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# UPDATE ON TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF SALESFORCE TRANSIT CENTER

## **Background:**

The Salesforce Transit Center is temporarily closed. In September 2018, workers discovered two fissures in steel beams on the bus deck above Fremont Street. After several inspections and out of an abundance of caution, the Transbay Joint Powers Authority (TJPA) temporarily closed the Transit Center.

This is a localized issue within the transit center. The TJPA's contractor installed a multi-level shoring system at Fremont and First streets as an independent review and monitoring continue. To date, no additional fissures have been found. Bolts in the surrounding areas around the fractured girders over Fremont street were tested and none were found to be damaged or cracked. Although no fissures were ever found at the First Street location, the area will receive a reinforcement because of its very similar design to Fremont Street.

The TJPA is working swiftly to determine a cause and reopen the facility, but must balance that with the responsibility of fully cooperating with an independent review being conducted by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC).

### **Update:**

- The repair of Fremont Street and reinforcement of First Street are underway and scheduled to be complete by the first week of June 2019.
- Steel plate material for the repairs and reinforcement were machined in Pennsylvania and delivered to the steel fabricator, Herrick, in Stockton in March.
- The steel fabricator began the drilling process to prepare the plates for installation.
- Onsite preparation work of the existing girders is complete.
- Finite Element Analysis (FEA) was <u>presented to the TJPA Board</u> and MTC's independent peer review panel. A final written report will be complete in April.
- The Project Team continued their building-wide review to ascertain if other areas need further review and/or inspections.

# **Next Steps**

- Conduct any additional inspections proposed by peer reviewers.
- Recommission the building, which includes inspections and permits from independent city and state agencies.
- Reopen the Transit Center and Park to the public.
- Resume Bus Operations.

In addition to this web page, the public will receive another comprehensive update at the April 11, 2019 Transbay Joint Powers Authority Board Meeting.

### Other Resources:

- Press Releases click here.
- Reviews, design reports, contracts, inspections click here.
- Construction Repair Update <u>click here.</u>

Transit agencies continue to provide bus service out of the Temporary Transbay Terminal at Howard and Main streets. Commuters are encouraged to call 511 or go to 511.org for up-to-date transit information, or to contact their bus operator directly. We apologize for the impacts to our transit riders and the public for this temporary closure. It is an inconvenience and we are committed to reopening the transit center as soon as safely possible.

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