

From: VTA Board Secretary

Sent: Monday, November 18, 2024 1:45 PM

To: VTA Board of Directors

Cc: VTA Board Secretary

Subject: From VTA: Eastridge to BART Regional Connector - Weekly Construction Update - Monday, 11/18/24

VTA Board of Directors:

We are forwarding for your information the Eastridge to BART Regional Connector Weekly Construction Update - Monday, 11/18/24.

Thank you.

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Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority
3331 North First Street, Building B
San Jose, CA 95134-1927
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**Eastridge to BART Regional Connector
Weekly Construction Update
Monday, November 18, 2024**



(Left to Right) – A) “Yield to Pedestrians,” and other traffic and construction signs are noticeable throughout the construction zone. B) Construction columns are being built along Capitol Expressway. C) A flagger assists pedestrians and bike riders on Capitol Expressway, close to the Tully Road intersection. [Photos by VTA/EBRC SF&LFP].

Greetings,

Falsework is advancing northbound on Capitol Expressway from the Ocala Avenue intersection toward the Story Road intersection. Construction activities such as pile driving and column forming continue north of Ocala Avenue and south of Cunningham Avenue. K-Rail placement and utility work begins at Story Road and in other areas.

Following community input regarding access for pedestrian and bike riders, and to improve the experience of motorists and bus riders, additional signs along the construction zone have been installed. Night work continues to take place this week and next.

Looking ahead, please note that construction activities will stop on Nov 28th and 29th, in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. Work may resume on Sunday evening, December 1st.

ACTIVITIES NEAR BUSINESSES

Day and night work at the intersection of Capitol Expressway and Story Road:

- Chevron Gas Station – Work is underway. The driveway on Story Road closest to Capitol Expressway is temporarily closed while crews perform driveway reconstruction. The driveway to the east on Story Road is open, and the driveway on Capitol Expressway will remain open for the time being. Pedestrian and bike riders can use the temporary sidewalk on Capitol Expressway and Story Road while this is happening.
- Chevron Gas Station and S&S Market – In late November, the driveways facing Capitol Expressway will be permanently closed. An ADA-accessible pedestrian and bike path will be built

for the community to use. Access to S&S Market will be via Kollmar Avenue. Access to Chevron will be via Story Road and both driveways on Story Road will be open. Directional signage will be placed to advise customers.

- World Oil Gas Station – K-Rail placement is expected this week. The driveway on Capitol Expressway will remain open as an entrance only, while the driveway on Story Road will remain open. The area will have proper signage.

Work at the intersection of Capitol Expressway and Tully Road:

- Mercedez Benz Dealership – Day work to install drainage systems has begun and it will continue for several weeks until completed, with intermittent, temporary lane closures. Flaggers are present and proper signs are in place.
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Work on Capitol Avenue and Capitol Expressway:

- Crossroads Shopping Center –Remaining work includes concrete island, planting, and some street lighting.

ACTIVITIES NEAR RESIDENCES

- Homes on Capitol Avenue and Lombard Street –Street lighting installation is pending.
- Homes on S. Capitol Avenue and Excalibur Drive – Several activities including street lighting, fiber optic cable, bioswale installation, curb and gutter, and roadway paving will continue through the end of November.

BUS OPERATIONS

Currently, bus #70 is no longer doing the reroute via Leeward. Southbound 70 bus riders may catch the bus on Ocala nearside Capitol at the temporary stop.

Anticipated work from 11/16/24 through 12/01/24

****Construction activities and schedules can change at any time.*

Day Work

- Excavate and install drainage systems along the Capitol Expressway.
- Excavation, shoring, pile delivery, off-loading pre-cast piles, and driving piles are happening at various piers located on Capitol Expressway, north of Ocala Avenue and south of Cunningham Avenue.
- Pour concrete footings and columns on Capitol Expressway, north of Ocala Avenue and south of Cunningham Avenue.

- Falsework to build the bridge deck is underway. Work is conducted during daytime and nighttime as needed, accompanied by lane closures.
- Eastbound Ocala Avenue will be temporarily closed for a couple of days, from 9 am to 3pm for drainage work on Capitol Expressway. Advance notice will be provided about this activity.
- Saturday work will continue for excavation and shoring work in the median at several locations, as needed.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- Staff continues engaging one-on-one with business owners, residents, and the public in general. Concerns are addressed as soon as possible.
- For EBRC's construction updates and traffic advisories, please go to vta.org/eastridgetoBART.
- The Community Outreach Field Office is open on **Tuesdays from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon** and **Fridays from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm** and by appointment.
- The field office is at 1091 S. Capitol Avenue, San Jose, CA 95127.
- Community Outreach can be reached by calling 408.321.7575, or emailing community.outreach@vta.org

Moving Forward,
The Construction and Engagement Team

From: VTA Board Secretary
Sent: Monday, November 18, 2024 3:43 PM
To: VTA Board of Directors
Cc: Greene, Beverly; Gonot, Carolyn
Subject: From VTA: New DOT Secretary Announced

VTA Board of Directors:

For your information, we are forwarding a statement from President-elect Trump about Rep. Sean Duffy's nomination as the next Transportation Secretary.

For questions, please reply to this e-mail. Thank you.

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"The new Transportation Secretary is former Wisconsin Republican Congressman Sean Duffy...This is from Trust Social."



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STATEMENT FROM PRESIDENT DONALD J. TRUMP

I am pleased to announce that former Congressman Sean Duffy, from the Great State of Wisconsin, is nominated to serve as the Secretary of Transportation. Sean has been a tremendous and well-liked public servant, starting his career as a District Attorney for Ashland, Wisconsin, and later elected to the U.S. House of Representatives for Wisconsin's 7th Congressional District.

During his time in Congress, Sean was a respected voice and communicator in the Republican Conference, advocating for Fiscal Responsibility, Economic Growth, and Rural Development. Admired across the aisle, Sean worked with Democrats to clear extensive Legislative hurdles to build the largest road and bridge project in Minnesota History.

As a member of the House Financial Services Committee, Sean played a key role in shaping and strengthening Economic policies, and ensuring Transparency and Accountability in Government programs. Sean's leadership extended to championing the needs of families, farmers, and small businesses, especially in rural communities.

He will prioritize Excellence, Competence, Competitiveness and Beauty when rebuilding America's highways, tunnels, bridges and airports. He will ensure our ports and dams serve our Economy without compromising our National Security, and he will make our skies safe again by eliminating DEI for pilots and air traffic controllers.

The husband of a wonderful woman, Rachel Campos-Duffy, a STAR on FoxNews, and the father of nine incredible children, Sean knows how important it is for families to be able to travel safely, and with peace of mind.

Sean will use his experience and the relationships he has built over many years in Congress to maintain and rebuild our Nation's Infrastructure, and fulfill our Mission of ushering in The Golden Age of Travel, focusing on Safety, Efficiency, and Innovation. Importantly, he will greatly elevate the Travel Experience for all Americans!

From: VTA Board Secretary

Sent: Friday, November 22, 2024 3:51 PM

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View of Southbound Capitol Expressway, Friday, November 15, 2024. Construction crews worked on the wooden structure that will support the bridge while it is being built (falsework), located in the median of Capitol Expressway between Ocala Avenue and Story Road. [Photo by VTA/EBRC LFP].

Greetings,

Construction continues with multiple activities such as potholing, drainage, excavation pile driving and bridge falsework. Night work activities include falsework, rebar and drainage installation. Work at Tully Road, Ocala Avenue and Story Road intersections have ramped up. Roadway widening at S. Capitol Avenue continues.

As we enter the rainy season, contractors are adjusting their activities and schedules. Crews are preparing for this weekend's expected rain by sweeping construction areas and covering all exposed dirt piles.

Pile driving activity, noise, vibration, and other construction activities are felt by those who live on streets parallel to the project. Staff is in constant communication with residents and business owners, and we truly appreciate their patience while we build the light rail extension.

Construction activities will stop on November 28th and 29th, in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. Construction activities and traffic changes are scheduled to resume on Monday, December 2nd.



Workers continue to dismantle BRT station shelter to be relocated after roadway widening. [Photo by MCM Construction/VIS]

Anticipated work from 11/23/24 through 12/08/24

1. **Day and night work** at all corners of the intersection of Capitol Expressway and Story Road, with activities going on in front of the Chevron Gas Station, Auto Zone, World Oil Gas Station and Capital Car Wash. Temporary lane closures will continue to be implemented.
2. **K-rail** will be placed on Kollmar Drive near S&S Market. Beginning on December 2, 2024: One way traffic on sections of Kollmar Drive, with detours to Sussex Avenue and McGinness Drive.
3. **Day work with intermittent, temporary lane closures** by the Mercedes Benz Dealership at the Northeast corner of the Capitol Expressway and Tully Road intersection.
4. **Roadwork at the intersection** of Capitol Expressway and Capitol Avenue continues.
5. **Several activities** including street lighting, fiber optic cable, bioswale installation, curb and gutter, and roadway paving will continue on S. Capitol Avenue between Excalibur and Story until complete; work will then shift towards the intersection, and it involves night work.
6. **Pour concrete** footings and columns on Capitol Expressway, north of Ocala Avenue and south of Cunningham Avenue.

7. **Falsework** to build the bridge deck is underway. Work is conducted during daytime and nighttime as needed, accompanied by lane closures.

8. **Eastbound Ocala Avenue** will be temporarily closed for a couple of days, from 9 am to 3pm for drainage work on Capitol Expressway. A traffic advisory will be posted along with signage no less than 5 days in advance.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

SAVE THE DATE! -

Holiday Celebration, Friday, December 13th 4pm-7pm
at the Community Outreach office at 1091 S. Capitol Avenue, San Jose, CA 95127. Light refreshments will be provided, along with fun activities for all.

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The team at their weekly meeting reviewing the construction schedule, traffic control plans, and upcoming outreach requirements.

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