



## **NOTICE OF CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY FIRST AND DEVINE STREETS FRIDAY-SUNDAY, AUGUST 22-24, 2008**

Issued Friday, August 22, 2008

The following will be in effect as indicated, weather and conditions permitting.

**WHAT:** Due to construction activities, there will be no light rail service between Convention Center and Civic Center stations in downtown San Jose beginning at 1 p.m., Friday, August 22 through 4 a.m., Monday, August 25. Monday morning light rail service will not be affected by this work.

In addition, during this time, vehicle traffic on North First Street will be detoured around the work site at First and Devine streets.

VTA will be replacing the embedded light rail track in the roadway at this intersection. The weekend work involves continuous activity from Friday afternoon to early Monday morning and includes demolishing existing concrete, removing old, worn rail, laying new track, and pouring new concrete.

**WHERE:** The First and Devine intersection is at the north end of the downtown Transit Mall in San Jose.

**WHEN:** 1 p.m. Friday, August 22 through 4 a.m., Monday, August 25.

**WHY:** The rail at this intersection has been in almost constant use since the late 1980s and needs to be replaced. The deteriorated condition of the rail contributes to "wheel squeal" when light rail trains travel over the tracks.

**DETOUR:** During the weekend work, beginning on Friday afternoon, northbound traffic on First Street will be detoured west on Devine Street, north on Market Street, east on Julian Street and then north on First Street.

**WHAT:** Crews will remove and replace a section of failed concrete surrounding the light rail tracks. The work will be continuous, 24-hours a day until completed.

**WHERE:** The intersection of Second and San Carlos streets in San Jose.

**WHEN:** 8 p.m. Friday, August 22 until 11 p.m. Sunday.

**WHY:** New rail at this intersection was recently placed and now a section of concrete needs to be replaced.

**TRAFFIC IMPACTS:** One lane of westbound San Carlos Street will be closed while crews are working.

**WHAT:** Crews will remove the temporary concrete slurry around the light rail tracks and replace it with granite pavers. Work will be continuous, 24 hours a day through the weekend. Any remaining stonework not completed this weekend will be placed during night hours when light rail vehicles aren't running.

**WHERE:** The intersection of Second and Devine streets in San Jose.

**WHEN:** 2 p.m. Friday, August 22 until 4 a.m. Monday, August 25.

**WHY:** The rail at this intersection was recently replaced and now crews are replacing the granite pavers that serve as the sidewalk.

**TRAFFIC IMPACTS:** Devine Street will be closed between First and Second streets. No impacts to Second Street are anticipated.

**NOTE:** The construction activities will impact light rail service in downtown San Jose, with no direct rail service to San Antonio, Santa Clara and St. James light rail stations. Instead, passengers will need to transfer to substitute light rail bus bridge service at either Convention Center or Civic Center Station to continue their trip. The substitute bus bridge service runs at the same frequency as light rail service, which is every 15 minutes during much of the service day.

**ADDITIONAL NOTE:** Due to the construction at the First and Devine intersection, northbound passengers ending their trip at the Japantown/Ayer Station will be dropped off at a temporary bus stop at Third and Empire streets. All other light rail bus bridge stops, including the one for southbound Japantown/Ayer passengers, are located adjacent to the affected stations.

For the safety of the public and construction workers, traffic control measures will be used when needed. Informational and warning signs will be posted as necessary to ensure everyone's safety. Construction crews will make every effort to maintain access and minimize inconvenience to residents, pedestrians, businesses and motorists.

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