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# \*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\* SFMTA Transit and Traffic Advisory for Thursday, July 6 through Wednesday, July 12, 2023

**San Francisco**—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) releases the following upcoming event-related traffic and transit impacts for this week, from **Thursday**, **July 6 through Wednesday**, **July 12**, **2023**.

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For details of Muni re-routes, visit <u>SFMTA.com/Updates</u>. This website will be updated when it is closer to the event date.

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

#### **Masks Recommended**

Following the latest guidance from the <u>California Department of Public Health</u> (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.

#### San Francisco Giants Baseball Game

Friday, July 7 to Sunday, July 9: The San Francisco Giants will play three home games at the ballpark. Listed below are start times for these games and SF Giants to play:

• Three games against the Colorado Rockies: 1) 7:15 p.m., Friday, July 7; 2) 1:05 p.m., Saturday, July 8; and 3) 1:05 p.m., Sunday, July 9.

For more event details, visit <a href="https://www.mlb.com/giants">www.mlb.com/giants</a>.

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#### San Francisco Giants Baseball Game continued

#### Street Closures

To accommodate events that will take place at the ballpark, the following street closures will be enforced:

- Two and a half hours before the opening pitch, the SFMTA will close eastbound King Street between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> streets to vehicle traffic. King Street will reopen after first pitch until the seventh inning.
- From the seventh inning until post-game traffic dies down, the SFMTA will again close eastbound King Street between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> streets to vehicle traffic in order to reduce congestion on city streets.
- Additionally, the northbound portion of the 4th Street Bridge (Peter R. Maloney Bridge) will be closed to all traffic except Muni, taxis and bicycles during the post-game period.

#### Taxi Stands

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, west side, between Brannan and King Streets
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, east side, between Townsend and King Streets
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, east side, north of King Street

#### Special Event Parking Rates

During baseball games and other major events with more than 10,000 expected attendees at the ballpark, **parking meters close to the ballpark will charge a special event rate of \$9 per hour.** These rates help reduce congestion and keep parking spots available in the neighborhoods near the ballpark, discouraging circling for free or cheap parking. Start times for special event rates vary based on the start time of the event. More information on special event parking regulations can be found on www.sfmta.com/special-event-parking.

For additional details and about transportation to ballpark, visit <a href="www.sfmta.com/oracle-park">www.sfmta.com/oracle-park</a>.

## **Larkin Street Roadway Shared Space**

**Saturday, July 8**: The Tenderloin Lower Polk Merchants and Property Owners Association will host their monthly Roadway Shared Space on Larkin Street.

Larkin Street between Eddy and O'Farrell streets will be closed from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday.



# Larkin Street Roadway Shared Space continued

These closures will occur on the second Saturday of every month through Saturday, Dec. 9, 2023. For details visit <a href="https://www.tlmpa.org">www.tlmpa.org</a>.

The **19 Polk** Muni route will be rerouted.

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

# **UPDATE: 16th 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 <u>www.sfmta.com/16thStreet</u>.

#### **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.

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.

Work continues on water lines, as well as on the overhead contact system (OCS) that powers the trains. OCS work has transitioned to underground conduit work to support power to the trains and the new and existing streetlights. Curb ramp work has started with demolition and grading areas in preparation for construction of the new boarding ramps and to upgrade existing boarding ramps. Track work is expected to begin over the next few weeks.



# <u>UPDATE: L Taraval Improvement Project—Segment B continued</u>

The rail tracks west of the intersection of Ulloa and Madrone streets have been taken offline 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.

The tracks along Taraval Street are being prepared for the initial removal and installation of new rails. Rail work was temporarily paused upon discovery of a shallow PG&E line. The construction team inspected the area and lowered multiple gas lines. Construction resumed on Wednesday, June 28.

During construction, there are impacts when traveling along Taraval Street:

## Traveling by car:

- Taraval Street is open to through traffic for traveling eastbound and westbound.
- To access Taraval Street from 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, and 31<sup>st</sup> avenues, vehicles can only make a right turn to continue travel on Taraval Street.
- To allow large machinery to perform compaction work to support rail installation, temporary closure of one block at a time may be required at times.

# Traveling by bus:

The L Bus will be rerouted around the construction area. No bus stop relocations are planned at this time.

#### Traveling on foot:

Pedestrians can cross Taraval Street in the construction area at 30<sup>th</sup> Avenue via a pedestrian access during non-construction hours and weekends.



# <u>UPDATE: L Taraval Improvement Project—Segment B continued</u>

Saturday, July 8, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., construction to perform water line work, to excavate and service connections is scheduled to take place at locations listed below:

- Taraval Street at 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> avenues
- Taraval Street between 22<sup>nd</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> avenues
- 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Ulloa Street

Construction is scheduled to take place from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Extreme weather conditions may impact the construction schedule.

For additional project details, visit <u>SFMTA.com/LTaraval Project</u>. For project updates of work from Monday, July 3 through Saturday, July 15, visit <u>Project Update</u>.

#### **ONGOING**

# **ONGOING: Northeast Van Ness Station Entrance Closure**

Since Saturday, April 1, due to installation of the roll-up gate, the entrance located at the northeast corner of Market Street and Van Ness Avenue (next to the construction site) is closed for approximately three months.

To access Van Ness Station, customers can use the other three entrances on Market Street and Van Ness Avenue located at the:

- Southeast corner
- Southwest corner
- Northwest corner

For more information, visit SFMTA.com/VNentranceClosure.

## **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.

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

As part of the <u>19th Avenue Combined City Project</u>, 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 <u>sfmta.com/28Rapid</u>. For overall project information, visit <u>sfpublicworks.org/19th-Avenue</u>.

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

The SFMTA's program, <u>Essential Trip Card</u> (ETC) Program, assists people with disabilities and older adults to make essential trips using taxis. 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. If essential needs require it, riders may receive additional value up to \$120 of taxi service per month.

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 the Paratransit Mobility Management office at 415-351-7053. Staff are available weekdays between 9 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. Visit <a href="https://www.sfmta.com/etc">https://www.sfmta.com/etc</a> for additional details and for a list of San Francisco taxi companies, visit <a href="https://www.sfmta.com/taxi/directory">https://www.sfmta.com/taxi/directory</a>.

SFMTA's Shop-a-Round program which offers registered seniors and people with disabilities personalized assistance and rides to and from grocery stores and farmers markets is available as well. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.sfmta.com/shop-round">https://www.sfmta.com/shop-round</a>.



# **ONGOING: Shared Spaces Program**

The city's multi-agency <u>Shared Spaces</u> 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 about the new legislated program requirements, permit fees and training opportunities, visit <a href="Shared Space/San Francisco">Shared Space/San Francisco</a>(sf.gov).

For details, locations and updates on street closures related to Shared Spaces, visit SFMTA.com/SharedSpaces.

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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 <a href="www.sfmta.com">www.sfmta.com</a>. For additional information on Muni's Accessible Services Program, please call (415) 701-4485 or TTY (415) 701-4730.

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