



Updated Approach Options and Timeline

City of Alameda-AC Transit Interagency Liaison Committee (ILC)

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What is Realign?

It's a review of our routes and schedules.

Prioritize where and when transit service is offered

Align service with customer needs and equity goals



A Crews Rey Feedback from Jan 24th Board

Reliability:

Need better link between proposals and District KPIs

Frequency:

Less frequent service on trunks for reliability unacceptable

Less network coverage unacceptable

Equity:

Cutting service in Equity Priority Communities (EPCs) unacceptable

Transbay service retention means less local service in EPCs



A Staff Recommended Strategy

Broaden Frequent Network

Run lines 1T, 6, **10, 18,** 20/21, 51, 52, **57,** 97, and **NL** every 15 minutes

Improve Reliability (Customer Focused, Operator

Supportive)

Focus improvements where on-time performance (OTP) < 70%

Tune Frequency for efficiency

Minor changes (e.g. 15 -> 17 min.) where savings possible



Broaden Frequent Network

Needs 38 operators

Jan 24 Plan:

Lines 1T, 6, 40, 20/21, 51, 52, 54, 72/72M, 73 & 97

22%

of service area residents can access 15 minute or better service*

Add: Lines 10, 18, 57, NL Less Frequent: Lines 54, 73

32%

of service area residents can access 15 minute or better service*

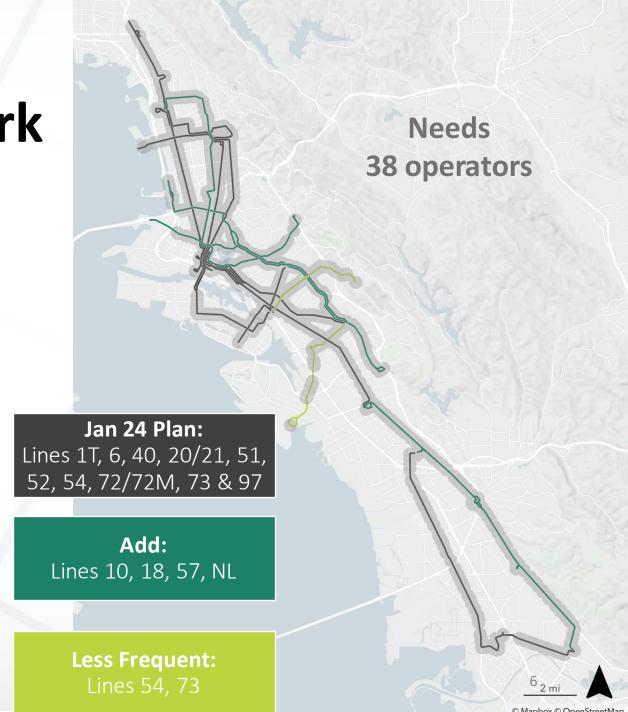


Broaden Frequent Network

of service area residents can access 15 minute or better service*

*Census 2020 population estimates, quarter-mile buffer

- + 166k people total
- + 48k people of color
- + 38k < 200% Fed Poverty Level





Improve Reliability (OTP-focused)

Needs 10 operators

- Data from Fall 2023 show eight local lines (Bus Lines 6, 12, 18, 56, 72M, 72R, 74, and 96) with On-time-Performance (OTP) under 70%.
- Proposal would add a bus into the cycle to allow for additional runtime and/or layover as necessary where significant changes to line were not already taking place (Bus Lines 12, 56, 72M, 74, 96)
- Operator-facing: Identify opportunities to improve end-of-line layover times where feasible to improve reliability and support operators.



Tune Frequency for Efficiency

- Clockface headways, while often convenient and more legible, are a luxury with resource constraints and the use of smartphone trip planning.
- Where possible and finding sufficient operator and/or financial resources becomes challenging, staff will reduce frequencies where minor changes (i.e., 15 -> 16 minutes) would yield significant resource savings.
- Examples: Line 46L, which operates at a 62-63 minutes frequency with 1 bus rather than a 60-minute frequency with very long layovers or significant interlining.



What we've heard from Alameda

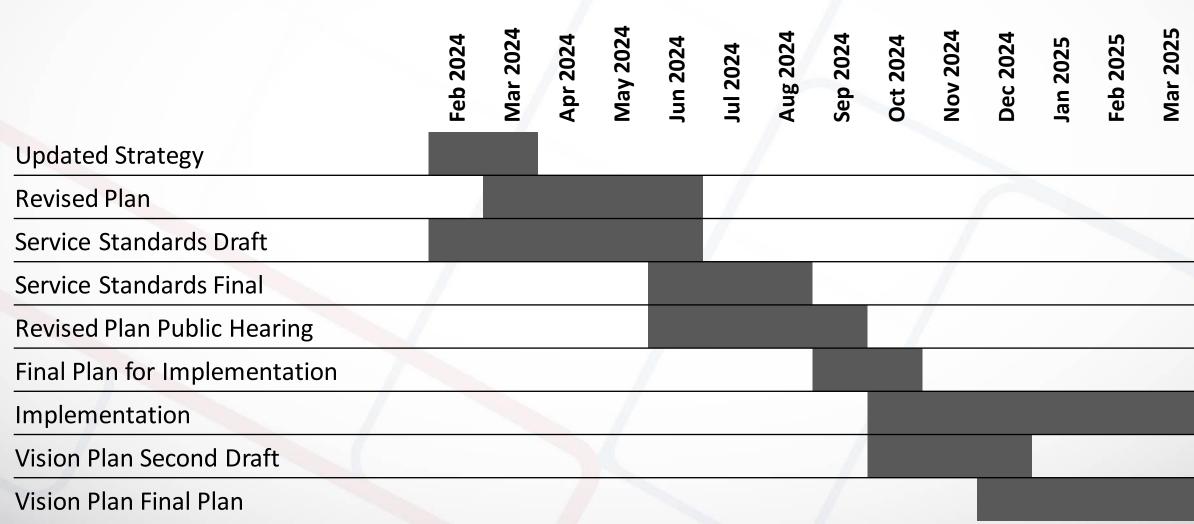
- Desire for direct Oakland Kaiser access (currently provided on Line 51A)
- Desire for Oakland Airport access, concern about usefulness of one-way loop alignment (proposed Line 21)
- Concern about utility of bus-to-Main Street Ferry connection (proposed Line 19 extension)



Project Schedule/ Outreach and Communications



Timeline by Task



Public Outreach and Communications (towards March 2025)

Date	Phase 4 Activity – Outreach, Communications & Engagement, a 2-part process
MAR 13, 2024	Board Meeting: Realign update Review/Approve Updated Strategy [APPROVED]
MAY 15, 2024	Public Release of Updated Draft Service Plan / Public Engagement window <u>OPENS</u> (3 Weeks)
MAY 23, 2024	AC Transit Realign Workshop via Zoom – Updated Draft Service Plan Review/Q&A (Public Meeting)
JUN 5, 2024 (5PM)	Updated Draft Service Plan Open House (4PM – 6:30PM)
	Special Board Meeting: Realign workshop and feedback on updated Draft Service Plan
	CLOSE public feedback window on updated Draft Service Plan
AUG 7, 2024	Set Public Hearing on draft Final Service Plan / Public Hearing Comment Period OPENS
SEP 9, 10, and 11, 2024	Public Hearing(s)*
	 9/9 at 6PM and 9/10 at 9AM (Two staff-led public hearings)
	• 9/11 at 2PM and 6PM (Two Board-led public hearings)
SEP 11, 2024	Public Hearing Comment Period <u>CLOSES</u>
OCT 9, 2024	Board Decision on Final Service Plan
OCT 10, 2024	Implementation Team begins, scheduling, testing, training, communications development
FEB 2, 2025	Public Information, Education and Communications begin and continue thru March 30, 2025
MAR 2025	Implement new Network Service Plan



Public Outreach and Communications (through June 5th)

March 13th

Board Meeting Board Reviews/Approves Updated Strategy

April-May

Updates available online

May 15th

Plan Preview in Market; outreach begins

June 5th

Special Board
Meeting; comment
period/outreach
closes

Five weeks for promotions

Three weeks for outreach

eNews / Social Media

Promotions on Buses

Realign Project Webpage

Media Ad Buys

Route Profile Books @ Libraries

City Council Announcements Pop-ups at Bus stops & onboard Buses

CBO Hosted Events

Experience Advisory Group AC Transit
Realign
Workshop*



^{*} Public Workshop on 5/23/2024 @ 6pm via Zoom.