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PRESS RELEASE SFMTA Transit and Traffic Advisory for Thursday, February 1, 2024 through Wednesday, February 7, 2024

San Francisco—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) releases the following upcoming event-related traffic and transit impacts for this week from Thursday, Feb. 1 through Wednesday, Feb. 7, 2024.

For real-time updates, follow us on 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.

Chinese New Year Flower Fair

Saturday, Feb. 3 and Sunday, Feb. 4: The Chinese New Year Flower Fair hosted by Chinese Chamber of Commerce will be held in Chinatown from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday and from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday. For more event details, visit chineseparade.com/flower-market-fair.

The following street closures will be required from 11 p.m., Friday, Jan. 13 to 11 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 15:

- Grant Avenue between California Street and Broadway
- Pacific Avenue between Columbus Avenue and Stockton Street
- Jackson Street between Stockton Street and Kearny Street
- Washington Street between Stockton Street and Kearny Street
- Intersections: Jackson Street at Grant Avenue, Washington Street at Grant Avenue and Pacific Avenue at Grant Avenue
- All alleys within the boundaries of the larger closure will also be closed

No Stopping Taxi Zone (For Pick Up and Drop Off Only) is designated in front of Hilton Hotel located at 750 Kearny Street.

The **12 Folsom-Pacific** Muni route will be re-routed.

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Lunar New Year Celebration on Balboa

Saturday, Feb. 3: A celebration of Lunar New Year is scheduled on Balboa Street in Richmond District. Event will take place from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday. For more event details, visit www.eventbrite.com/lunar-new-year-celebration-on-balboa.

The following street closures will be required from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 3:

- 37th Avenue between Balboa and Anza streets
- 37th Avenue between Cabrillo and Balboa streets.

There will be no impact on Muni service.

Tenderloin Tet Festival

Saturday, Feb. 3: The festival includes art, music, dance performances, food booths, informational booths with raffle tickets, a bounce house for children, and a mini garden will take place on Larkin Street in the Tenderloin District. This event is free to the public.

Larkin Street between Ellis and O'Farrell streets will be required from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 3.

The 19 Polk Muni route will be re-routed.

Kaiser Permanente San Francisco Half Marathon

Sunday, Feb. 4: The 39th annual Kaiser Permanente San Francisco Half Marathon, 10K and 5K will take place in Golden Gate Park. The 5K starts at 8:00 a.m. and traverses a point-to-point course within the park. The Half Marathon and 10K begin at 8:10 a.m. and head out to the Panhandle, back into the park, with the Half Marathon continuing out the Great Highway to the Zoo and back. All races finish near the corner of MLK and Bernice Rodgers. For more event details, visit <u>San Francisco Half Marathon</u>.

The following street closures will be required from 7:15 to 10 a.m. Each street will be reopened as the last runner goes through:

- Oak Street between Stanyan and Broderick streets
- Fell Street between Stanyan and Broderick streets
- Baker Street between Hayes and Page streets



Kaiser Permanente San Francisco Half Marathon continued

Street Closures continued

- Masonic Street between Hayes and Page streets
- Stanyan Street between Hayes and Page streets
- Kezar Drive between Stanyan Street and Lincoln Way
- John F Kennedy Drive between Stanyan Street and Great Highway

Both northbound and southbound Great Highway between Fulton Street and Skyline Boulevard will be closed from 8 a.m. to noon.

The following Muni routes will be affected: 18 46th Avenue; 33 Ashbury/18th; 43 Masonic; and 44 O'Shaughnessy.

CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES

UPDATE: L Taraval Improvement Project—Segment B

The L Taraval Improvement Project is a multi-agency collaboration to improve safety, accessibility and transit reliability, and to rehabilitate aging rails, utility lines and roadway pavement along the L Taraval line between Sunset Boulevard and 15th Avenue and on Ulloa Street near West Portal.

Work to install new rails, boarding islands, boarding ramps and curb ramps continues. Track installation is approximately 68% complete. The work zone for the track installation on Taraval Street between 19th and 22nd avenues is anticipated to be restricted to one lane of traffic in each direction until until Friday, Feb. 23, after which some parking will be released. The last track area activation is anticipated to start on Monday, Feb. 12, between 33rd Avenue and Sunset Boulevard.

Construction work is taking place at these locations:

- Taraval Street and 14th Avenue: water and sewer line work
- Taraval Street between 15th and 20th avenues: construct bulb-out, reconstruct sidewalk, curb ramp, boarding platforms
- Taraval Street between 19th and 22nd avenues: track area, remove and install tracks
- Taraval Street between 23rd and 31st avenues: construct sidewalks, boarding islands and ADA compliant platforms
- Taraval Street between 31st and 34th avenues: street base work, (intermittent street closures with one block at a time are expected), sidewalk reconstructions



CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES continued

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

Construction Locations continued

- Taraval Street between 34th Avenue and Sunset Boulevard: water, sewer line work and track work (anticipated work will start on Monday, Feb. 12)
- Ulloa Street between Forest Side and 15th avenues: track work, sidewalk reconstruction

Nighttime work is scheduled from Sunday through Friday, from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. on Taraval Street between 19th and 35th avenues to upgrade the Overhead Contact System (OCS) that powers the trains. Work on any given block will vary and is expected to take a few hours to a few days per location. OCS work is expected to be completed in June 2024.

The L Bus now runs between West Portal and the SF Zoo. Customers can transfer to a train at West Portal Station to travel downtown. An interactive bus reroute map with temporary bus stop relocations citywide during construction can be found on <u>Interactive Bus Reroute</u>.

During construction L Taraval bus stops are being relocated:

- 48 Quintara (Effective between Monday, Jan. 1 and Thursday, Feb. 15, 2024)
 - Inbound
 - o From 14th Avenue and Ulloa Street to Madrone Avenue and Ulloa Street, northwest corner
 - Outbound
 - From Ulloa Street and Lenox Way to West Portal Avenue and Ulloa Street, southeast corner
 - From 14th Avenue and Ulloa Street to Taraval Street and 14th Avenue, northeast corner
 - o From 14th Avenue and Taraval Street to northeast corner
- L Taraval Bus / L Special / L Owl (Effective between Wednesday, Jan. 3 and Friday, Feb. 16, 2024)
 - Inbound
 - o From Taraval and 15th Avenue to northwest corner
 - o From Taraval Street and 17th Avenue to Santiago Street and 17th Avenue, southwest corner
 - o From Taraval Street and 19th Avenue to northeast corner
 - o From Taraval and 22nd Avenue to Ulloa Street and 22nd Avenue, southwest corner



CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES continued

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

<u>L Taraval Bus Stops Relocation: L Taraval Bus / L Special / L Owl continued</u>

- Outbound
 - From Taraval Street and Forest Side Avenue to Ulloa Street and Lenox Way, northwest corner
 - o From Taraval Street and 15th Avenue to Taraval Street and 17th Avenue, southeast corner
 - o From Taraval Street and 19th Avenue to southwest corner
 - o From Taraval Street and 23rd Avenue to southeast corner

For additional project details, visit <u>SFMTA.com/LTaravalProject</u> For construction updates visit the <u>Project Update</u> page for construction updates from Monday, Jan. 29 through Saturday, Feb. 10, 2024.

ONGOING

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.

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.



ONGOING: Essential Trip Card Discount Program continued

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 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 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 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!

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