



NOVEMBER 7 & 8, 2026

Dear Monterey Neighbor:

The 21st Presentation of the **Monterey Bay Half Marathon** is coming to town on Sunday, November 8, 2026 through Downtown Monterey and along the scenic waterfront from Monterey to Pacific Grove. Saturday morning, November 7, will also feature our successful fun runs, the **Pacific Grove Lighthouse 5K** and the **By-the-Bay 3K** on a beautiful waterfront-only route from Lovers Point to Pt. Pinos in Pacific Grove.

On the third page of this document, you'll find a map of the race route through Monterey. Below we have included parking restrictions and street closure times during the morning hours of race weekend. This information and a full course map including the Pacific Grove section, can also be found on our website, www.montereybayhalfmarathon.org.

Each year we work closely with City of Monterey staff and public safety to minimize any inconvenience these events may impose on our residents. We hope race weekend is an exciting and enjoyable experience for participants and spectators alike. We encourage you to come cheer on the runners and listen to the variety of musical groups we have placed along the course to help inspire our runners to perform their best.

We appreciate your cooperation, patience, and understanding. This event is organized by the nonprofit Big Sur Marathon Foundation. We work hard to execute successful events so that we can give back to charities in the community. Each year, the Big Sur Marathon Foundation donates roughly \$350,000 in grants to local nonprofit organizations. If you have any questions or need further information, please call the Big Sur Marathon Foundation office at 831-625-6226.

Sincerely,

The Board & Staff of the Big Sur Marathon Foundation

PARKING RESTRICTIONS:

The entire Half Marathon course will be posted, "No Parking – Tow Away, 2:00 AM. – 11:00 AM on Sunday, November 8, 2026." Other parking restrictions will also be in effect in the Downtown and Cannery Row areas. All "No Parking" areas will be posted a minimum of 48 hours in advance. All vehicles left standing in a "No Parking" zone will be towed at the owner's expense (Monterey Police Department, 646-3830.)

STREET CLOSURES:

On the morning of Sunday, November 8th, beginning at approximately 3:00 AM, many City streets and the Coastal Trail will be impacted to facilitate race-related events. Below is a list of the streets and the approximate times during which they will remain closed.

- The Half Marathon begins at 7:00 AM, starting at Del Monte near Camino El Estero. Expect delays throughout the day from 3:00 AM – 11:00 AM.
- The southbound Highway 1 Del Monte and Casa Verde exits will be closed from 4:00 AM – 9:00 AM.
- The east and westbound lanes of Del Monte from Sloat to Figueroa will be closed from 3:30 AM – 8:45 AM.
- The westbound lanes of Del Monte from Figueroa to the Custom House Tunnel (the north bore from Downtown Monterey toward Pacific Grove) will be closed from 5:30 AM – 8:45 AM. During this time, access to New Monterey and Pacific Grove will be via Highway 1 and Holman Highway (68) **ONLY**.
- Lighthouse Avenue and the Pacific Street connector southbound (from New Monterey to Downtown Monterey) will remain open all day.
- The south bore of the tunnel leading into Monterey will close from 6:15 AM – 8:45 AM.
- No exit 2 AM to 9 AM from Wharf 2 lots

From approximately 3:00 AM – 8:45 AM, the following additional streets will be closed in the Downtown Monterey area:

- Del Monte from Sloat to Figueroa
- Camino Aguajito from Del Monte to Fourth Street

- Lake Street from Camino Aguajito to Park
- First Street from Camino Aguajito to Park
- Second Street from Camino Aguajito to Park
- Third Street from Camino Aguajito to Park
- Camino El Estero from Del Monte to Pearl
- Figueroa from Franklin to Wharf #2 (including Waterfront Parking Lots)

From approximately 4:00 AM– 8:45 AM, the following streets will be closed in the Downtown Monterey area (see limited access restrictions below):

- Tunnel in both directions
- Alvarado from Pearl to Del Monte
- Franklin from Pacific to Washington
- Washington/Abrego from Del Monte to Webster
- Pearl Street from Camino Aguajito to Alvarado
- Camino El Estero from Pearl to Fremont
- Cortes from Pearl to Webster
- Cortes from Del Monte to Franklin
- Figueroa from Del Monte to Franklin
- Figueroa from Church to Pearl
- Del Monte from Figueroa to Washington
- Taufner from Figueroa to Cortes
- Adams from Bonifacio to Pearl
- Alma from Abrego to Figueroa
- Tyler from Munras to Del Monte
- Westbound lanes of Del Monte (toward New Monterey/Pacific Grove) from Washington to Reeside, including the Tunnel
- Southbound Lanes of Lighthouse (toward Downtown) from Pacific to Washington, including the Tunnel

From approximately 5:00 AM– 11 AM, the following streets will be closed in the Cannery Row area:

- Reeside from Foam to Cannery Row (including the Coast Guard Pier Parking Lot)
- Drake from Lighthouse to Cannery Row
- Dickman from Lighthouse to Foam
- Wave from Drake to McClellan
- Hoffman from Wave to Cannery Row
- Prescott from Wave to Cannery Row
- Cannery Row from Reeside to David
- Wave from Prescott to Eardley
- David from Lighthouse to Cannery Row
- Irving from Foam to Wave
- Pacific from Scott to Lighthouse Curve
- Foam from Lighthouse to Drake

Limited Access Restrictions – *Area bordered by Aguajito, Del Monte, Pearl, and Alvarado*

Until 5:30 AM - Drivers will be allowed ingress (into the area) at Abrego and Fremont.

Until 5:30 AM - Drivers will be allowed egress (out of the area) at Del Monte and Figueroa

Between 6:00 AM – 7:30 AM - **NO** vehicle ingress will be permitted

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END OF EVENT: All City of Monterey streets and the Coastal Trail will be cleared by 11:00 A.M.