

# BART

## Warm Springs Extension

# Construction Notification #79

## ***UPDATED (4/19/16): Testing of BART Trains on New Warm Springs Extension Trackway Continues with Testing Expanded to Early Mornings***

### Construction Details

#### Summary of Activity

Testing of “non-service” BART trains on the new track, extending south from BART Fremont Station to the new Warm Springs/South Fremont Station continues. **Update:** Testing hours expanded to include early mornings.

#### Estimated Start Date

Mid-April 2016 (Start of expanded hours)

#### Estimated End Date

Train and systems testing will be ongoing through the start of service in 2016.

#### Impacts

- Periodic train horns;
- Some noise and vibration from trains;
- Trains traversing the new trackway (however the extension will not be open for service during testing);
- Some nighttime and weekend testing, requiring lights; and
- Possible “spot” construction work that may generate temporary noise, lights and dust.

#### General Work Hours

Day, evening and early morning shifts

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#### April 19, 2016

The BART Warm Springs Extension (WSX) Project continues testing which began in 2015 and is expected to conclude this year. Effective mid-April, required “blanket hour” or early morning testing will be needed. Early morning testing will commence at approximately 1:30am Wednesday through Sunday mornings.

Dynamic testing will focus on “non-service” BART trains on the new 5.4 miles of track extending south from BART Fremont Station to the new Warm Springs/South Fremont Station. Dynamic testing is an important part of the robust testing series that began in 2015. Dynamic testing covers all aspects of correct system functions, including:

- Trains running at the appropriate speed for the segment of rail;
- Train acceleration and deceleration;
- Safe braking performance and train stopping abilities; and
- Communications with the Operations Control Center.

Testing will typically occur during daytime, late evening and early morning hours. During testing and commissioning, train horns will sound occasionally. As testing advances, trains will eventually be put through a full scheduled simulation to test the system performance and verify that scheduled timetables can be met.

Testing is an important part of public transit line extensions and is done to ensure that a safe and verified system is in place before opening to the public.

Please watch for signs with safety information and other notices.

When open for passenger service, the WSX Project will mark an important milestone in the Bay Area’s collective effort to extend BART service into Santa Clara County/Silicon Valley; helping to connect and improve mobility for commuters.

