

**Bay Area Toll Authority
Oversight Committee**

January 8, 2025

Agenda Item 4c-24-1453

**Funding Agreement Amendment – Yerba Buena Island West Side Bridges Seismic Retrofit
Project: San Francisco County Transportation Authority (\$4,500,000)**

Subject:

A request for Committee approval of an amendment to the funding agreement with the San Francisco County Transportation Authority (SFCTA) for an amount not to exceed \$4,500,000 for the Yerba Buena Island (YBI) West Side Bridges Seismic Retrofit Project (West Side Bridges Project).

Background:

The YBI West Side Bridges Project is one of four roadway projects administered by the SFCTA on the Island. The roadway projects on YBI will modernize its critical transportation infrastructure, supporting the ongoing redevelopment of both Treasure Island and YBI. These improvements align with the Multimodal Bay Skyway Project, which aims to construct and operate a cohesive and complementary multi-use pathway improvements, including improved connections to the Treasure Island Ferry, in the region’s most congested corridor—the Transbay Corridor—which includes Interstate 80 (I-80).

The West Side Bridges Project, which broke ground in June 2023, currently includes two interim retaining walls. For the YBI Multi-use Path Project, one of four interconnected project components for the Multimodal Bay Skyway Project, one of these walls will need to be demolished and reconstructed, while the other will be retrofitted to extend its length. The future retrofitting and reconstruction can be avoided if an additional \$10 million in funding is identified to build walls that accommodate the future YBI Multi-use Path Project during the current construction for the YBI West Side Bridges Project. This feature was designed but pulled from the plans in 2023 by SFCTA due to lack of funding.

Building these walls now will save more than \$10 million in future demolition and construction costs by seizing opportunities to increase construction efficiencies and reduce future construction impacts. The retaining walls are a critical component to the YBI Multi-use Path, which is a key piece of the Multimodal Bay Skyway project that will improve transportation alternatives in the Bay Bridge corridor.

The SFCTA has been seeking the funds needed to add the reduced scope back into the West Side Bridges Project and recently secured \$5.5 million in the federal Housing Incentive Program (HIP) grant and \$4.5 million in the state Local Partnership Program (LPP) grant. However, the West Side Bridges Project cannot accept LPP funds directly because its construction contract has already been awarded, which is not allowed under the LPP guidelines. The SFCTA proposes a fund exchange with BATA to exchange their \$4.5 million LPP funds for an equivalent amount of toll funds. After coordinating with both the SFCTA and Caltrans, BATA reached an agreement with Caltrans to apply SFCTA's LPP funds to the SFOBB Paint Project in the Toll Bridge Rehabilitation Capital Program.

When completed, the YBI roadway projects (listed below) and the adjacent YBI Multi-use Path (shown below) will provide sustainable, safe, and active transportation options for traveler from San Francisco and the East Bay to Treasure Island and Yerba Buena Island.

The four YBI roadway projects are:

1. Southgate Project
2. Hillcrest Road Improvements Project
3. West Side Bridges Seismic Retrofit Project
4. Treasure Island Road and Transit Lane Project

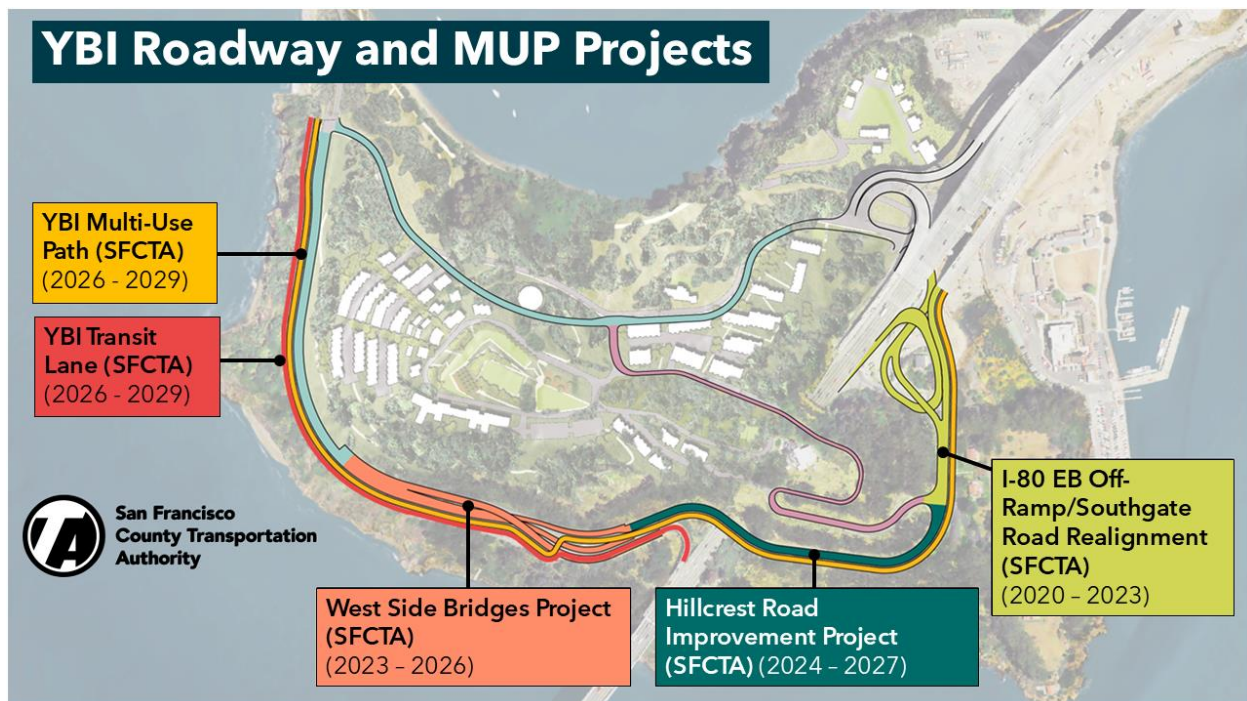


Illustration A: Locations of the YBI Roadway Projects and Multi-use Path Project.

Issues:

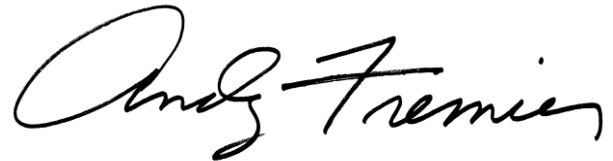
None identified.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the Committee authorize the Executive Director or his designee to negotiate and enter into a funding agreement amendment with the San Francisco County Transportation Authority (SFCTA) for an amount not to exceed \$4,500,000 for the Yerba Buena Island West Side Bridges Project.

Attachments:

- Request for Committee Approval Sheet - Summary of Funding Agreement Amendment with SFCTA



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Request for Committee Approval

Summary of Funding Agreement Amendment

Work Item No.: 1251

Consultant: San Francisco County Transportation Authority (SFCTA)
San Francisco, CA

Work Project Title: Yerba Buena Island West Side Bridges Seismic Retrofit Project
(Project)

Purpose of Project: Seismically retrofit and/or replace the bridge structures along Treasure Island Road on the west side of Yerba Buena Island and accommodate for a future Class I Multi-use facility that will link the existing Bay Bridge to the Treasure Island Ferry Terminal.

Brief Scope of Work: SFCTA shall administer and deliver the Project

Funding Amount Not-to-exceed: This amendment: \$4,500,000
Total funding agreement value before this amendment:
\$2,700,000
Maximum funding agreement amount after this amendment:
\$7,200,000

Funding Source: Toll Bridge Rehabilitation Program Funds

Fiscal Impact: Funds in the amount of \$4,500,000 are included in the FY 2024-25 BATA Toll Bridge Program Operating and Capital Budgets.

Motion by Committee: That the Executive Director or designee is authorized to negotiate and enter into a funding agreement amendment with SFCTA for the Project, as described above and in the BATA Oversight Committee Summary Sheet dated January 8, 2025; and the Chief Financial Officer is directed to set aside funds in the amount of \$4,500,000 for such funding agreement amendment.

Bay Area Toll Authority:

Margaret Abe-Koga, Vice Chair

Approved: January 8, 2025