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RE: [Item 10-A](#) – Consider Adoption of Resolution Supporting Caltrans Interstate 580 Truck Access Study and State Legislation to Enable Fair Use of East Bay Freeways, including Directing Staff to Work with Study Partners to Expand the Project Study Area to Include Impacted Parts of Alameda.

Dear Mayor Ezzy Ashcraft and Members of the City Council,

We are writing in support of Councilmember Jensen's referral to support the I-580 Truck Access Study, and directing staff to work to have Alameda included in the project study areas. Caltrans is currently accepting public feedback on this ban as part of that evaluation and we believe adding the City's voice to that study is critical.

As a local non-profit dedicated to making Alameda a safe and enjoyable place to get around outside of a car, Bike Walk Alameda is strongly invested in air quality. Much of Alameda is located within 1 mile of the I-880 corridor, which has seen a disproportionate increase in heavy truck use because of the truck ban on I-580.

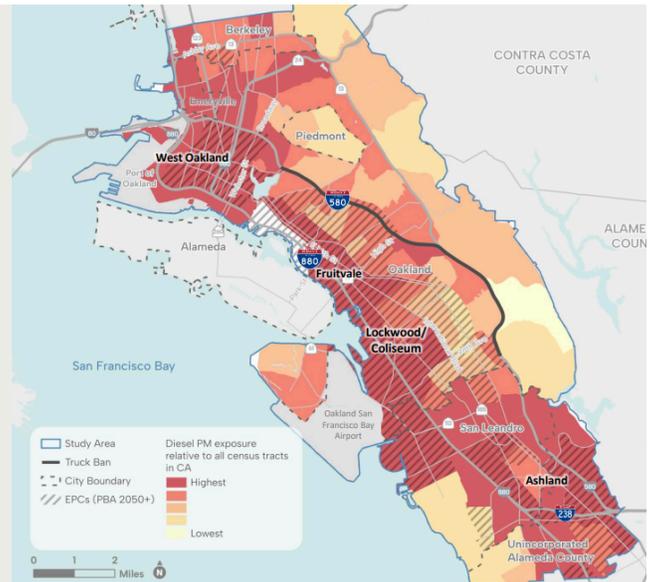
While it was not included in the health impact study conducted near the I-880 corridor, as shown in the Caltrans study area below, it is reasonable to assume that the main Alameda island is also severely impacted by the diesel particulate matter impacting the corridor. In order to more equitably balance those impacts across the region who are benefiting from the interstate highway system, all highways should share in the truck traffic equally. Please support our inclusion in the study area.

Diesel Particulate Matter

Diesel PM is a known carcinogen that is typically caused by exhaust from vehicles with diesel engines, such as trucks.

Exposure to diesel particulate matter is high within most of the study area, and highest to the west of I-580 and SR-13.

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Best,

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