



Transit Transformation Implementation Progress & Regional Network Management Council Two-Year Work Plan



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Regional Network Management Council

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Today's Agenda

1. Background
2. Transit Transformation Action Plan
3. RNM Council Revised Two-Year Work Plan
4. Next Steps



Our Story

2020

Regional task force convened

2021

Transit Transformation Action Plan approved

2022

Organizational structures evaluated

2023

Regional Network Management structure established

2024

Action Plan implementation

TODAY

Ongoing partnership and implementation

Our Programs

Reshaping the San Francisco Bay Area's transit system into a more connected, more efficient and more rider-focused mobility network across the entire region.

Fares and Payment

Simpler, consistent and equitable fares.

Customer Information

Make transit easier to navigate and more convenient.



Transit Network

A unified, efficient and reliable transit network.

Accessibility

Improving services for older adults and people with disabilities.

2021 Transit Transformation Action Plan

27 Near-Term Actions

Initial steps towards Transit Transformation

- Fares & Payments [3]
- Customer Information [3]
- Transit Priority [6]
- Transit Network Planning & Governance [8]
- Accessibility [5]
- Funding [2]

KEY ELEMENTS

- Expand **collaboration** between MTC, transit agencies and other partners
- Define **ambitious near-term milestones** as part of a **longer-term roadmap**
- Facilitate alignment on **funding to advance initiatives**



TODAY

- Ongoing actions and next steps are being **guided by RNM governance bodies**
- Many actions have been **completed or substantially advanced**, but **continued work is needed**

Funding for Transit Transformation

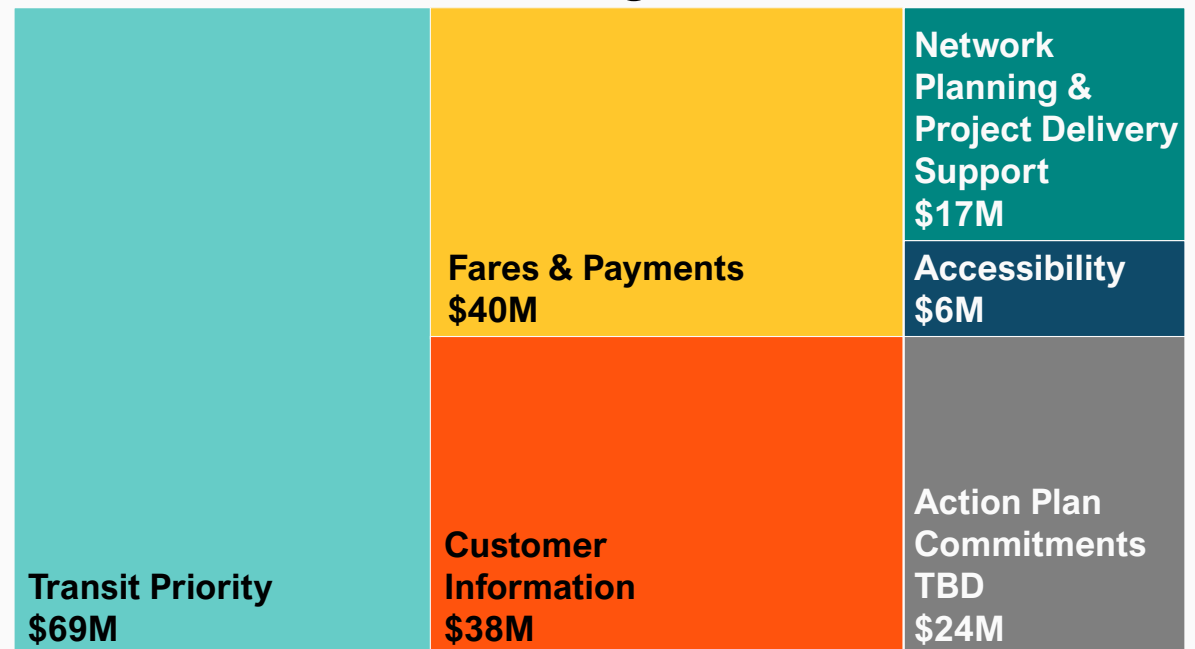
TAP Funding (\$85M):
One-time funding to support near-term implementation

+

Additional Leveraged Funds (\$110M):
Variety of other sources to fund TAP initiatives and other RNM activities, including projects and programs that existed prior to the formation of RNM



\$195M One-Time Funding



Note: Amounts do not include potential future funding sources.

Funding Highlights

\$154M in rider-focused investments

\$50M

Operations

Directly to Transit Agencies
for Fare Programs; Paratransit
One-Seat Ride Pilots; etc.

\$104M

Capital Projects

For Maps, Signs & Standards;
Transit Priority Investments;
etc.

+ \$17M for planning initiatives and TAP project delivery for 5 years

+ \$24M in Action Plan Commitments TBD

= \$195M total one-time funding



2021 TAP Implementation Progress



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Actions Completed

- Fare Coordination Integration Study Recommendations [3]
- Bay Area Transit Priority Policy & Funding Programs [5]
- Transit 2050+ (Connected Network Planning)
- Regional Governance & Subregional Coordination Efforts [5]
- Paratransit Pilots, Payments & Eligibility Practices [3]
- Funding [2]



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Actions Underway

- Mapping & Wayfinding Standards
- Mapping & Wayfinding Pilots
- Regional Mapping Data Services
- Transit Priority Roadway Assessment
- Paratransit Challenges & Reforms



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On Hold

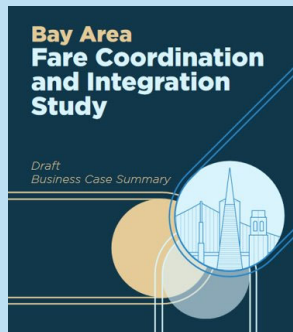
- Transit Equity Principles
- Transit Hub Toolkit
- Mobility Management

Fares & Payments

Simple, consistent and equitable fare and payment options attract more riders.

2021

Completed **Fare Coordination and Integration Study** and adopted **Fare Policy Vision Statement**



2024

Launched **Clipper BayPass** Phase 2 Pilot

- **100K+ participants** at 20+ organizations
- **18M+ trips** since 2024

2025

Launched **Free and Discounted Interagency Transfers**

- **\$2.85 discount** per transfer
- **\$7M+ in customer savings**



2022

Launched **Clipper BayPass** Phase 1 Pilot



2024

Clipper START* extended and expanded, providing a uniform **50% discount**

- **12M+ trips** since 2020
- **\$9M+ in customer savings** per year
- **80K+ enrolled customers**

Next steps:

- Evaluate and determine next steps for **pilot programs**
- Consider next steps in **Fare Policy Vision Statement**



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***Note:** This item was not included as a 2021 TAP action, though it is closely related.

Customer Information

Integrated maps, signs and real-time schedule information makes transit easier to navigate and more convenient for new and existing riders.

2022

Selected vendor to develop new **Regional Mapping and Wayfinding standards**

2023

Began **engagement** with riders and transit agencies

2023

Began development of a **digital regional mapping data services** platform to streamline map creation

2024

Revised **pilot delivery strategy**



2026

Released **Transit Stop Signage and Regional Network Identity Design Guides**



2026

Installed **locally-led projects**, including Castro Muni Metro, Regional Maps at BART stations, SolTrans bus stop signs and more

Late 2024 - Mid 2025

Installed test prototypes at **El Cerrito del Norte Station and Santa Rosa Transit Mall and SMART station**



Next steps:

- Install **new maps and signs** at pilot locations
- Release **digital mapping platform** and **V1 standards**
- Develop plan for **post-pilot implementation**

Transit Priority

Bay Area transit services are equitably planned and integrally managed as a united, efficient and reliable network.

2023

Established BusAID grant program to fund delivery of quick-build transit priority projects

2024

Awarded \$22M for 14 quick-build transit priority projects in Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Santa Clara, San Francisco and San Mateo counties

2024

SB 960 directed Caltrans to adopt a transit priority policy for state highways

2025

Began **Transit Priority Roadway Assessment**

2026

MTC adopted the **Bay Area Transit Priority Policy for Roadways**

2026

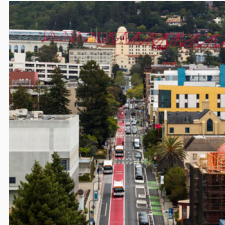
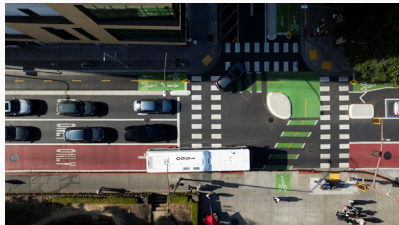
Caltrans released **Director's Policy on Transit**

2016+

Bay Bridge Forward

2012+

\$140M invested through the **Transit Performance Initiative**



Next steps:

- Complete **Roadway Assessment & Regional Transit Priority Network**
- Release call for projects for **BusAID Round 2**

Accessibility

Transit services are easier to use, and improve access and mobility for older adults, people with disabilities, and those with lower incomes.

2023

Streamlined **Clipper Access** application process for ADA paratransit riders

2024

Commenced development to allow riders to pay for **ADA paratransit services with Clipper**

2024

Identified opportunities to improve **standardization of ADA paratransit eligibility processes**

2026

Awarded funding to **four one-seat paratransit ride pilot projects**. Beginning implementation and evaluations.



2024

MTC adopted update to **Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan,*** which addresses mobility for older adults, people with disabilities and low-income populations

2025

Accessible Futures Conference* brought together the Bay Area disability community



Next Steps:

- Engagement with riders and transit agencies to prioritize paratransit challenges and improvements
- Complete integration of ADA paratransit services with Clipper

***Note:** These items were not included as 2021 TAP actions, though they are closely related.

Transit Network, Governance & Funding

*Bay Area transit services are equitably planned and integrally managed as a united, efficient and reliable network.
The Bay Area's transit system uses its existing resources more efficiently and secures new, dedicated revenue to meet its capital and operating needs.*

2021

Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Taskforce adopted **Transit Equity Principles**

2022

Completed the **Network Management Business Case**

2022

Issued **Bay Area Regional Transit Data Guidelines**

2021

Funded **subregional studies** in Sonoma, Solano and Contra Costa counties

2023

Established the **RNM Committee, Council and Customer Advisory Group***



2024

Approved approach for **RNM Performance Measures***

2023

Completed the **Regional Rail Partnerships Study**

2025

Completed the **Transit 2050+** connected network planning effort



2026

Completed **Two-Year RNM Framework Review*** identifying opportunities to improve regional transit coordination

2025

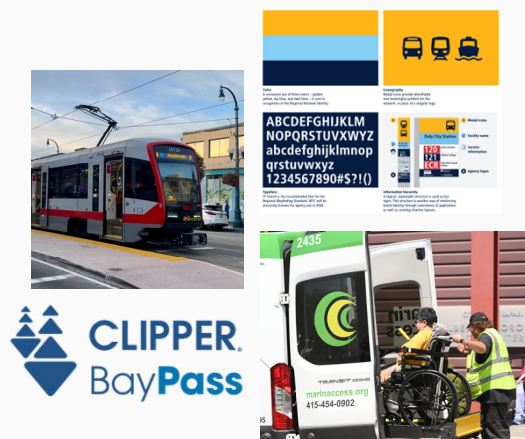
SB 63 signed into law, authorizing a **regional transit funding measure** for November 2026



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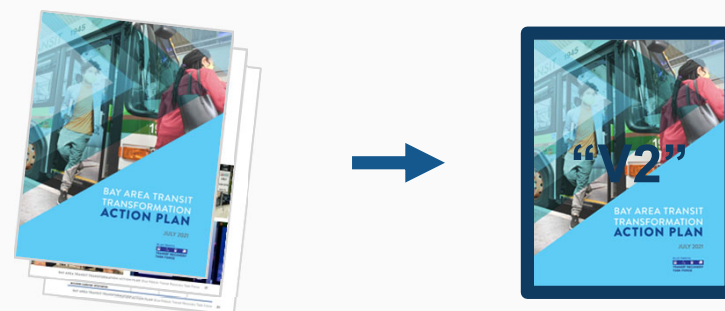
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Looking Forward: RNM Council Work Plan & TAP Update



RNM Council Work Plan

- Continue advancing rider-focused improvements, guided in the near-term by the **RNM Council Work Plan**



Transit Transformation Action Plan “V2”

- Begin discussions in early 2027, engaging the **RNM bodies** to guide the process
- Address **RNM Framework Review recommendations**, including:
 - Refine the long-term **mission and vision**
 - Discuss and align on **regional priorities**
 - Jointly develop a sustainable **funding strategy**
- Improve alignment with **RNM performance measures**

RNM Council Work Plan Purpose

- 1 Set clear priorities and goals for RNM Council **topics and timing**
- 2 Maximize effectiveness of RNM Council meetings as a **venue for regional discussions**

The RNM Council's Work Plan consists of activities that:

- ✓ Are guided by and **advance TAP outcomes**
- ✓ Focus on delivering **tangible benefits to riders**
- ✓ Are most effectively addressed at the **regional level**

RNM Council Two-Year Work Plan: Focus Areas

RNM Council Governance & Funding

- Biennial Elections
- Annual Work Plan Updates
- TAP Amendment
- Performance Measure Reporting & Surveys
- Funding for RNM Operations and Initiatives
- Explore Integration of the Clipper Executive Board

Transit Transformation Action Plan



Fares & Payment

- Clipper START
- Clipper BayPass
- Free and Discounted Interagency Transfers
- Study Common Regional Fare Structure



Customer Information

- Regional Mapping & Wayfinding (Standards & Pilots)
- Real-Time Transit Information
- Strategic & Cohesive Communications



Transit Network

- Bay Area Transit Priority Policy for Roadways Implementation
- Transit Priority Funding Programs
- Transit Priority Roadway Assessment



Accessibility

- Paratransit Eligibility Practices
- Regional Paratransit Trips (e.g. one-seat ride pilots)
- Paratransit Analysis
- Coordination and Traveler Services for Mobility Priority Populations (Mobility Management)

RNM Council Two-Year Work Plan: FY26-27 Highlights



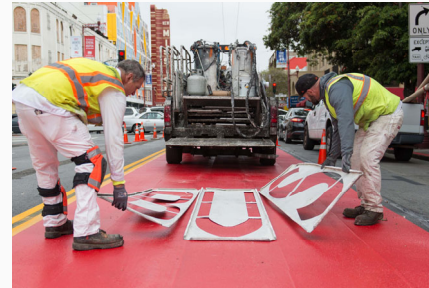
Fares & Payments

- Continue expanding **Clipper START** awareness and enrollment
- Expand **Clipper BayPass** to new institutions and uses
- Evaluate performance of regional fare programs, including **Free/Discounted Transfers**



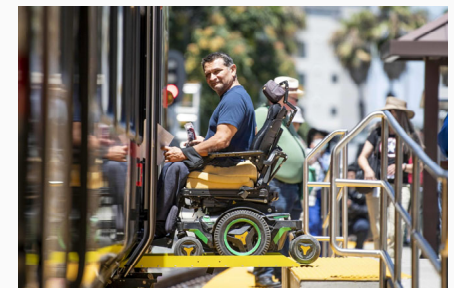
Customer Information

- Preparations for and implementation of **Regional Mapping & Wayfinding pilots** at regional transit hubs
- Refine and augment communications to expand awareness of **RNM activities**



Transit Priority

- Complete the **Transit Priority Roadway Assessment**
- Develop and adopt a **Regional Transit Priority Network**
- Issue call for projects for the next round of **transit priority grant funding**



Accessibility

- Monitor and evaluate **regional paratransit pilots**
- Implement **standardized eligibility practices** and **Clipper support** for ADA paratransit
- Commence activities to **prioritize paratransit challenges**

Thank You & Next Steps

- **Today:** Consider Approval of Two-Year Work Plan
- **October 2026:** Report on progress in Q1 of FY27
- **Early 2027:** Discussions to update the TAP

