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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 testing and monitoring continue. No additional fissures have been found.

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

Update:

- All critical testing of affected beams at Fremont Street and additional samples from First Street are complete and have been presented to the MTC Peer Review Panel.

- Structural engineering assessments submitted to the MTC Peer Review Panel

- Preliminary findings submitted to the MTC Peer Review Panel

- Preliminary repair strategies and design of the recommended fix issued to the MTC Peer Review panel
Next Steps

- MTC Peer Review accepts findings report and approves recommended permanent repair
- Repair/retrofit the Transit Center and Perform Structural Evaluations
- Complete any necessary inspections proscribed by peer reviewers
- Reopen the Transit Center and Park to the public
- Resume Bus Operations

Other Resources:

- Press Releases – [click here](#).
- Reviews, design reports, contracts, inspections – [click here](#).
- The latest construction/temporary closure update – [click here](#).

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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