

# Sound Wall Removal/Relocation

As part of the SM 101 Express Lanes Project, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is relocating sections of sound walls in the City of San Mateo, adjacent to northbound U.S. 101. The sound walls will be rebuilt to their existing lengths and heights. Caltrans does not plan to remove sound walls in any other locations for this project. The locations where sound walls are being relocated are shown on the aerial photos below. Caltrans has been in regular contact with the City of San Mateo and neighboring residents to provide updates on the project and to address questions and concerns.

**SOUND WALL REMOVAL AND RELOCATION UPDATE** Sound wall work has been directly impacted by COVID-19 disruptions to the supply chain. Delays in the receipt of critical construction materials and staffing limitations have caused the sound wall relocation timeline to be adjusted with later completion dates. Adjusted completion dates are:

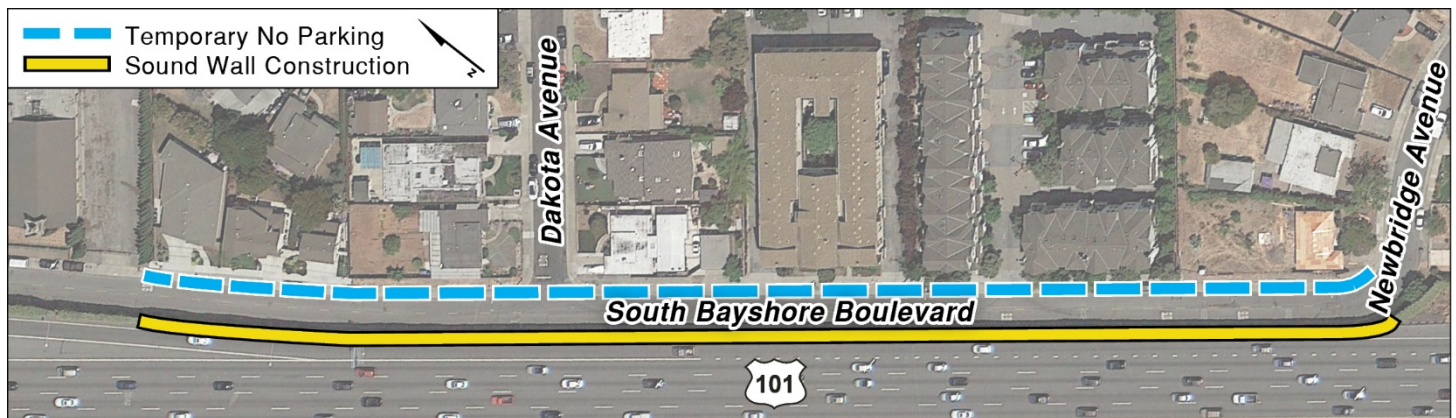
- From Newbridge Avenue to just past Dakota Avenue: *Complete!*
- From 2nd Avenue to Dore Avenue: anticipated to be rebuilt in February 2021
- From Dore Avenue to East Poplar Avenue: *Complete!*

**CITY STREET PARKING AND DETOURS:** Crews will access the remaining sound wall section from local roadways in the City of San Mateo. Short-term lane closures may occur periodically on Bayshore Boulevard from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday to Friday. No full road closures are anticipated. On-street parking along Bayshore Boulevard in the construction area will also be unavailable for the duration of sound wall reconstruction.

## Sound Wall Removal/Relocation Locations:

### Newbridge Avenue to Just Past Dakota Avenue (Complete)

Removal of the sound wall on South Bayshore Boulevard adjacent to U.S. 101, from Newbridge Avenue to just north of Dakota Avenue, began April 2020. This section of the sound wall has been rebuilt and is now complete.



## 2nd Avenue to Dore Avenue

Removal of the sound wall on South Bayshore Boulevard adjacent to U.S. 101, from 2nd Avenue to Dore Avenue, began March 2020. This section of the sound wall will be relocated and rebuilt in February 2021.

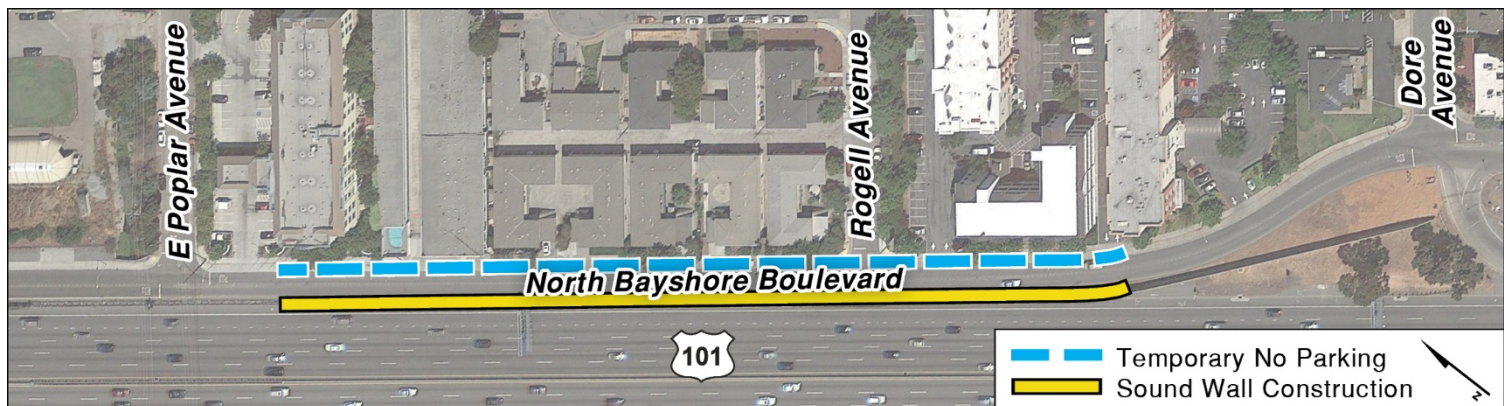


## Traffic/Parking Restrictions

Nearby residents and travelers can expect to see construction crews during the day from 8 AM to 5 PM. Crews will access sound wall areas from local roadways adjacent to the freeway in San Mateo. Short-term lane closures may occur periodically on South Bayshore Boulevard during construction hours. No full road closures are anticipated as part of this work. After 5 PM, the road will be restored to two-way traffic. To allow for construction staging, on-street parking will be restricted on South Bayshore Boulevard from 2nd Avenue to Dore Avenue beginning March 2020 through February 2021.

## Dore Avenue to East Poplar Avenue (Complete)

Removal of the sound wall on North Bayshore Boulevard adjacent to U.S. 101, from Dore Avenue to East Poplar Avenue, began April 2020. This section of the sound wall has been rebuilt and is now complete.



## WHAT TO EXPECT:

- Noise and vibration from pile driving as well as other common construction related sounds such as back-up alarms
- Water trucks being used to minimize dust during work hours
- Traffic cones and flaggers to ensure safety of travelers
- Little to no change in freeway views once sound walls are rebuilt