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PRESS RELEASE SFMTA Weekend Transit and Traffic Advisory

San Francisco—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) releases the following upcoming event-related traffic and transit impacts for this weekend, Saturday, August 26 through next Wednesday, August 30, 2017. Anyone traveling in San Francisco can check www.sfmta.com or call 311 to find out which of the 83 Muni lines will get them where they want to go. 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.

For real-time updates, follow us on <u>www.twitter.com/sfmta_muni</u> or visit http://www.sfmta.com/signup to sign up for real-time text messages or email alerts.

For details of Muni re-routes, visit http://www.sfmta.com/news/alerts. 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.

Multiple Weekend Demonstrations

Saturday, August 26: There will be multiple demonstrations, rallies and marches in San Francisco on Saturday. The two primary gathering points are Crissy Fields and Civic Center Plaza with multiple groups set to convene. Other rallies and marches are anticipated in various parts of the city. These events are expected to begin at noon on Saturday.

The city has a transportation plan in place to ensure the safety of people who will need to get around. Where possible, please use public transit, walk, ride a bike or hail a taxi. There will be increased congestion in the surrounding areas and parking will be limited.

The SFMTA will provide supplemental subway service to transport customers.

Multiple Weekend Demonstrations continued

For events in the Civic Center area, there are no plans for street closures, but **PARKING** will **NOT** be allowed on all streets around the Plaza or in the garage. During the course of the event, personnel from the SFMTA and the San Francisco Police Department will be on site to direct traffic. To ensure public safety, SFPD personnel may decide street closures around the event area are necessary.

Additional details will be released as plans are finalized.

Muni Service Impact

For the safety and security of our customers and operators, there will be adjustments to Muni service:

- There will be **NO Muni service** in the Presidio or Marina neighborhoods starting at noon.
- There will be **NO SERVICE** for the 76X Marin Headlands route all day on Saturday.
- The 28 19th Avenue route WILL NOT SERVE the Golden Gate Bridge Toll Plaza.
- The following Muni lines will operate by Muni buses: California Cable Car; Powell-Mason Cable Car; Powell-Hyde Cable Car and F Market & Wharves.
- The following Muni routes will be re-routed: 22 Fillmore; 28 19th Avenue; 30 Stockton; 43 Masonic and 45 Union/Stockton.
- The following Muni routes may also be re-routed, depending on changing conditions: E Embarcadero; F Market & Wharves; 5 Fulton; 19 Polk and 21 Hayes.
- Muni bus shuttles will be available after the Crissy Field events from Marina Boulevard to the Ferry Building.

To facilitate needed adjustments throughout the transportation system and to provide the necessary service to keep people moving, city staff will closely monitor the situation and will restore service as soon as nearby areas are cleared.

Details of Muni service can be found at https://www.sfmta.com/calendar/alerts/august-26-demonstrations.

Giant Race Half Marathon

Sunday, August 27: The annual San Francisco Giant Race will take place. The Half Marathon, 10K and 5K races will take place along The Embarcadero, Fisherman's Wharf and the Marina. The Half Marathon and 10K races will start at 7 a.m. The 5K race will start at 10:50 a.m.

For more event details, please visit http://www.race-sfgiants.com/san-francisco. Course maps are available online: Half Marathon; 10K and 5K.

The race will start south of AT&T Park, continue north on The Embarcadero, west along Fisherman's Wharf, through Fort Mason and the Presidio, returning along the same route to conclude inside AT&T Park.

The following street closures will be required:

From 11 p.m., Saturday, to 2 p.m., Sunday:

- Eastbound King Street between 2nd and 3rd streets
- Northbound Embarcadero between 2nd and Townsend streets
- Northbound 3rd Street between King and Channel streets
- Terry A. Francois Boulevard between 3rd and Mission Rock streets

From 5 to 1 p.m., Sunday:

Northbound Embarcadero between Townsend and Broadway streets

From 5 to 12:30 p.m., Sunday:

- Beach between Embarcadero and Jones Streets
- Jones between Beach and Jefferson Streets.

From 5 to 11 a.m., Sunday:

- Jefferson Street between The Embarcadero and Aquatic Park
- Northbound Embarcadero between Broadway and Jefferson streets
- Northbound Laguna Street between Marina Boulevard and Bay Street
- Westbound Bay Street between Laguna Street and Van Ness Avenue
- Westbound Marina Boulevard between Laguna and Lyon streets
- Southbound Van Ness Avenue between Bay Street and Aquatic Park

From 5 to 9 a.m., Sunday:

- Hyde Street between Beach and Jefferson streets
- Polk Street between North Point and Beach streets
- Westbound Beach Street between Hvde and Polk streets
- Westbound North Point Street between Polk Street and Van Ness Avenue

Giant Race Half Marathon continued

The following Muni lines and routes will be affected: **Powell/Hyde Cable Car**; E Embarcadero; F Market & Wharves; KT Ingleside/Third Street; N Judah; N Owl; 19 Polk; 28 19th Avenue; 30 Stockton; 39 Coit; 47 Van Ness; 49 Van Ness/Mission; N Judah Early Morning Shuttle; and T Third Early Morning Shuttle.

Safer Taylor Street Project Pop-up Event

Wednesday, August 30: The SFMTA project team will stage a pop-up workshop along Taylor Street between Turk and Eddy streets from noon to 6 p.m., next Wednesday. The purpose of this event is to have community members experience and learn about potential safety and livable treatments that could impact on Taylor Street between Market and Sutter streets.

From 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Wednesday, the following change on Taylor Street between Turk and Eddy streets will be in effect:

- One northbound traffic lane will be closed.
- Parking on the west side will be restricted.

Although minimal traffic impact is expected, motorists traveling north on Taylor Street may use alternate streets such as Larkin or Leavenworth streets to reach their destinations on north of Taylor at Eddy streets.

There will be no impact on Muni service.

The Safer Taylor Street project is a critical component of the City's Vision Zero goal to eliminate all traffic deaths. From 2011 to 2016, there were 109 collisions on the segment of Taylor Street from Market to Sutter streets, 69 of which involved pedestrians and cyclists. The Safer Taylor Street Project intends to implement a range of improvements to the corridor, which will focus on: 1) Pedestrian safety and accessibility; 2) Cyclist safety and mobility; 3) Calming traffic speeds; and 4) Promoting livable streets for Taylor Street residents and businesses.

CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES

UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project

Friday, August 25 to Saturday, August 26: Evening work is scheduled from approximately 10 p.m., Friday to 6 a.m., Saturday to remove existing traffic stripping and delineate new lanes. This will occur on Van Ness Avenue between Grove and Bush streets as well as from Washington to Lombard streets.

<u>UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project continued</u>

The SFMTA is planning to develop work zones for upcoming utility work on Van Ness Avenue. This planning work will create two construction zones that will be approximately five feet from the building line to approximately the center of the roadway:

- Southbound on Van Ness Avenue from Sutter to McAllister streets
- Northbound from Jackson to Lombard streets

To make space for these construction zones, the following changes will occur:

- **Beginning Tuesday, August 22**, blue curb parking for people with disabilities and loading zones has been temporarily relocated (see map for locations).
- **Beginning Wednesday, August 23**, bus stop located on southbound Van Ness at McAllister has been reconfigured.
- **Beginning Monday, August 28**, southbound traffic lanes are expected to be shifted.
- Beginning Monday, August 28, parking along southbound Van Ness between Sutter and McAllister streets is expected to be temporarily removed for construction.
- Beginning Tuesday, September 5, northbound traffic lanes are expected to be shifted
- Beginning Tuesday, September 5, parking along northbound Van Ness between Jackson and Lombard streets is expected to be temporarily removed for construction.

The Van Ness Improvement Project is a civic improvement project that will bring San Francisco's first Bus Rapid Transit system. To maximize the benefits of construction, the City will also be replacing major utilities including water, sewer and emergency firefighting water systems. Work will also be done to repave Van Ness Avenue, enhance streetlights and landscaping, and install new sidewalk lighting and rain gardens.

For more project details and the latest construction updates, please visit sfmta.com/vanness.

UPDATE: Central Subway Project

Sewer replacement and roadway restoration work is underway on 4th Street between Bryant and King streets. Traffic reroutes remain in effect for the next several weeks. Some night work may occur on 4th Street between Bryant and King streets between 8 p.m. and 5 a.m. for the next two weeks.

UPDATE: Central Subway Project continued

Sewer and water supply infrastructure replacement work continues at 4th and Folsom streets, Monday through Friday, from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. During these work hours southbound 4th Street will be reduced to one lane and eastbound Folsom Street will be reduced to two lanes. Sewer replacement work has resumed at 4th and Howard streets, Monday through Friday, from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. A 24/7 lane closure is now in place on the west side of 4th Street just south of Howard intersection. Two through lanes are in place southbound 4th Street.

Night time closure of Ellis Street between Powell and Stockton streets continues from 9 p.m. through 5 a.m. for utility work. Work may impact the walkway on the north side of Market Street at Ellis and Stockton streets between the hours of 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. to facilitate utility work.

The Central Subway project is the first underground line to link the north and south corridors of the city, and will provide a direct connection to major retail, sporting and cultural venues while efficiently transporting people to jobs, educational opportunities and other amenities throughout San Francisco.

For project updates, please visit:

https://www.sfmta.com/projects-planning/projects/central-subway-project

ON-GOING: Construction Project in Treasure Island

Now through Sunday, September 3: Contractor is conducting construction work on Treasure Island.

The following street closures are required during the course of construction:

- Avenue H between California Avenue and 3rd Street
- Avenue H between 9th and 13th streets

The **25 Treasure Island** Muni route will be rerouted during all hours of service.

ON-GOING: BART'S Major Escalator Repair at Montgomery Station

Now until Further Notice: Since Monday, July 24 crews from BART has been conducting repair work on street-level escalator at the station entrance at Market and 2nd streets. The work is estimated to continue until mid-October.

During the course of this repair work, BART/Muni station entrance at Market and 2nd streets will be closed.

ONGOING: Balboa Park Station Area Improvement Project

Balboa Park Station and the surrounding area is one of the highest ridership BART stations outside of downtown San Francisco. There are multiple ongoing projects that aim to improve the safety and accessibility for road users and riders travelling to and from the area. The **Green Light Rail Center Track Replacement Project, located on Geneva and San Jose avenues,** is one of these projects to improve system reliability with track replacements, upgrades to the overhead contact system and installation of accessible ramps and some landscape improvements.

The J-Church Rail Service remains rerouted until construction project is complete in Fall 2017. The K Ingleside Line has resumed its normal route.

Temporary Change: Both inbound and outbound service is on San Jose Avenue.

Customers traveling inbound should board at the temporary stop in the southeast corner of San Jose and Geneva avenues, across the street from the inbound stop for the M Ocean View line (Accessible boarding at Seneca Avenue).

Customers travelling outbound will be dropped off at the existing accessible M line stop on San Jose Avenue at Geneva Avenue (Accessible off-boarding at Wayside lift).

For more project details, please visit sfmta.com/greenlightrail.

ONGOING: Construction of Mission Bay Loop

Now until Further Notice: The SFMTA has resumed construction on 18th, 19th and Illinois streets, the project is expected to be completed in approximately four months.

The Mission Bay Loop is a key component for San Francisco's T Third rail line and is critical to operating the T Third Central Subway service plan. The loop provides turn-around capabilities for the T Third Street light rail line via a connection of trackway from 3rd Street to 18th, Illinois and 19th streets, which will allow the SFMTA to operate the necessary service levels needed to support current and planned growth within the eastern portion of San Francisco.

Traffic, including travelling by bike, may be affected by the construction work. All work areas will be clearly marked and there will be flaggers to help direct traffic. Traveling around and through the construction area should expect minor delays.

ONGOING: Construction of Mission Bay Loop continued

Since early April, the contractor has been working on the sewer infrastructure within the center of Illinois Street starting at 18th and Illinois streets. General work hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Construction activity will not take place two hours before and two hours after SF Giants day games.

In order to conduct the work, parking on both sides including along the historical Crane Cove Park fence (east side of Illinois Street) will be removed 24 hours, 7 days a week from 18th to 19th and Illinois streets for the duration of the project (approximately until November 2017).

Traffic lanes traveling both north and south will remain open and there will be flaggers posted to help direct traffic. The northbound bike lane will be converted to a shared roadway. Expect minor delays when traveling around and through the construction area.

Local access to properties along the project site will be maintained. Sewer work is scheduled to be completed by August 2017.

For project details or to sign up to receive project updates, please visit: https://www.sfmta.com/missionbayloop.

ONGOING: Fuel Tank Replacement at Muni Kirkland Bus Yard

Now until further notice: Since May SFMTA crews have been working to replace two underground fuel tanks at Muni's Kirkland Bus Yard in Fisherman's Wharf. This replacement project will bring the tanks up to code, improve safety and make fueling faster and more efficient.

During construction:

- The streetcar stop at Beach and Stockton streets has been relocated from the southwest corner to the southeast corner. The closest wheelchair accessible stop is at Beach and Mason streets. The following Muni lines are affected: 1) E Embarcadero and 2) F Market & Wharves;
- A sidewalk closure is required on the south side of Beach Street between Powell and Stockton streets.

The stop relocation and sidewalk closure are expected to last for about four months beginning in May.

For project details, visit sfmta.com/kirklandtanks.

ONGOING: Polk Streetscape Project

The Polk Streetscape Project is an effort to create a safer, more vibrant corridor for all residents of San Francisco. In addition to increasing safety for everyone traveling on Polk Street, this project will incorporate new lighting, landscaping and street infrastructure. The project is anticipated to be completed in six segments, with construction taking approximately 24 months to complete. General work hours will be from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Construction began on October 17 with sewer work on North Point Street, from Polk to Larkin streets.

San Francisco Public Works will be working to incorporate key safety, sewer and water utility infrastructure improvements and streetscape enhancements along Polk Street, from Beach to McAllister streets. Improvements also include: paving, ADA curb ramps installation, alleyway improvements, sidewalk bulb-outs and bus bulb-outs, traffic signal upgrades, street light upgrades and bicycle lane improvements.

Traffic/Transit Impact

- At times, there may be temporary intersection or lane closures as crews perform work resulting in possible travel delays. Please plan to allow for extra travel time during construction due to possible delays.
- Traffic will be routed around construction activity as necessary. Pedestrian pathways and access to driveways and commercial/residential buildings will be maintained at all times.

For more project details, please visit <u>sfpublicworks.org/polk</u>.

Upcoming Construction Project

NEW: Inner Sunset Streetscape Improvement and Muni Forward Project

To support the construction of the Inner Sunset Streetscape Improvement Project and the completion of Sunset Tunnel seismic retrofit, bus substitution for the N Judah line will be required from Church and Duboce streets to Ocean Beach for four weekend periods starting after Labor Day.

Upcoming Construction Project continued

NEW: Inner Sunset Streetscape Improvement and Muni Forward Project continued

The first two weekend shutdowns are set:

- Starting at 8 p.m., Friday, September 8 through start of service, Monday, September 11
- Starting at 8 p.m., Friday, September 15 through start of service, Monday, September 18

Additional shutdowns are planned for this fall, dates to be announced.

During the tunnel closure, N Judah train service will operate from Church and Duboce streets to 4th and King streets and with shuttle buses operating from Fillmore and Duboce streets to Ocean Beach. Shuttle buses will be rerouted to Frederick Street and Lincoln Way between Carl Street and 7th Avenue.

The project is a partnership between the SFMTA and the San Francisco Public Works (SFPW) to add streetscape amenities to the proposed transit bulb-outs in the area. The streetscape designs will enhance the beauty and walkability of the neighborhoods along the N Judah line from Cole Valley to 19th Avenue and to improve performance of the N Judah as part of Muni Forward program.

For more project details, visit https://www.sfmta.com/projects-planning/projects/inner-sunset-streetscape-improvement-project.

Upcoming Events

Baseball Games

Thursday, August 31 through Sunday, September 3: The San Francisco Giants will play four home games against the St. Louis Cardinals at AT&T Park. Listed below are start times for these games:

• 1) 7:15 p.m., Thursday, August 31; 2) 7:15 p.m., Friday, September 1; 3) 1:05 p.m., Saturday, September 2 and 4) 1:05p.m., Sunday, September 3.

For details about transit service to AT&T Park, including connections from Bay Area transit systems to Muni, please visit http://www.sfmta.com/getting-around/destinations/att-park.

For more event details, please visit http://sanfrancisco.giants.mlb.com.

More details of transportation options to follow.

Upcoming Events continued

Labor Day Holiday Muni Service, Parking Will Be Enforced

Monday, September 4 (Labor Day Holiday), Muni will operate on a <u>Sunday schedule</u>. The 76X Marin Headlands Express Muni bus will be in service. See below for more information.

Parking meters and seven-day street sweeping will be enforced citywide on the holiday. Residential parking permits and Monday-Friday daytime street sweeping and commuter towaway will not 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.

Note: Parking meters in the City are enforced Monday through Saturday with the 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 8th Avenue at Clement Street
 - 9th Avenue at Clement Street
 - Geary Boulevard at 21st Avenue
 - o 18th Avenue at Geary Boulevard
 - Pierce Street Garage (between Lombard and Chestnut streets)

Ghirardelli Chocolate Festival

Saturday, September 9 and Sunday, September 10: The annual Ghirardelli Chocolate Festival will be held in Ghirardelli Square, from noon to 5 p.m. each day. An attendance of 20,000 is expected for both days.

For more details, please visit https://www.ghirardelli.com/chocolate-festival#BBpcZTtqSkbqwlmf.97.

Information of street closures and Muni service impact to follow.

Upcoming Events continued

Muni Heritage Weekend

Saturday, September 9 and Sunday, September 10: The 6th annual celebration of Muni Heritage Weekend held jointly by the SFMTA and the Market Street Railway, non-profit partner that supports the preservation of Muni's historic vehicle fleet, will take place at Steuart Street and Don Chee Way. Festivities will run from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., each day.

Historic buses, cable cars and streetcars rarely in operation will return to serve the public for this weekend, some of them for free.

For more details of event, please visit Market Street Railway.

Inner Sunset Sundays

Sunday, September 10: The Inner Sunset Sundays will take place on Irving Street from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For event details, please visit http://www.issundays.org/.

Irving Street between 9th and 10th avenues will be closed from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on the event day.

There will be no impact on Muni service.

Heavy ridership is expected on Muni bus lines and routes around the event area.

Sunday Streets: Western Addition

Sunday, September 10: The seventh Sunday Streets event will be held in the Western Addition. The route will travel through the Western Addition, North Panhandle, Fillmore and Japantown neighborhoods. The route will be available for recreational activities from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The event is free to all participants.

For further event details, please visit http://sundaystreetssf.com/season-schedule/westernaddition091017/.

Information of street closures and Muni service impact to follow.

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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. 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 www.sfmta.com 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 / การช่วยเหลือทางด้านภาษาโดยในโดยค่าใช้จ่าย / لدوة م على ال مجاذي المجاذي المحادة خط / 마카네이라 (الدوة م على المجاذي المحادة على المجادة و المحادة على المجادة و المحادة و المحادة المحادة و المح