



# BAIFA Committee Recommendation

Bay Area Infrastructure  
Financing Authority

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# BAIFA Reconfiguration April 2022

BAIFA board is co-terminus with MTC board

Responsibilities include:

## Express Lanes

- Provide a forum that facilitates seamless regional tolling and network planning through coordinated policy and strategic planning (advisory)
- Deliver and operate MTC's express lane network in Alameda, Contra Costa and Solano counties (authorized by CTC)

## SR 37

- Serve as SR 37 Tolling Authority – Deliver and operate tolling on Sears Point – Mare Island segment (when authorized)

Regional Transportation Conduit Financing, e.g., BART car replacement

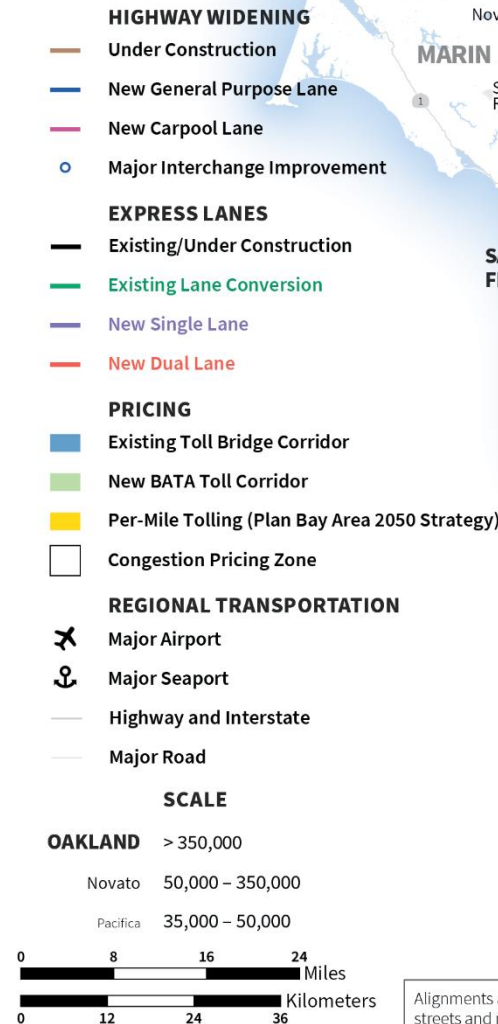
Committee structure TBD by action of BAIFA board

# Seamless Regional Tolling

## Develop advisory, regional policy approaches

- Toll policy: HOV requirements, discounts, equity, violation penalties, etc.
- Potentially, regional network planning, in close coordination with regional transit planning

## Plan Bay Area 2050 Pricing Investments



Alignments are for illustrative purposes only. Improvements to local streets and roads or highway projects costing less than \$100 million are not shown. For more information on the individual transportation projects included in Plan Bay Area 2050, see the Transportation Project List.

Source: TomTom North America, 2019  
Map Author: PB, 5/22

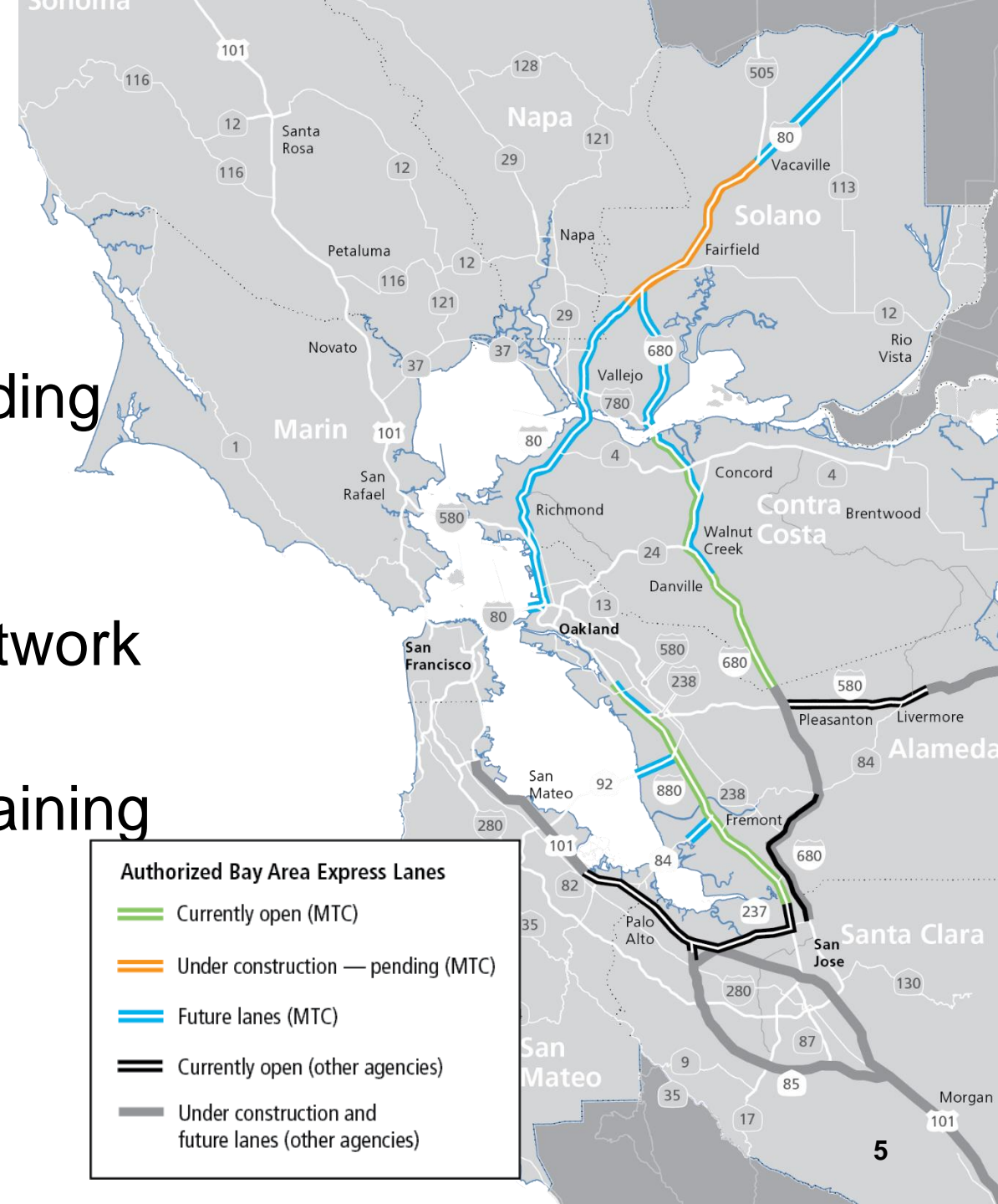
# Seamless Tolling Landscape

Understand synergies and conflicts in tolling policies and develop advisory policy

	BATA	SR 37 (pending authorization)	Express Lanes Voluntary alignment among operators
<b>Toll Rates</b>	Based on statute and number of axles. Must cover debt service, O&M and Rehab and Regional Measures	Likely aligned with BATA	Based on congestion
<b>Discounts</b>	HOV: 50% Clean air vehicles: 50%	TBD	HOV: free or 50% Clean air vehicles: 50%
<b>Violation Penalties</b>	\$5 + \$10 Low-income payment plan	Likely aligned with BATA	\$10 + \$20 Low-income payment plan
<b>HOV Hours</b>	Peak periods (match express lanes in future?)	TBD	5 AM to 8 PM (same as tolling)
<b>HOV Occupancy</b>	HOV 2+/HOV 3+ Consultation with Caltrans	TBD Consultation with Caltrans	HOV 2+/HOV 3+ Consultation with Caltrans
<b>Equity</b>	Reduced fees and penalties; payment plan; mobile app; language support	Build on BATA and express lanes. Pursue option for low-income discount	Pilots underway (BAIFA and San Mateo)

# Deliver and Operate MTC's Express Lane Network

- Approve toll rates and policies, including discounts and equity programs
- Adopt toll ordinance (toll violations)
- Deliver, operate and maintain the network
- Direct toll revenue: O&M, asset management, network buildout, remaining revenue, etc.
- Adopt annual budget and long-range financial plan



# Deliver and Operate State Route 37 Tolling Sears Point to Mare Island (when authorized)

In consultation with the SR 37 Policy Committee

- Approve toll rates, including discounts
- Adopt toll ordinance (toll violations)
- Deliver, operate & maintain toll system
- Direct toll revenue: O&M, interim and ultimate projects, other eligible corridor expenses



# Recommended Committees

	<b>Regional Tolling Policy Committee</b> Coordinated policy & planning (advisory forum)	<b>Network and Operations Committee</b> Delivery & operation of MTC Express Lane Network & SR 37 (when authorized)	<b>Full BAIFA Board</b>
<b>Membership</b>	<p>One commissioner for each Bay Area county</p> <p>CalSTA (non-voting)</p>	<p>One commissioner for each county in a BAIFA toll facility</p> <p>MTC express lanes: ALA, CC, SOL</p> <p>Three at-large representatives; seats will be designated when SR 37 tolling is authorized: MRN, NAP, SON</p> <p>CalSTA (non-voting)</p>	Same as MTC
<b>Freq</b>	As needed, likely 3- 6 times annually	Monthly	Monthly
<b>Scope</b>	Recommendations for consideration by BAIFA, BATA and other toll operators (e.g., toll policy and Express Lanes Strategic Plan)	<p>Policy, technical and financial recommendations to BAIFA board (e.g., toll rates, discounts, violations, budget and use of toll revenue)</p> <p>Approvals for implementation and operation contracts and for service agreements</p>	<p>Issue transportation financing</p> <p>Approve advisory policy approaches from Toll Policy Committee</p> <p>Approve policy, technical and financial items from Network &amp; Operations Committee</p>

# Examples

Violation Penalties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review potential for coordinated approach by <b>Regional Tolling Policy Committee</b></li> <li>• Approval of coordinated approach by <b>BAIFA board</b> (if desired)</li> <li>• Approval for implementation by <b>various boards</b>, e.g., each EL operator board would approve penalties for their Express Lanes; BATA and GGBHTD would each approve for their toll bridges</li> </ul>
SR 37 Toll Schedule and Toll Ordinance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review in context of coordinated approach by <b>Regional Tolling Policy Committee</b></li> <li>• Hearing and recommendation to BAIFA by <b>Network and Operations Committee</b></li> <li>• Approval by <b>BAIFA board</b></li> </ul>
BAIFA Annual Budget BAIFA Express Lanes Long-Range Financial Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review by <b>Network and Operations Committee</b></li> <li>• Approval by <b>BAIFA board</b></li> </ul>
Contracts for Express Lanes or SR 37	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review and approval by <b>Network and Operations Committee</b></li> </ul>
BART Car Financing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review and approval by <b>BAIFA board</b></li> </ul>