



October 2026 Construction Update

Activities Continue to Progress for VTA's BART Silicon Valley Phase II Extension Project

West Portal

- **100% Excavation:** In early September, our project celebrated 100% completion of excavation work for the West Portal Launch Structure, which will serve as the starting point for the project's Tunnel Boring Machine (TBM). Since first breaking ground in 2024, our crews have made tremendous progress on the site and will now be in the final stages of preparation on the launch structure before receiving the machine later next year.
- **Safety Record:** Our project also recently celebrated the massive achievement of 3,000,000 safe work hours without a worker missing time due to injury. This is a massive achievement, and we want to recognize our hardworking crew members, who have been committed to keeping safety at the forefront of this project.
 - More information can be found here: [VTA's BART Silicon Valley Phase II Achieves 3 Million Safe Work Hours](#)

Upcoming construction activities include continued construction of the Cut & Cover Working Slab, ongoing Caterpillar Shaft Working Slab construction, and continued Cut & Cover Bracing Removal activities between levels 2 and 4. These activities continue to advance construction of the West Portal Launch Structure.

In October, work activities at West Portal will occur **Monday through Saturday for 24 hours a day.**

Day and Nighttime Work Includes:

- **Cut & Cover Concrete Working Slab Construction:** Crews will complete the construction of the working slab in the cut & cover section. Expect crane and concrete pump activity, haul trucks removing material and continuous construction noise.
- **Caterpillar Shaft Concrete Working Slab Construction:** Crews will continue construction of the working slab for the caterpillar shaft. Expect crane and pumping activity, haul trucks removing material and continuous construction noise.
- **Cut & Cover Bracing Removal:** Crews will continue removal of temporary bracing between levels 2 and 4 in the cut & cover section. Expect lift activity and intermittent steel handling noise.

Weekend Work Includes: Routine on-site maintenance with minimal anticipated impacts to the surrounding area.

Future Downtown San José BART Station Area

- **AT&T Cutover Activities:** Beginning in October 2026, AT&T and Lumen crews will be working in the downtown area to transfer existing fiber services to the newly installed conduits via their manholes (cutover activities). Residents and businesses may notice AT&T and Lumen pickup trucks, small work crews and traffic cones around manholes. No significant impacts to vehicle or pedestrian traffic are anticipated during these operations.





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Future Diridon BART Station Area

- **Soils Testing:** From July 20th through October 18th, the parking lot south of Santa Clara St. between Barack Obama Blvd. and S Montgomery St. will be temporarily closed for soils testing and trenching activity. Field equipment will include a sawcut machine, excavator/backhoe and a geotechnical coring machine. Minor dust, noise and vibration may occur during the working hours of 7am-7pm.
 - More information can be found here: [Soils Testing Construction Notice](#)
- **AT&T Utility Work:** Starting October through the end of the month, work will move east to Barack Obama Blvd with restoration activities. AT&T will be trenching on Santa Clara St to install conduits at the crossing with Barack Obama Blvd, with lane closures affecting westbound traffic. Flaggers will be on site to assist pedestrians and direct vehicular traffic. AT&T crews will also be installing two intercept boxes along the Barack Obama Blvd. sidewalk adjacent to SAP Center, between Santa Clara St and Sharks Way, with partial sidewalk closures. Work hours and impacts will be 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.
- **AT&T Sidewalk Restoration:** Beginning mid-October, AT&T will begin restoration of sidewalks on the south side of The Alameda between Bush St and White St. The south side sidewalk will be closed, and pedestrian traffic will be detoured to the crossing at Bush St. First eastbound lane adjacent to sidewalk will be closed. Flaggers will be on site to assist pedestrians and direct vehicular traffic. Work hours and impacts will be 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Future 28th Street/Little Portugal BART Station Site

- **Site Demolition:** Building remediation and demolition work will take place through October on buildings and structures formerly occupied by Monarch Trucking business on the north end of the station block.
 - More information can be found here: [Site Demolition Construction Notice](#)

Future East Portal Area

- **Parking Lot Restoration:** Construction will continue through October to restore and improve the property adjacent to East Portal with new parking lots, drainage, utilities, lighting, fencing, landscaping, sidewalks and pavement improvements. Expect construction equipment and trucks entering and exiting the work area, temporary noise, dust and vibration, temporary lane, sidewalk or driveway impacts as well as construction fencing around active work areas. Traffic control, signage and flaggers will be on-site as needed.
 - More information can be found here: [Property Restoration Construction Notice](#)

All VTA Construction Notices can be found here: [Construction Notices](#).





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Crews installing rebar before the working slab concrete pour.



One of the last buckets of excavated material to come out of the West Portal Launch Structure.



Rebar and formwork in place before concrete pour for working slab.



Heavy loader transporting a steel strut.

