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Hello

I've reviewed the material listed here in the [Regional Network Management \(RNM\) Progress Update Agenda](#) and find it very concerning and worrisome that the "Executive Board" is calling for a proposal for network management, which is basically the status quo and has been the past few decades.

When will transit directors and GM pull their heads out of the sand and begin including riders and policymakers in any regional network management structure? You transit Directors and GM do not rely on public transit the same way as those who truly need and depend on them showing up when they need it. Unless you begin involving the community and policy makers Bay Area public transit will continue to see only those who need to use public transit vs those that would use it.

Get your shit together.

Best,
Joel

In case you like to read

A federated model building on the Clipper Executive Board may be a useful interim step to improve transit coordination. But it is not a model of a stable and effective network manager, because transit executives are not policymakers.

The executives are accountable first and foremost to their own board, meaning that changes they achieve together are likely to be limited and fragile. Any regional solutions are likely to be "lowest common denominator solutions" that have the least local agency opposition, rather than solutions that provide the most net benefits to riders. If they propose substantive changes, those decisions need to go back for approval to many separate boards. If the boards delegate firmly to the executives, then there is a lack of accountability to constituents.