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Washington, DC 20515

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Andrew Fremier
Executive Director
Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)
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RE: 2024 Safe Routes to Transit and Bay Trail (SR2TBT) Grant Application for the Alameda County Transportation Commission's (ACTC) East Bay Greenway Multimodal (Phase 1): Lake Merritt to Bayfair Project.

Dear Director Fremier,

We write regarding the Alameda County Transportation Commission's (ACTC) application to the 2024 Safe Routes to Transit and Bay Trail (SR2TBT) program for the East Bay Greenway Multimodal (Phase 1): Lake Merritt to Bayfair Project (the Project). According to ACTC, the Project will construct a regional trail bikeway facility and complete streets improvements along streets parallel to the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) system tracks between Lake Merritt BART station and the Bay Fair district through the cities of Oakland and San Leandro, California.

Per ACTC, the project, spanning 10.6 miles, will provide significant benefits to local communities: addressing safety issues along high injury network routes, ensuring investment in the mobility needs of Equity Priority Communities, and enhancing access to regional transit to alleviate congestion in Transbay bridge corridors. ACTC has also informed us that this transformative project is consistent with local, countywide, and regional transportation and land use plans and has been developed through a comprehensive and authentic community engagement process.

According to ACTC, the project has already obtained \$88.875 million in federal and state funds and ACTC is requesting \$25 million in 2024 SR2TBT funds which will be matched with local transportation funds to fully fund the project.

We kindly request ACTC's application to the 2024 SR2TBT program be given full and fair consideration, in accordance with applicable laws and guidelines. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Barbara Lee
Member of Congress



Eric Swalwell
Member of Congress