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BART to begin canopy construction over the Embarcadero station entrance between Spear and Main streets on the south side of Market Street

Community Stakeholders:

In the coming weeks, BART will begin construction of a new entrance canopy over the BART Embarcadero station entrance in front of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco on the south side of Market Street (100 block) between Spear and Main Streets. This canopy project is scheduled to begin Thursday, October 19, and finish in Spring, 2024, though other canopies at the station will be replaced at a later date.

At the start of canopy construction, a chain link fence will be installed on the street level surrounding the Embarcadero station entrance near Spear Street on the southside of Market Street. The station entrance will be closed at both the street and station levels for the duration of the project. Four alternative BART entrances will remain open and serve the public at the Embarcadero Station including the entrance at Market & Davis Street where a new canopy has just been completed.

The chain link enclosure surrounding the work site will allow complete visibility from the street for the safety of pedestrians using the sidewalk. The contractor will establish a 5' ft. to 7' ft. pedestrian pathway between the work enclosure and the building frontage along Market Street. The fencing will remain in place until canopy construction has been completed.

Construction hours during the weekdays will be from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. There may be the need for occasional weeknight work from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m., but no weekend work is planned at this time. Construction-related noise will not exceed permit limits. Construction equipment used at the site will include a crane, forklift, compressor, and rivet buster in combination with other hand tools to complete the work. Some of this equipment will be stored inside the work enclosure as needed. At the beginning of the project, there will be demolition work to remove the existing entrance foundation. The canopy contractor will be responsible for daily site maintenance and graffiti removal on the work enclosure structure and project-related signage.

Over the next four years, BART will construct a total of 19 canopies over downtown station entrances on Market Street. To date, six of those canopies have been completed. As part of a separate project, 41 new escalators will be installed at the four downtown stations on both platform and street levels. New canopies will protect new escalator equipment, reducing maintenance costs and helping ensure they are functional for riders and patrons of local businesses. The canopies will also protect employees who open and close the station and reduce station maintenance costs. The new canopies will also provide additional wayfinding, lighting, real-time information, and security cameras on Market Street.

We thank you for your patience as we work to complete this important construction project. For more information on this project visit: $\underline{ bart.gov/about/planning/sfentrances}$