

We're Rebuilding.

Major Trackwork between Richmond and El Cerrito del Norte stations.

Project Details

Between October 2020 and May 2021, BART crews will be working around the clock to replace and rebuild the nearly 50-year-old interlocking and other critical track components near the Richmond BART Station. An interlocking is like an intersection for cars. It allows trains to safely cross from one track to another.

During this eight-month period, there will be five, non-consecutive weekends when BART crews will need to work in the trackway all weekend long. To keep crews safe, BART will close the trackway between the Richmond and El Cerrito del Norte stations and replace train service with free buses (flip over for map and schedule). Those traveling from Richmond to El Cerrito del Norte should plan to add 15-20 minutes to their trips. Two of the shutdowns will occur on three-day holiday weekends. On January 18th (Martin Luther King Jr. Day) and February 15th (Presidents' Day) free buses will be offered between Richmond and El Cerrito del Norte while the rest of the system will operate on a Saturday train schedule. Additionally, during these track closure weekends, some neighbors and nearby businesses will experience noise coming from equipment and crews along with construction lighting at night.

Please visit **bart.gov** for the latest on this project as some dates and information may change.

Benefits of Work

While there will be short term impacts to businesses, neighbors and riders, once the work is complete, the benefits will last for decades to come. Riders will enjoy a smoother, safer, more reliable, and quieter ride. Neighbors should notice a decrease in sound from the normal operations of the BART system.

Project Highlights:

- Replacing four track switches that are at the end of their useful lives. These are large track components that can measure up to 200 feet in length and allow trains to move from line to line.
- Installing approximately 4,000 feet of new rail.
- Replacing approximately 700 badly worn wooden ties with longer-lasting concrete versions.
- Replacing approximately 1,000 tons of rock ballast, which is essential for stabilizing the rail.
- Installing 700 feet of duct banks, conduit, and cabling in preparing for the installation of a new train control system, which will eventually allow BART to run more frequent service.

Project Impacts

In order to perform this critical work, BART crews will need to set up lights, a large crane, generators and other heavy equipment near and on the trackway near Richmond Station during the track closure weekends and overnight on some weekdays. Some neighbors and nearby businesses will experience noise coming from equipment and crews along with construction

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lighting at night. Noise levels are expected to be like those from past maintenance work in the area. Also, in the months prior to and after the weekend shutdowns some construction activities will occur during hours when BART trains are not running. Any work that can be completed without disruption to service will be facilitated within these windows.

Additionally, BART crews may close Portola Avenue near Richmond Station to stage materials and equipment. To ensure public safety Portola Avenue between Roosevelt Avenue and 16th Street would be closed for all shutdown weekends and Barrett Avenue between Marina Way and 18th Street will have lane closures for one day.

We apologize in advance for the inconvenience this may cause. However, we ask you to bear with us as this short-term pain will result in long term gain.

Schedule

Dates	Work Type	Bus Bridge	Rider Delays
January 16–18	Track Closure	Yes	15–20 minutes
January 30–31	Track Closure	Yes	15–20 minutes
February 13–15	Track Closure	Yes	15–20 minutes
February 27–28	Track Closure	Yes	15–20 minutes
March 13–14	Track Closure	Yes	15–20 minutes



Funding

This project is funded by Measure RR, a \$3.5 billion bond measure that voters overwhelming passed in 2016 to rebuild BART to make the system safer and reliable, which in turn helps to reduce traffic.

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