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NEW TRANSBAY RAIL CROSSING (NTRC) CITY OF ALAMEDA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Need for the New Transbay Rail Crossing Program

Continued growth and prosperity in the Northern California Megaregion is hindered by a transportation system that, particularly through the Transbay Corridor, is unable to meet the needs of the 21-county area.

- > Increasing congestion
- > Unreliable travel times
- > Overcrowded trains
- > Lack of transbay redundancy



CAPITOL The **HNTB** Team



MTC Core Capacity Transit Study (2017)



Long Term #2, 3, 4 East Bay Alignments

Two options to connect to MacArthur Station:

- 980 Corridor (BART/rail)
- Broadway (BART only)





NTRC Program Partnership

BART and CCJPA have partnered to advance the NTRC Program through close collaboration with stakeholders, including our jurisdiction partners.





What does it mean for Alameda

Potential Program alternatives could include a BART station in Alameda.

Alameda Transportation Choices Plan

> "BART to Alameda: Two-thirds of respondents (65%) would strongly support (47%) or support somewhat (18%) a BART station in Alameda."

BART's System Expansion Policy (updated 2002)

- > Criteria for Advancement
 - Transit Supportive Land Use and Access
 - Ridership Development Plan
 - Cost Effectiveness
 - Regional Network Connectivity
 - System and Financial Capacity
 - Partnership

BART Station Access Policy (2016)

> Prioritizes sustainable access modes

BART Station Design Access Hierarchy





Program Highlights

- > Key Milestones
 - Created Program Vision Statement and Equity Vision Statement
 - Identified Goals and Objectives
 - Initiated the Business Case Framework (Alternatives Analysis)
- > Upcoming Activities
 - Develop an Equity Framework
 - Solidify Overall Program Timeline
 - Release Procurement (August 2020)
 - Solicit public input beginning in Fall 2020 including launch of program website
 - Continue market analysis and other technical analyses



Program Vision

The New Transbay Rail Crossing Program will transform the passenger rail network in the Northern California Megaregion into a faster, more integrated system that provides a safe, efficient, equitable, and affordable means of travel for all types of trips.

This Program, including a new rail connection between Oakland and San Francisco, will make rail and transit the mode of choice for trips throughout the megaregion.

2040 Northern California Passenger Rail Network





NTRC Program Timeline Overview





Business Case Evaluation Framework



What are the Megaregion benefits?

- Passenger Experience >
- Community, Livability and > Equity
- Economic Growth and > Competitiveness
- Environmental > Stewardship

ECONOMIC CASE

What are the economic costs and benefits?

- **Benefit/Cost Analysis** >
- Business and > Employment
- Jobs and Housing >



CASE

What is the financial viability?

- **Revenue Generation** >
- Cost Effectiveness >
- Funding Opportunities >
- **Financing Options** >



DELIVERABILITY & OPERATIONS CASE

What is required to deliver and operate the project?

- Governance >
- **Project Risks** >
- Construction and > Operations
- **Network Functionality** >



Goals and Objectives



B: Enhance Community and Livability

B1: Enhance ConnectivityB2: Improve Safety, Health and Air QualityB3: Advance Equity

C: Support Economic Growth and Global Competitiveness

C1: Improve Access to Opportunity and Employment

C2: Connect Major Economic, Research and Education Centers

C3: Enable Transit Supportive Land Use

A: Transform the Passenger Experience

D: Advance Environmental Stewardship and Protection

D1: Increase Climate Change Resilience

D2: Reduce GHG emissions

D3: Conserve Resources

A1: Provide Better Service

A2: Improve Reliability and System Performance

A3: Build Ridership and Mode Share



Equity Vision Statement

The NTRC Program is committed to:

- > Developing and implementing a process that incorporates equity throughout all aspects of the Program.
- > **Building** respectful and interactive community partnerships.
- > **Investing** in representative and accessible community engagement.
- > **Valuing** the lived experience and input of individuals from priority populations.
- > Ensuring that small and disadvantaged businesses are integrated throughout the Program's lifecycle.



The Public Supports NTRC

Description (abbreviated): This project will develop an integrated rail system that will make many direct trips throughout northern California possible by rail (including the greater Bay Area, the Monterey Bay area, the Sacramento area, and parts of the Central Valley), in part by providing another transbay rail crossing in order to increase rail service.





Plan Bay Area – Blueprint Transportation Element

- > NTRC is currently in the 2nd phase (2035+) of PBA 2050
 - It does not compete for funds with projects in the 1st phase
- > NTRC is necessary to meet the region's GHG and VMT reduction targets
- > NTRC was the most costeffective transit megaproject in MTC's Horizon report
- > Seeking support to ensure that NTRC stays in PBA

Expand and Modernize the Regional Rail Network





Next Steps

- Market Analysis
- Public Engagement and Outreach (begins Fall 2020)
- Program Concepts and Alternatives Technical Papers
- Upcoming procurement for Program Identification & Project Selection
 - > RFP Release in August 2020 with possible contract award by December 2020
 - > One RFP with four service categories and two phases
 - Engagement/Outreach
 - Travel Demand / Land Use
 - Planning / Engineering
 - Environmental



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A dedicated NTRC Program website will be up in the fall. For now, please visit the Program page on the BART and CCJPA websites for more details:

- https://www.bart.gov/about/projects/transbay
- > <u>https://www.capitolcorridor.org/transbay-rail-crossing/</u>