



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



U.S. 101 DECK REPLACEMENT

AT SAN FRANCISCO ALEMANY CIRCLE



1. WHAT IS THE ALEMANY DECK REPLACEMENT PROJECT?

The Alemany Deck Replacement Project is a Bridge Rehabilitation Deck Replacement Project.

2. WHY IS THE ALEMANY DECK BEING REPLACED?

The freeway was built in 1950. Caltrans engineers have since identified active deck reinforcement corrosion, localized deck failures, and cracking. Engineers describe the failures and cracking as spalling, which causes a need for constant maintenance and patch work. With approximately 4500 vehicles per hour traveling over its deck during peak hours, the 800 foot span consists of 25 concrete casts. There are 12 casts in the Northbound direction and 13 Southbound. All of the spans will need to be demolished and reconstructed using a cast-in-place concrete methodology.

3. EXACTLY WHERE WILL THIS PROJECT TAKE PLACE?

In the City and County of San Francisco, near the I-280/U.S. 101 Interchange on U.S. 101 at Postmile 2.0 / 2.5. – “Alemany Circle”

4. WHEN WILL THE PROJECT TAKE PLACE?

Caltrans will be replacing the U.S. 101 Alemany Deck this summer. Beginning detour work will start on July 7, 2020 with an approximate 3 week completion date.

5. WHO WILL BE IMPACTED BY THE PROJECT?

More than 240,000 vehicles travel the Alemany interchange each day. The majority of the cars originate from outside the San Francisco metropolitan area. The U.S. 101 corridor is used to access San Francisco International Airport, Downtown San Francisco and Silicon Valley. However, those most impacted will be the thousands of people who live and work in close proximity to the project.

Most Impacted Areas:

- Bernal Heights
- Portola and Visitation Valley
- The Alemany Farmer's Market
- Bayshore Industrial/Commercial Business District
- Potrero Hill, Dogpatch, Visitation Valley, Bayview and Hunters Point

6. ARE THERE ANY PUBLIC MEETINGS SCHEDULED SO THAT LOCAL CITIZENS CAN LEARN MORE?

Yes, details below.

1. **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19 | 6-8 PM**
MLK MIDDLE SCHOOL
350 GIRARD STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94134
2. **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20 | 6-8 PM**
WILLIE BROWN JR. MIDDLE SCHOOL
2055 SILVER AVENUE, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94124
3. **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22 | 1-3 PM**
BERNAL HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER
515 CORTLAND AVE, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94110

San Francisco Alemany Circle – U.S. 101 – Deck Replacement Project July 7th – July 28th, 2020. We want to hear from you! Join Caltrans as our project team hosts neighborhood community meetings to share information and ask for your input about construction to repair a portion of the U.S. 101 Deck at Alemany Circle. We will discuss what you can expect, show you the detours, and specifics about transit alternatives. You will also be able to join our distribution list for project updates.



Please plan ahead. Be proactive, and actively choose to participate in the traffic demand reduction and avoid driving U.S. 101 Alemany in July 2020 as much as possible. Drive Safely.



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7. HOW WILL LOCAL RESIDENTS BE IMPACTED?

Impact on existing residential areas surrounding the project, including local street detours and closures is as follows:

- Local residents will be exposed to heavy traffic congestion on local streets. Traffic delays will severely impact their commute when leaving and returning home.
- Shopping, getting to work, and taking care of business locally.
- Some residents may experience construction vibrations and/or impact.
- Construction noise.
- Dust/Air Quality.
- Leisure travel to sporting, cultural and recreational events throughout San Francisco, as well as travel to major venues (Oracle Park, Chase Center) and other events will be heavily congested.

8. IT SOUNDS LIKE THERE WILL BE TRAFFIC DELAYS DURING CONSTRUCTION. WHAT IF THERE IS AN EMERGENCY?

A multiple detour plan supporting the transport and access of emergency vehicles is being planned.

Plans ensuring the transportation of goods and services; Farmer's Market, other local grocers and businesses are also included.

- Traffic detours/delays and alternative routes.
- Parking/relocation/displacement/during construction crew parking/construction staging areas.
- Pedestrian/bicycle movement.
- Transit access impacts on bus or transit stops.
- Emergency access

9. WHAT ARE THE RISKS AND CONCERNS RELATED TO THIS PROJECT?

The biggest concerns are:

- Traffic impact to regional highways and local streets.
- Disruption to local neighborhood residents and businesses surrounding the construction site.

10. HOW LONG WILL THE PROJECT LAST?

The estimated time from start to finish is approximately 3 weeks. Extenuating circumstances could push the project out a few more days. There is also a possibility that the construction could be completed earlier.

11. WHAT ARE THE PROJECT BENEFITS?

Driver safety is at the heart of this project. Once completed, drivers will benefit from a safer, smoother and more secure roadway. The new road is projected to last for at least 50 years.



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12. WHAT CAN I DO TO PREPARE?

If possible, avoid travel in this area.

- Plan Ahead
- Be Proactive
- Avoid driving on U.S. 101
- Take Alternative Routes
- Work from home
- Take Transit
- Carpool/Rideshare
- Bike/Walk/Scooter

We need everyone's help to reduce the traffic demand while this important work is being completed.

Ask yourself:

- How will this 3-week deck replacement project impact me?
- What can I do to avoid driving on U.S. 101 Alemany during this time?

Avoid travel in this area:

- Work remotely from home (check with your employer).
- If possible, telework and teleconference all meetings in order to avoid the driving.

Go Multimodal:

- BART Carpool parking priority at BART stations using apps
- Caltrain
- MUNI
- SamTrans
- SF Bay Ferries
- Rideshare
- Carpool (Scoop, Waze apps) Vanpool (511.org, Commute.org)
- Bike/Scooter
- Rentals
- Caltrans Bike Maps
- Walking Tips