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# \*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\*

# SFMTA Weekend Transit and Traffic Advisory for Weekends of Saturday, Dec. 26, 2020 and Saturday, Jan. 2, 2021

**San Francisco**—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) releases the following upcoming event-related traffic and transit impacts for holiday weekends of Christmas and New Year, from **Friday, Dec. 25 through Sunday, Jan. 3, 2021**.

For real-time updates, follow us on <u>https://twitter.com/sfmta\_muni</u> or visit <u>SFMTA.com/EmailText</u> to sign up for real-time text messages or email alerts.

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</u> updates.

# Parking Enforcement for Christmas and New Year's Day

**On Christmas Day, Friday, Dec. 25, 2020 and New Year's Day, Friday, Jan. 1, 2021,** the following parking regulations will not be enforced anywhere in the city:

- Parking meters (including Port meters)
- Seven-day street sweeping
- Residential parking permits
- Monday-Friday daytime street sweeping
- Commuter towaway

# On Christmas Day, Friday, Dec. 25, 2020 and New Year's Day, Friday, Jan. 1, 2021, the Safety Violations (No Stopping, No Parking, Red Zones, Blue Zones) will be enforced

Vehicles creating a hazard and/or an unsafe condition (i.e. double parking, blocking a bike lane, blocking driveways, blocking crosswalks, fire hydrants, etc.) are subject to receiving citations and can possibly be towed.

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# Parking Enforcement for Christmas and New Year's Day continued

Note: Parking meters in the city are enforced Monday through Saturday with an exception of the following areas where parking meters are enforced seven days per week throughout the year except Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day:

- Parking meters in the Fisherman's Wharf area
- On and near The Embarcadero roadway
- In the Special Event Area around AT&T Park
- Five metered off-street parking facilities listed below:
  - o 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue at Clement Street
  - o 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue at Clement Street
  - Geary Boulevard at 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue
  - o 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue at Geary Boulevard
  - Pierce Street Garage (between Lombard and Chestnut streets)

# Muni Schedule for Christmas and New Year's Day

On Christmas Day, Friday, Dec. 25, 2020 and New Year's Day, Friday, Jan. 1, 2021, Muni will operate with Sunday schedule on both days.

# **CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES**

# **UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project**

# No construction activity is scheduled for Christmas Day, Friday, Dec. 25, 2020 and New Year's Day, Friday, Jan. 1, 2021.

Current lane changes will remain in place. For more project details and the latest construction updates, visit <u>SFMTA.com/VanNess</u>.

# <u>ONGOING</u>

# ONGOING: Muni Service During the COVID-19 Shelter-In-Place Order

# Until further notice, Muni buses will continue to serve the K Ingleside, L Taraval, M Ocean View, N Judah and T Third Metro lines.

To learn more information about bus substitution for Muni rail lines visit <u>Muni's Bus</u> <u>Substitution for All Rail Lines</u>. For information about upcoming service changes, <u>read our latest</u> <u>service change blog</u>.

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# ONGOING: Muni Service During the COVID-19 Shelter-In-Place Order continued

Some Muni routes have been modified under the current health order. For details of Muni's individual lines/routes, visit each route's webpage or the <u>Muni Core Service Plan</u>.

- Core Routes in Service: J Church (Balboa Park to Church & Duboce streets); K Ingleside (Balboa Park to Embarcadero); L Taraval Bus (all buses) (SF Zoo to Embarcadero); N Judah Bus (Ocean Beach to 4th and King streets); M Ocean View Bus (Balboa Park to West Portal); T Third Bus (Sunnydale to Castro); 1 California; 5 Fulton; 7 Noriega; 8 Bayshore (rerouted to Stockton); 9 San Bruno, 9R San Bruno Rapid (weekday only); 12 Folsom/Pacific (Financial District to Russian Hill), 14 Mission; 14R Mission Rapid; 19 Polk; 22 Fillmore; 24 Divisadero; 25 Treasure Island; 28 19th Avenue (Daly City BART to California Street & 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue); 29 Sunset; 30 Stockton; 37 Corbett (Twin Peaks and Van Ness & Market Street); 38 Geary; 38R Geary Rapid; 43 Masonic (Geary Boulevard to Crocker Amazon); 44 O'Shaughnessy; 45 Union-Stockton; 48 Quintara/24th Street (20th at 3rd streets and West Portal Station); 49 Van Ness/Mission (extended from North Point to Powell and Beach); 54 Felton (Daly City BART to Hunters Point); and 67 Bernal Heights.
- Late-night Owl routes start at 10 p.m. (instead of 1 a.m.) All regular Owl routes are in operation, except 5 Fulton and 48 Quintara/24th Street.
- The following routes are running 24 hours a day or providing special Owl Service: L Owl; N Owl; 14 Mission; 22 Fillmore; 24 Divisadero; 25 Treasure Island; 38 Geary; 44 O'Shaughnessy; 90 San Bruno Owl; 91 3rd Street/19th Avenue Owl.

# **ONGOING: L Taraval Improvement Project**

Since Thursday, Dec. 17 and continuing through Wednesday, Jan. 6, 2021 due to construction work, the L Bus is rerouted from Taraval Street between 40<sup>th</sup> and 46<sup>th</sup> avenues. The following temporary bus stop changes will be in place at all hours:

- Inbound stop at Taraval and 44<sup>th</sup> Avenue has been temporarily relocated to Ulloa Street and 44<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- Inbound stop at Taraval and 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue has been temporarily relocated to Ulloa Street and 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue
- Inbound stop at Taraval and 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue has been temporarily relocated to 39<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Taraval Street
- Outbound stop at Taraval and 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue has been temporarily relocated to 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Taraval Street.



# ONGOING: L Taraval Improvement Project continued

- Outbound stop at Taraval and 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue has been temporarily relocated to Ulloa Street and 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue.
- Outbound stop at Taraval Street and 44<sup>th</sup> Avenue has been temporarily relocated to Ulloa Street and 44<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
- Outbound stop at 46<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Ulloa Street has been temporarily relocated to Ulloa Street and 46<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**Since Aug. 2019**, the traffic pattern on lower Great Highway between Ulloa and Santiago streets has been changed. The northbound travel lane on lower Great Highway has been rerouted to 48th Avenue for two blocks between Ulloa and Santiago streets. The southbound travel lane will continue on lower Great Highway as usual. This will be in effect until project completion in fall 2021. For project details, visit <u>SFMTA.com/LTaraval Project</u>.

# 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 segment of this project along 19th Avenue between Lincoln Way and Noriega Street has begun.

As part of the <u>19th Avenue Combined City Project</u>, the SFMTA will implement transit priority and safety improvements for people walking along the route of the 28 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.



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

As part of the project, seven Muni stops were removed on 19th Avenue between Irving Street and Ocean Avenue on Oct. 17. **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: Eureka Curve Tunnel Work**

**Since Monday, Nov. 30**, construction crews have begun maintenance work inside the Twin Peaks Tunnel. Most materials and equipment will enter the tunnel at the Eureka Curve, the area on Market Street between Diamond and Collingwood streets. For more project details, visit <u>SFMTA.com/EurekaCurve</u>.

Construction work is scheduled between 7:30 a.m. and 8 p.m., Monday to Saturday. Work hours are subject to change based on construction needs. Work will be limited to within tunnel area, no night work will be performed in the public right of way. It is anticipated the project will last for about three months.

While crews are working in the construction zone, there will be temporary changes in the area:

- One-lane street closure in each direction on Market Street between Diamond and Castro streets.
- Parking will be temporarily restricted on Market Street between Diamond and Castro streets.
- No access to Market Street from Collingwood Street. Local access will only be allowed from 18<sup>th</sup> Street.
- Material and equipment staging will be on both sides of Market Street between Diamond and Collingwood streets.
- Heavy equipment will enter through West Portal Station tunnel most morning for about an hour. There will be no parking impacts or traffic lane changes near West Portal Station area.



# **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 and physical distancing. The program allows the use of sidewalks, full or partial streets, or other nearby public spaces like parks and plazas for restaurant pick-up and other neighborhood retail activity, as allowed by San Francisco's Public Health Order. For details, locations and updates on street closures related to Shared Spaces visit <u>SFMTA.com/SharedSpaces</u>.

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

The SFMTA's temporary special program, <u>Essential Trip Card</u> (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. The discount is limited to a value of \$60 taxi service per month per customer.

**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 <u>https://www.sfmta.com/etc</u> for additional details and for a list of San Francisco taxi companies, visit <u>https://www.sfmta.com/taxi/directory</u>.

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 <u>https://www.sfmta.com/shop-round</u>.

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

For Muni route, schedule, fare and accessible services information anytime: Visit <u>www.sfmta.com</u> or contact 311 **311 Free language assistance** / 免費語言協助 / Ayuda gratis con el idioma / Бесплатная помощь переводчиков / Trợ giúp Thông dịch Miễn phí / Assistance linguistique gratuite / 無料の言語支援 / 무료 언어 지원 / Libreng tulong para sa wikang Tagalog / การช่วยเหลือทางด้านกามาโดยไม่เสียค่าใช้งาย / المساعدة المجاني على الرقم