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San Francisco Public Works will be making improvements to your neighborhood. This work will begin soon. Please look inside for more information regarding street access, work schedule, and street parking. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us. We thank you for your cooperation and patience during construction.

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Dear Third Street Bridge Neighbor,

The Third Street Bridge Rehabilitation Project will soon begin Phase II of rehabilitation work planned for Lefty O’Doul Bridge on 3rd Street between Berry Street and Terry A Francois Boulevard.

Phase I was completed between December 2017 and January 2018 and involved completion of counterweight repairs.

American Bridge Company has been selected as the general contractor to perform the next phase of bridge rehabilitation work and anticipates rehabilitation work will begin in early October 2018 and rehabilitation work will continue through December 2019.

As we prepare to begin rehabilitation work, please note the following significant dates:

Crews anticipate performing pre-construction assessment work Tuesday, September 4, 2018 through Friday, September 7, 2018 between the hours of 10 AM and 2 PM to document the current condition of the bridge mechanical systems, steel members, and in-water pile systems prior to the actual start of rehabilitation work.

During preliminary assessment work, crews may need to temporary lift the bridge or restrict vehicular, bicycle and pedestrian traffic across the bridge for short periods of time, i.e. traffic restrictions may be in 10-15 minute increments over the course of the mid-day non peak traffic periods. Please expect minor intermittent traffic disruptions during this period.

Crews anticipate mobilizing into the area along the northern half of Terry A Francois Boulevard beginning the week of September 17, 2018 to set up a construction yard where the contractor will stage construction trailers, materials, and equipment. The block of Terry A Francois Blvd., between Third Street and the north east corner will be closed to through traffic for the duration of rehabilitation work. Access will be maintained for emergency vehicles, bicycles, and pedestrians, as well as “The Yard” and outdoor seating on the south side of the street.

Rehabilitation work on the bridge is anticipated to begin the week of October 1, 2018, starting with installation of containment scaffolding, pending favorable traffic and tide conditions.

Upcoming Impacts and Restrictions

The Third Street Bridge will operate normally and will be available to be lifted for maritime traffic until September 17, 2018. After this date, the bridge will be lowered and locked in the down position and will not be available for any lifts until completion of rehabilitation work in late 2019.

Kayaks and other similar sized vessels that can normally transit under the bridge in the down position may continue to do so. The United States Coast Guard will provide details of in-water work and temporary navigation changes in the Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners.

During rehabilitation work, access across the bridge will be maintained for vehicle, bicycle and pedestrian traffic, except for instances where temporary full bridge closures are required. Please be aware that travel lanes may be reduced, restricted or altered as needed during different phases of rehabilitation work on the bridge.

At this time, the contractor does not anticipate a need for full bridge closures until summer 2019, though certain rehabilitation activities may require periodic short term full bridge closures.

Access to private or commercial buildings and pedestrian pathways on either side of the bridge will be maintained at all times, however, delays may be possible. Please observe all posted restricted parking and traffic signage and allow extra travel time through the area in case of traffic delays during construction.

We thank you for your patience and understanding as we prepare to begin rehabilitation of this historic San Francisco landmark.

Please visit: www.sfpublicworks.org/thirdstreetbridge for additional project information and to sign up for regular project email updates and to stay up to date about upcoming construction activity.

* Please Note: Construction schedules are subject to change due to rain or other weather delays, equipment breakdown, and/or unforeseen field conditions. Please visit www.sfpublicworks.org for the latest updates and information.

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