



TRANSIT 2050 +

# Transit 2050+: Draft Goals and Network Definition



Policy Advisory Council

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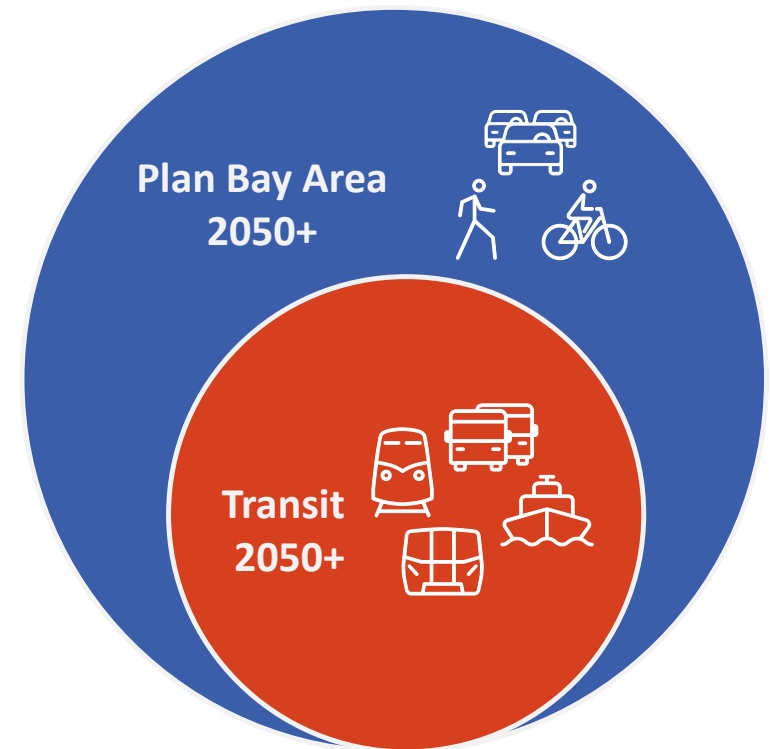




# Background



- Transit 2050+ began as the Connected Network Plan that was identified in the Transit Transformation Action Plan & Plan Bay Area 2050 Implementation Plan.
- In December 2022, staff recommended a harmonized approach where connected network planning directly informs the official regional plan process through the Transit 2050+ initiative.
- Transit 2050+ will develop a service-oriented, fiscally-constrained transit network concept by updating the six transit-related strategies in Plan Bay Area 2050+ using a data-driven approach to identifying investment priorities.



# Transit 2050+ Scope and Schedule



## Phase 1

**Spring/Summer 2023**

1. Draft Goals and Outcomes, Network Definition
2. Existing Conditions, Needs, Gaps & Opportunities
3. Performance Assessment Methodology & Approach



## Phase 2

**Summer 2023 through Spring 2024**

4. Project Performance Assessment for Plan Bay Area 2050+
5. Develop Transit Network Concepts
6. Performance Assessment of Transit Network Concepts



## Phase 3

**Summer 2024**

7. Recommended Transit Network Concept
8. Transit 2050+ Integration into Final Plan Bay Area 2050+ Blueprint



## Phase 4

**Fall 2024 through Spring 2025**

9. Transit 2050+ Supplemental Report

# Transit 2050+ Project Management Team



Includes staff representatives from 7 large and 3 small transit operators.

Regular meetings throughout the project to:

- Provide feedback on outputs and deliverables
- Assist in consultant task order development
- Coordinating with other transit operator staff as needed

Focus for May and June:

- Draft Problem Statement
- Draft Goals and Outcomes
- Draft Network Definition
- Consultant Selection



# Draft Goals and Problem Statement Elements



## Goal 1: Develop an integrated, well-connected transit network.

- A Bay Area without a robust and cohesive transit network will have multiple negative impacts.
- Bus service has a lack of transit priority, service is still oriented toward traditional commuter patterns, and there are a lack of cohesive service connections.

## Goal 2: Recover and grow transit ridership and mode share.

- A decline in ridership took place throughout the 2010s and was exacerbated further by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- A decrease in ridership has introduced significant and imminent revenue shortfalls to keep the current transit network operating.

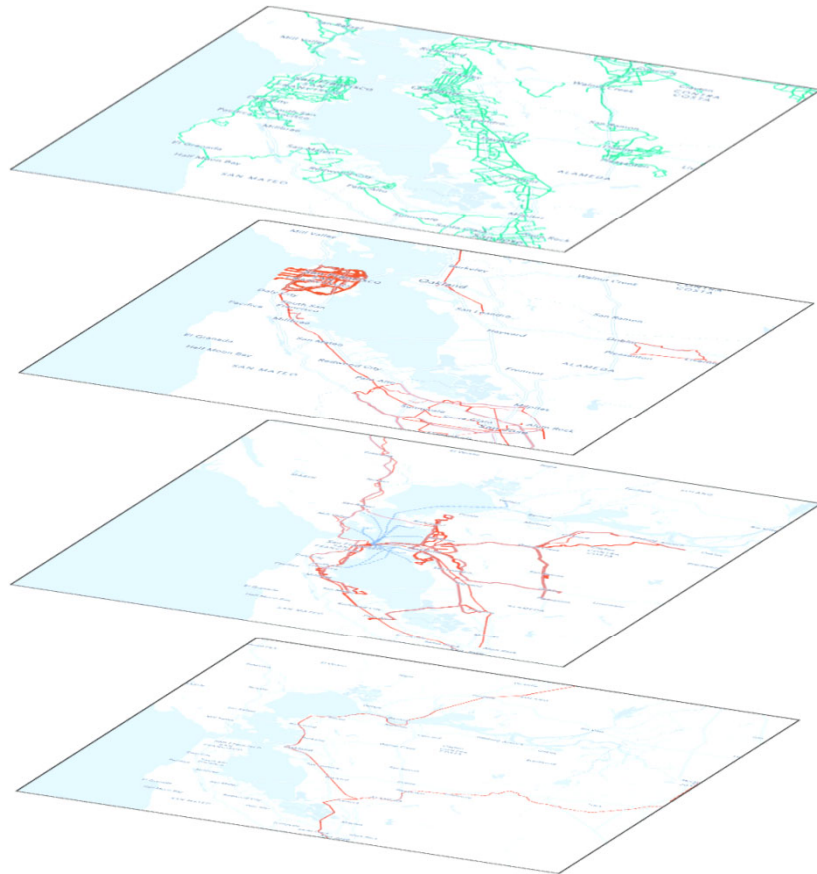
## Goal 3: Improve the reliability and average travel speed of transit service.

- Service is seen as infrequent, unreliable, and unsafe.

## Goal 4: Reduce barriers to using transit.

- Existing low-density areas designed for automobile access do not support cost-effective, frequent fixed-route transit service.
- These issues are even more acute for disadvantaged and vulnerable populations.

# DRAFT Transit Network Definition



**Local and Community Transit Services:** Buses, Shuttles, On-Demand

**High-Capacity Local Transit Services:** Light Rail, Bus Rapid Transit, Rapid Bus

**Regional Transit Services:** Rail, Ferry, Express Bus

**Interregional Transit Services:** Interregional Rail, Interregional Express Bus

**Needs and improvements identified locally and incorporated into Transit 2050+ Network Concepts**

**Needs and improvements identified both by existing local studies and plans as well as via Transit 2050+**

**Note:** Proposed definitions are still in development and are for planning purposes only. Maps are representative. Inclusion of future transit improvements in Transit 2050+ will depend on anticipated revenue forecasts through 2050.



# Next Steps



## June and July:

- Refine and finalize the Draft Purpose Statement, Goals and Outcomes, and Transit Network Definition
- Complete consultant selection and execute initial task orders (*June 14<sup>th</sup> MTC Admin Committee*)

## July through September:

- Conduct first round of public engagement for Plan Bay Area 2050+ and Transit 2050+
- Conduct analysis of Existing Conditions, Needs, and Gaps
- Begin work on Project Performance Assessment

## October through December:

- Develop Transit Network Concepts in advance of Network Performance Assessment

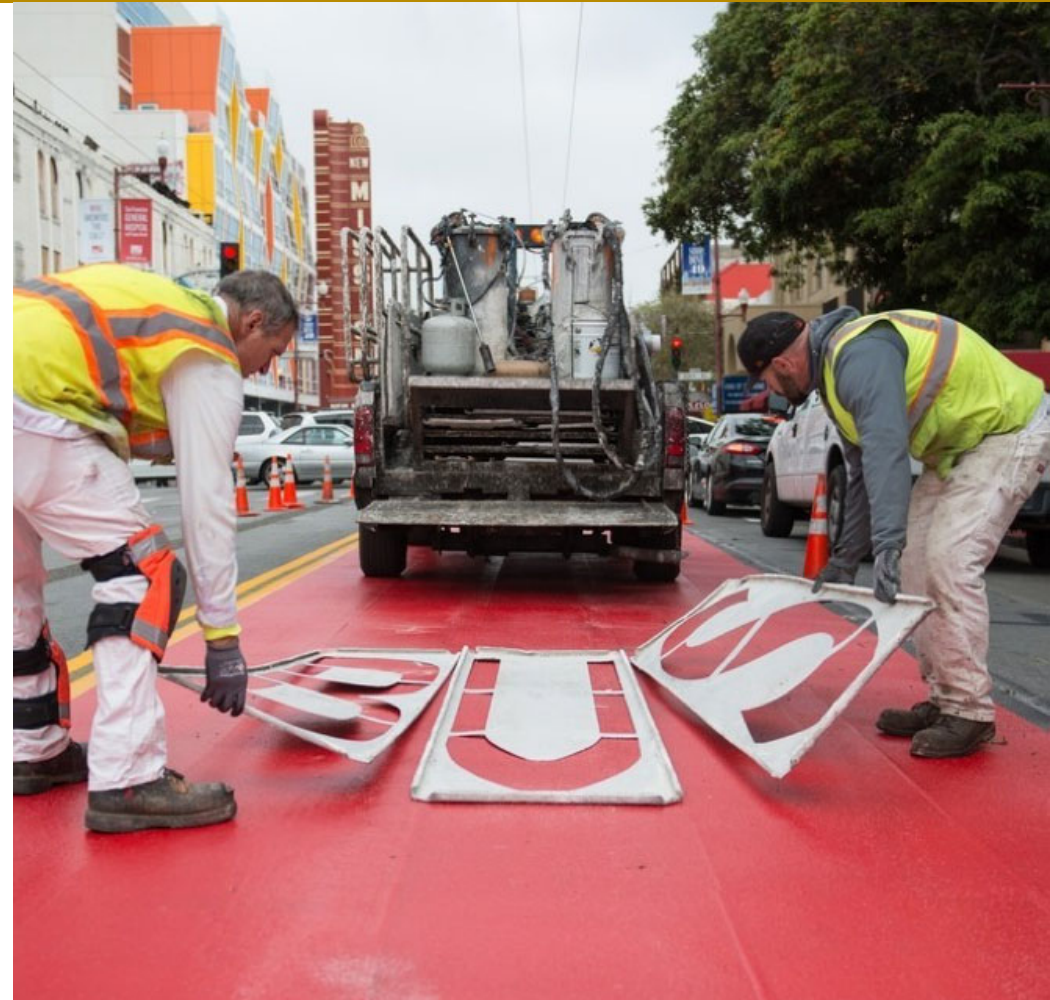


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# Questions and Discussion



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