changes. The program provides two to three round trips at an 80% discount per month, i.e. rider pays \$6 to receive a value of \$30 or pays \$12 to receive a \$60 value. Riders may receive additional value up to \$120 of taxi service per month per customer upon request.



**To qualify for the program: customer must be either age 65 or older or an adult with disabilities.** Eligible adults may apply for the ETC program by calling 311 and mentioning the program. Staff will be available between 9 a.m. and 4:45 p.m., Monday through Friday. Visit <https://www.sfmta.com/etc> for additional details and for a list of San Francisco taxi companies, visit <https://www.sfmta.com/taxi/directory>.

**SFMTA's pre-existing Shop-a-Round program that offers registered seniors and people with disabilities personalized assistance and rides to and from grocery stores and farmers markets is still available and will continue post public health order.** For more information, visit <https://www.sfmta.com/shop-round>.

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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](http://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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