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# \*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\* SFMTA Weekend Transit and Traffic Advisory For Saturday, December 7, 2019

**San Francisco**—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) releases the following upcoming event-related traffic and transit impacts for this weekend, from Thursday, December 5 through next Wednesday, December 11.

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For details of Muni re-routes, visit<u>http://www.sfmta.com/news/alerts</u>. This website will be updated when it is closer to the event date.

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### Winter Walk SF

Now through Tuesday, December 31, 2019: The annual Winter Walk is relocating from Stockton Street to Grant Avenue between Geary and Post streets, and on Maiden Lane. Winter Walk runs from Friday, November 29 through Tuesday, December 31, 2019. A diverse program of activities is planned with food trucks, vendors, live performances and an open air beer and wine garden. For more details of Winter Walk SF. visit https://www.winterwalksf.com/.

The following street closures are required from Monday, November 25, 2019, and continuing through Friday, January 3, 2020:

- Grant Avenue between Post and Geary streets
- Maiden Lane between Stockton and Kearny streets

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## **Events at Chase Center**

**Thursday, December 5 through Wednesday, December 11**: There will be two concerts and two basketball games at the Chase Center. Doors will open approximately one hour before each event starts.

#### Concerts:

- **Thursday, December 5:** <u>Andrea Bocelli with San Francisco Symphony and Chorus</u> will be performing. Show will begin at 7:30 p.m.
- **Saturday, December 7:** <u>Trevor Noah</u> will be performing. Show will begin at 7:30 p.m.

### Basketball Games

- Monday, December 9: The Warriors will play against the Memphis Grizzlies. Game will start at 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, December 11: The Warriors will play against the New York Knicks. Game will start at 7:30 p.m.

#### Street Closures

To accommodate events that will take place at the arena, the following street closures will be enforced two hours before and one hour after each event:

- 16<sup>th</sup> Street between 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Warriors Way between 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Northbound 3<sup>rd</sup> Street between 16<sup>th</sup> Street and Warriors Way will also be closed approximately 30 minutes before an event ends and 45 minutes after an event ends.

### No Parking Zone

To facilitate loading and pick up for Muni customers and patrons, **NO PARKING** will be in effect at these locations during events:

- 16<sup>th</sup> Street between 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Warriors Way between 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Terry Francois Boulevard (TFB) between Warriors Way and the 700 Block of TFB
- Illinois Street between Mariposa and 16<sup>th</sup> streets

#### Taxi Stands

- Taxi Stands are located on Terry Francois Boulevard, one northbound and one southbound.
- Ramp Taxis should use the loading zone on eastbound Warriors Way (formerly South Street) at Bridgeview Way.



### Events at Chase Center continued

For details about transportation to the Chase Center, including Muni service and connections from the Bay Area transit system to Muni, visit <u>SFMTA.com/ChaseCenter</u>.

#### <u>SantaCon SF</u>

**Saturday, December 7**: The annual SantaCon SF event will begin at Union Square where people will dress up in Santa costumes walking through the streets spreading good cheer. There will be no planned streets closures or transit impact, however, there will be heavy pedestrian activities in downtown and North Beach area.

#### **GLIDE Grocery Bag Giveaway**

**Tuesday, December 10:** The annual GLIDE Grocery Bag Giveaway event will take place from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. For more details, visit <u>https://www.glide.org/events/2019-holidays-at-glide/</u>.

The following street closures are required from 7 p.m. Tuesday, December 10 through 3 p.m. Friday, December 11, 2019:

- Ellis Street between Leavenworth and Taylor street
- Jones Street between O'Farrell and Eddy streets

### CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES

#### **UPDATE: Townsend Corridor Improvement Project**

Muni customers, pedestrians, people on bicycles, drivers and other road users should be aware that construction is occurring at the intersection of Townsend and 4<sup>th</sup> streets next to the Caltrain station. Eastbound travel on Townsend Street from 4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> streets will be reduced to a single lane between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. on work days. Please follow posted signs as the construction zone will move as progress continues.

Note that riders on bicycles, scooters and other two-wheeled vehicles are not permitted on the boarding island, but must share the travel lane. Please use designated crosswalks and do not attempt to cross through the construction zone in order to reach the street.



#### UPDATE: Townsend Corridor Improvement Project continued

Temporary passenger loading zones for private cars, ride hail, paratransit, private shuttles and other vehicles are now located on both sides of Townsend Street mid-block between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> streets. Taxi pick up and drop off is temporarily located on 4<sup>th</sup> Street at the entrance to the Caltrain Station.

For more information about this project, visit: <u>www.sfmta.com/townsend</u>.

Access for people walking, biking, and driving will be maintained during construction both at the Caltrain station and throughout the Townsend corridor. Signs on location will be regularly updated while crews work on the projects in sections throughout the corridor. Construction will generally occur between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday with some night and weekend work.

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

**On Friday, December 6, between the hours of 8 p.m. and 7 a.m**., crews are scheduled to work on installing a joint-utility trench, traffic striping and sewer main installation at the following locations:

- Van Ness between Greenwich and Filbert streets
- Van Ness at Bush Street
- Van Ness between Fell and Market streets (Intensive noise and vibration is expected)
- Van Ness between Market and Mission streets (Intensive noise and vibration is expected)

**On Saturday, December 7, between the hours of 8 p.m. and 7 a.m.,** crews are scheduled to work on post foundation and other work at the following locations:

- Van Ness between Pine and Bush streets (Intensive noise and vibration is expected)
- Van Ness between Bush and Sutter streets (Intensive noise and vibration is expected)

Because some work requires reducing Van Ness Avenue to one lane in each direction, some work is limited to nighttime hours. Construction scheduling is subject to change due to weather delays or unexpected field conditions. For more project details and the latest construction updates, visit <u>sfmta.com/vanness</u>.

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## ONGOING: Muni Track Maintenance Work at 24th Avenue & Judah Street

**Since Tuesday, November 12 and continuing for about four weeks**. N Judah track maintenance work is taking place at the intersection of 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Judah Street. Work hours are from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Saturday. During construction hours:

- The N Judah service will operate without interruption.
- While Irving Street will remain open, vehicular traffic along Judah at 24th Avenue will be detoured.
- To accommodate the construction, about four parking spaces will be unavailable near the job site 24 hours a day for the duration and an additional 14 parking spaces will be unavailable during construction hours.
- Crosswalks and sidewalks may be closed occasionally.

### **ONGOING: L Taraval Improvement Project**

**Since Thursday, August 15, 2019**, traffic pattern on lower Great Highway between Ulloa and Santiago streets has been changed. Northbound travel lane on lower Great Highway has been rerouted to 48<sup>th</sup> Avenue for two blocks between Ulloa and Santiago streets. Southbound travel lane will continue on lower Great Highway as usual. This will be in effect until project completion in 2022.

**Monday, December 2 to Friday, December 13:** Construction crew are performing sewer main replacement and water line work on the northside of Taraval Street between 46<sup>th</sup> and 43<sup>rd</sup> avenues; and between 40<sup>th</sup> and 37<sup>th</sup> avenues. Work hours are from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Some parking spaces are temporarily restricted in the construction zones and traffic lanes have been modified in the northbound lane during active work.

For project details, visit<u>sfmta.com/projects/LTaravalProject</u>.

### **ONGOING: Jefferson Streetscape Improvement Project**

**Since October 2019 and continuing for the next 12 months**, the E Embarcadero and F Market & Wharves streetcars will turn back at Pier 39 due to construction on the Jefferson Streetscape Improvement Project. The last inbound stop is on The Embarcadero at Pier 39.

Customers wishing to ride to further destinations may board a bus shuttle at that stop, which operates in a loop to serve the missed E Embarcadero and F Market & Wharves stops along Fisherman's Wharf.



#### ONGOING: Jefferson Streetscape Improvement Project continued

Riders wishing to return to downtown locations on the E Embarcadero and F Market & Wharves lines must board across the street from Pier 39 on Beach Street in front of the parking lot at the Academy of Art University.

For more information about Phase Two of the Jefferson Streetscape Improvement Project, visit <u>http://www.sfpublicworks.org/jefferson</u>.

**Since October 2019 and continuing to early February 2020**, due to construction on Jefferson Street between Taylor and Jones streets, bus shuttles will not serve the stop at Jones and Beach streets. Customers should use alternate stops, at Jones and Taylor streets or at Beach and Mason streets.

## **ONGOING: Third Street Bridge Rehabilitation Project**

Nighttime construction work will continue to take place between the hours of 8 p.m. and 7 a.m. and is anticipated to continue periodically through January 2020.

To minimize traffic impacts, short duration (i.e. for 30 to 60 minutes at a time) bridge closures will be utilized. These short duration closures will occur a few times on:

• Wednesday, November 27 between the hours of 12 a.m. and 6 a.m.

During these short duration closures, access across the bridge will be restricted for all vehicle, bicycle and pedestrian traffic.

**Monday, December 2 through Thursday, December 5**: A full bridge closure is scheduled to occur starting at 12:01 a.m., Sunday December 1 to 3 p.m., Thursday, December 5.

Since July, crews have begun phase two of the rehabilitation work. Phase two construction work involves travel lane shifts and other adjustments to the roadway and work area. Vehicle and bicycle access via travel lanes across the bridge continue to be available in each direction, northbound and southbound (except during periods of full temporary bridge closures when the pending scope of work restricts access across the bridge for all vehicle, bicycle and pedestrian traffic). Pedestrian access is available via the sidewalk along the eastern side of the bridge. People on bike may also choose to walk their bicycle along the pedestrian sidewalk as an alternative to riding across the bridge via the travel lane.



#### ONGOING: Third Street Bridge Rehabilitation Project continued

Pedestrian access via the sidewalk along the western side of the bridge may be unavailable during different phases of upcoming work.

Third Street Bridge is open and access across the bridge is available. Please note, to complete remaining rehabilitation work, future short duration full bridge closures are anticipated to occur in late November and early December 2019. Closure details will be announced as soon as information is finalized.

Construction scheduling is subject to change due to rain or other weather delays, equipment breakdown, and/or unforeseen field conditions. Additional periods of short closures may be possible in September and October 2019, if necessary, to complete remaining rehabilitation work. Information will be shared closer to that period should additional closures seem necessary and details are finalized. Updates will be posted to the project webpage. For details about the project, the latest construction updates and suggested detour routes for pedestrians, bicyclists and vehicles, visit: www.sfpublicworks.org/thirdstreetbridge.

#### Upcoming Event

#### **Events at Chase Center**

Saturday, December 14 through Tuesday, December 31: There will be multiple events at Chase Center.

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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. 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.

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