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Dear BART Neighbors:

In June 2021 BART’s Traction Power Substation Project contractor will construct a work enclosure on the city sidewalk near 2nd and Market Street above the Montgomery Station. The enclosure will span 93’ feet by 28’ feet on the sidewalk. It will not impact access to the BART station entrance at 2nd & Market Street. The enclosure fencing will stand 8-10’ in height with an angled top and 3 rungs of aircraft cable. Lighting will be installed as needed. An 8’ foot (minimum) pedestrian pathway will be located between the work enclosure and the frontage of the businesses in the 500 block of Market Street and access to businesses will be maintained at all times. The enclosure will be in place at the street level for approximately one year allowing the contractor to prepare the site for the new traction power substation equipment to be installed inside the Montgomery Station on the concourse level.

The Traction Power Substation Project is an essential element of BART’s Core Capacity Project. Existing traction power equipment has reached the end of its useful life and must be replaced by new and efficient equipment to provide power to BART trains. Two substations are being constructed at both Civic Center and Montgomery Stations over the next 2-3 years.

Following construction of the work enclosure at 2nd and Market Streets in June 2021, the contractor will remove demolition debris through the work enclosures at the street level. Most work will be carried out between 7am and 5pm on weekdays, with occasional night and weekend work as needed.

Thank you for your patience as we complete this important work.

For more information on the multi-year Traction Power Substation project, go to the Project page: https://www.bart.gov/about/projects/substations