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Mountain Tunnel Improvements Project

About Mountain Tunnel

The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) is building the Mountain Tunnel Improvements Project to improve the condition of the existing 19-mile Mountain Tunnel, and to ensure the tunnel's continued ability to provide quality drinking water reliably to its 2.7 million customers in the Sierra Foothills and San Francisco Bay Area.

The tunnel is over 90 years old and needs repairs to ensure a reliable water supply to our customers. As part of the project, crews will improve the access roads to the tunnel over the next several years.

Lumsden Road Closures

Forest Service Road 1N10/Lumsden Road is a public road used by recreationists and commercial rafting companies for activities on the Tuolumne River. Portions of Lumsden Road would be widened and resurfaced to improve access and roadway safety. To perform this work, construction crews will need to limit access to the Meral's Pool and Lumsden Campground areas.

Closing Lumsden Road is essential to protect the safety of the public and all roadway travelers. The Tunnel Contractor will be using controlled detonations and other methods to widen the road and put rockfall protection into place. It is unsafe for members of the public to utilize the road during this time. Lumsden Road access will be restricted from the intersection at Ferretti Rd, and the river below until the permanent rock fall protection system and road stabilization are completed.

The following schedule lists the dates and times when access down Lumsden Road will be available, and those dates when access will be limited or restricted. More information on the project can be found at: sfpuc.org/mountaintunnel.

Lumsden Road will be closed according to the following schedule:

March 1, 2021 thru April 30, 2021

- Access will be restricted with full road closure

May 1, 2021 thru Labor Day, September 7, 2021

- Access on Lumsden Road will be open and unimpaired 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., daily Monday through Thursday
- Lumsden Road will be closed evenings, 7 p.m. to 7 a.m., daily Sunday through Thursday.
- Full access will be allowed Fridays 7 a.m. through Sunday 7:00 p.m. each weekend.
- On holidays weekends that include a Monday, the road will be open all weekend including Monday until 7 pm.

* Although the Contractor has been given until Labor Day to complete the night-time work closures, it is anticipated that most, if not all, of the work will be completed by the end of May 2021.



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