



Metropolitan Transportation Commission

Bay Area Metro Center
375 Beale Street
San Francisco, CA 94105

Meeting Agenda

Policy Advisory Council

Randi Kinman, Chair
Cynthia L. Murray, Vice Chair

Wednesday, February 12, 2020

1:30 PM

Board Room - 1st Floor

This meeting is scheduled to be webcast live on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's Website: <http://mtc.ca.gov/whats-happening/meetings> and will take place at 1:30 p.m.

1. Welcome

Randi Kinman, Council Chair

2. Roll Call / Confirm Quorum

Quorum: A quorum of this council shall be a majority of its regular voting members (12).

3. [20-0127](#)

Chair's Report
(5 minutes)

Action: Information

Presenter: Randi Kinman, Council Chair

4. [20-0128](#)

Approval of the January 8, 2020 Meeting Minutes
(5 minutes)

Action: Approval

Presenter: Randi Kinman, Council Chair

Attachments: [04 Council Minutes Jan 2020.pdf](#)

5. [20-0129](#)

Subcommittee Reports
(5 minutes)

The subcommittee may refer an item from its agenda to the full Council for action at its next meeting if needed.

Action: Information

Presenter: Jim Blacksten, Equity and Access Subcommittee Chair

6. Public Comments / Other Business

7. [20-0130](#) Policy Advisory Council Subcommittee on Fare Coordination / Integration (10 minutes)

Approval of a membership structure for the new Subcommittee on Fare Coordination/Integration which will advise the Regional Fare Coordination and Integration Study and Business Case.

Action: Approval

Presenter: William Bacon

Attachments: [07 Subcommittee on Fare Integration Proposal.pdf](#)

8. [20-0131](#) Nominations for 2020-2021 Policy Advisory Council Chair and Vice Chair (10 minutes)

Nominations for the 2020-2021 Chair and Vice Chair of the Policy Advisory Council will be opened next week at your February 12, 2020 meeting. The nomination period will remain open until the election, which is currently scheduled for your March 11, 2020 meeting.

Action: Discussion

Presenter: Marti Paschal, Staff Liaison

Attachments: [08 Nominations for Council Officers.pdf](#)

9. [20-0187](#) ABAG Resolution No. 02-2020, ABAG Resolution No. 03-2020, and MTC Resolution No. 4410: Plan Bay Area 2050: Draft Blueprint Growth Geographies (45 minutes)

Proposed Growth Geographies for integration into the Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint, including existing and new locally nominated Priority Development Areas (PDAs), Priority Production Areas (PPAs), and Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs), as well as select Transit-Rich and High-Resource Areas outside PDAs.

Action: Information

Presenter: Mark Shorett

Attachments: [09 PBA2050-Draft Blueprint-Growth Geographies.pdf](#)
[09 Handout-FriendsofNorthSonomaStronglyOpposeSpringsSpecificPlans_Febr](#)

10. [20-0186](#) Plan Bay Area 2050: Draft Blueprint - Strategies
(45 minutes)

Proposed strategies for integration into the Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint, which will be analyzed further this winter with findings to be released in spring 2020 for further public feedback and policymaker refinement.

Action: Information

Presenter: Dave Vautin

Attachments: [10_PBA2050-Draft Blueprint-Strategies.pdf](#)

11. [20-0132](#) Staff Liaison Report
(5 minutes)

Relevant MTC policy decisions and other activities.

Action: Information

Presenter: Marti Paschal, Staff Liaison

Attachments: [11_Staff_Liaison_Report_Feb_2020.pdf](#)

12. [20-0133](#) Council Member Reports
(10 minutes)

Members of the Council may report on locally relevant issues or events.

Action: Information

Presenter: Randi Kinman, Council Chair

13. [20-0134](#) New Business
(5 minutes)

Members of the Council may bring up new business for discussion or addition to a future agenda.

Action: Discussion

Presenter: Randi Kinman, Council Chair

14. Adjournment / Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Policy Advisory Council will be held Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. at the Bay Area Metro Center, 375 Beale Street, San Francisco, CA.

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Title: Chair's Report
(5 minutes)

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Subject:

Chair's Report
(5 minutes)

Presenter:

Randi Kinman, Council Chair

Recommended Action:

Information

Attachments:



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(5 minutes)
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Attachments: [04_Council_Minutes_Jan_2020.pdf](#)

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
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Subject:
Approval of the January 8, 2020 Meeting Minutes
(5 minutes)

Presenter:
Randi Kinman, Council Chair

Recommended Action:
Approval

Attachments:



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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Policy Advisory Council

Randi Kinman, Chair
Cynthia L. Murray, Vice Chair

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

1:30 PM

Board Room - 1st Floor

1. Welcome

2. Roll Call / Confirm Quorum

Rollcall

Present: 15 - Blacksten, Burnett, Coates, Hernandez, Kallins, Chair Kinman, Levin, Lopez, Madden, Mendoza, Momoh, Vice Chair Murray, Schweng, Williams and Ozim
Excused: 4 - Castellanos, Cochran, Hedges and Lee
Absent: 2 - Eldred and Florez

3. [19-1382](#) Chair's Report (5 minutes)

Action: Information

Presenter: Randi Kinman, Council Chair

4. [19-1383](#) Approval of the December 11, 2019 Meeting Minutes (5 minutes)

Action: Approval

Presenter: Randi Kinman, Council Chair

Attachments: [04_Council Minutes_Dec 2019.pdf](#)

Upon the motion by Madden and second by Vice Chair Murray, the December 11, 2019 Meeting Minutes were approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 14 - Blacksten, Burnett, Coates, Hernandez, Chair Kinman, Levin, Lopez, Madden, Mendoza, Momoh, Vice Chair Murray, Schweng, Williams and Ozim

Absent: 6 - Castellanos, Cochran, Eldred, Florez, Hedges and Lee

Abstain: 1 - Kallins

5. [19-1384](#) Subcommittee Reports
(5 minutes)

The subcommittee may refer an item from its agenda to the full Council for action at its next meeting if needed.

Action: Information

Presenter: Jim Blacksten, Subcommittee Chair

Via Chair's discretion, Public Comments/ Other Business was moved up the agenda.

11. Public Comments / Other Business

6. [20-0084](#) Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint: Proposed Strategies for the Environment Element
(45 minutes)

Overview of the environmental strategies under consideration for inclusion in the Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint. Strategies focused on transportation, housing, and the economy will be discussed at the joint workshop of the Commission and the ABAG Executive Board later this month.

Action: Information

Presenter: Anup Tapase and Rachael Hartofelis

Attachments: [06_PBA_2050_Draft_Blueprint_Proposed_Strategies_for_the_Environment_Element.pdf](#)

Jane Kramer was called to speak.

7. [20-0085](#) Plan Bay Area 2050: Transportation Element Next Steps
(45 minutes)

Information on the approach to move forward with the transportation investment strategy and complementary strategies for the Draft Blueprint.

Action: Information

Presenter: Adam Noelting and Anup Tapase

Attachments: [07_PBA_2050-Transportation_Element_Next_Steps.pdf](#)
[07i_Correspondence_Seamless_Bay_Area.pdf](#)

Jane Kramer was called to speak.

8. [19-1387](#) Staff Liaison Report
(5 minutes)

Relevant MTC policy decisions and other activities.

Action: Information

Presenter: Marti Paschal, Staff Liaison

Attachments: [08_Staff_Liaison_Report_Jan_2020.pdf](#)

9. [19-1388](#) Council Member Reports
(10 minutes)

Members of the Council may report on locally relevant issues or events.

Action: Information

Presenter: Randi Kinman, Council Chair

10. [19-1389](#) New Business
(5 minutes)

Members of the Council may bring up new business for discussion or addition to a future agenda.

Action: Discussion

Presenter: Randi Kinman, Council Chair

12. Adjournment / Next Meeting

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On agenda:	2/12/2020	Final action:			
Title:	Subcommittee Reports (5 minutes)				

The subcommittee may refer an item from its agenda to the full Council for action at its next meeting if needed.

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Subject:

Subcommittee Reports
(5 minutes)

The subcommittee may refer an item from its agenda to the full Council for action at its next meeting if needed.

Presenter:

Jim Blacksten, Equity and Access Subcommittee Chair

Recommended Action:

Information

Attachments:



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File #: 20-0130 **Version:** 1 **Name:**
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File created: 1/6/2020 **In control:** Policy Advisory Council
On agenda: 2/12/2020 **Final action:**
Title: Policy Advisory Council Subcommittee on Fare Coordination / Integration
(10 minutes)

Approval of a membership structure for the new Subcommittee on Fare Coordination/Integration which will advise the Regional Fare Coordination and Integration Study and Business Case.

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Attachments: [07 Subcommittee on Fare Integration Proposal.pdf](#)

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Subject:

Policy Advisory Council Subcommittee on Fare Coordination / Integration
(10 minutes)

Approval of a membership structure for the new Subcommittee on Fare Coordination/Integration which will advise the Regional Fare Coordination and Integration Study and Business Case.

Presenter:

William Bacon

Recommended Action:

Approval

Attachments:

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Policy Advisory Council**

February 12, 2020

Agenda Item 7

Policy Advisory Council Subcommittee on Fare Coordination / Integration

- Subject:** Approval of a membership structure for the new Subcommittee on Fare Coordination/Integration which will advise the Regional Fare Coordination and Integration Study and Business Case.
- Background:** MTC Resolution 3815, Revised established a new Subcommittee on Fare Coordination/Integration as a condition of the allocation of \$599,839 in Regional Measure 2 (RM2) funds to support the recently launched Regional Fare Coordination and Integration Study and Business Case. The Subcommittee will receive status updates, discuss the project, and provide feedback to MTC and BART staff, who are serving as Co-Project Managers for the study.
- The Subcommittee will include selected members of the Policy Advisory Council along with invited participants from business, equity, and other transit stakeholder organizations.
- The Subcommittee will meet every other month, starting in April 2020. Meetings will be held on the same Wednesdays (second of each month) as the Policy Advisory Council from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Bay Area Metro Center. Meetings could be cancelled for an individual month based on project progress. Meetings may also need to be held at a different time if there is a conflict with the Policy Advisory Council Equity and Access Subcommittee or another event. The Subcommittee will continue to meet throughout the duration of the study, expected to be 12-18 months.
- Issues:** None identified.
- Recommendation:** Policy Advisory Council approval of the proposed membership structure for the new Subcommittee on Fare Coordination/Integration.
- Attachments:** **Attachment A:** Membership Structure Proposal for the Subcommittee on Fare Coordination/Integration.

Membership Structure Proposal for the Subcommittee on Fare Coordination/Integration

Constituency	County	Proposed Subcommittee Member/Organization
Policy Advisory Council - Environment	San Mateo	Adina Levin
Policy Advisory Council - Low Income	Santa Clara	Randi Kinman
Policy Advisory Council - Environment	Marin	Wendi Kallins
Policy Advisory Council - Senior	San Mateo	Richard Hedges
Policy Advisory Council - Disabled	Alameda	Abigail Cochran
Policy Advisory Council - Minority	Sonoma	Adrian Mendoza
Policy Advisory Council - Environment	Alameda	Anne Olivia Eldred
Transportation/Policy Advocate	SF/OAK/SJ/Regional	SPUR
Transportation Advocate	San Francisco/Regional	Seamless Bay Area
Transit Rider Advocate	San Francisco	SF Transit Riders
Transportation/Policy Advocate	Alameda/Regional	TransForm
Transportation/Policy Advocate	Alameda/Regional	Urban Habitat
City DOT Representative	Santa Clara	San Jose DOT
Employer/TDM	Contra Costa	Bishop Ranch
Educational Institution	TBD	SFSU or community college
Educational Institution	Sonoma	Sonoma State or a community college
Educational Institution	Santa Clara	Stanford or SJSU or a community college
Equity Advocate	Marin	Canal Alliance
Equity Advocate	Santa Clara	Working Partnerships
Youth	Santa Clara	Youth Leadership Institute
Transportation Management Assoc.	Santa Clara/San Mateo	Palo Alto TMA and/or Commute.org
Employer Organization	Regional	Bay Area Council/Silicon Valley Leadership Group
Entertainment	San Francisco	San Francisco Giants
Tourism	TBD	SF Travel/Visit Oakland/Other tourism org



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On agenda:	2/12/2020	Final action:			
Title:	Nominations for 2020-2021 Policy Advisory Council Chair and Vice Chair (10 minutes)				

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Attachments: [08 Nominations for Council Officers.pdf](#)

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Subject:

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(10 minutes)

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Presenter:

Marti Paschal, Staff Liaison

Recommended Action:

Discussion

Attachments:

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Policy Advisory Council**

February 12, 2020

Agenda Item 8

Nominations for 2020-2021 Policy Advisory Council Chair and Vice Chair

Subject: Nominations for the 2020-2021 Chair and Vice Chair of the Policy Advisory Council will be opened next week at your February 12, 2020 meeting. The nomination period will remain open until the election, which is currently scheduled for your March 11, 2020 meeting.

Background: The Chair and Vice Chair positions are two-year terms (effective upon election) ending December 2021, and potential candidates are allowed to nominate themselves.

If you would like to make a nomination, you may make it in person at next week's meeting, or you may submit it to staff following that meeting any time before the election on March 11, 2020.

Issues: None identified.

Recommendation: Information

Attachments: None



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Legislation Details (With Text)

File #: 20-0187 **Version:** 1 **Name:**
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File created: 1/14/2020 **In control:** Policy Advisory Council
On agenda: 2/12/2020 **Final action:**
Title: ABAG Resolution No. 02-2020, ABAG Resolution No. 03-2020, and MTC Resolution No. 4410: Plan Bay Area 2050: Draft Blueprint Growth Geographies (45 minutes)

Proposed Growth Geographies for integration into the Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint, including existing and new locally nominated Priority Development Areas (PDAs), Priority Production Areas (PPAs), and Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs), as well as select Transit-Rich and High-Resource Areas outside PDAs.

Sponsors:

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Attachments: [09_PBA2050-Draft Blueprint-Growth Geographies.pdf](#)
[09_Handout-FriendsofNorthSonomaStronglyOpposeSpringsSpecificPlans_February2020.pdf](#)

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Subject:

ABAG Resolution No. 02-2020, ABAG Resolution No. 03-2020, and MTC Resolution No. 4410: Plan Bay Area 2050: Draft Blueprint Growth Geographies (45 minutes)

Proposed Growth Geographies for integration into the Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint, including existing and new locally nominated Priority Development Areas (PDAs), Priority Production Areas (PPAs), and Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs), as well as select Transit-Rich and High-Resource Areas outside PDAs.

Presenter:

Mark Shorett

Recommended Action:

Information

Attachments:

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Policy Advisory Council**

February 12, 2020

Agenda Item 9

**ABAG Resolution No. 02-2020, ABAG Resolution No. 03-2020, and
MTC Resolution No. 4410: Plan Bay Area 2050: Draft Blueprint Growth Geographies**

Subject: Proposed Growth Geographies for integration into the Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint, including existing and new locally nominated Priority Development Areas (PDAs), Priority Production Areas (PPAs), and Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs), as well as select Transit-Rich and High-Resource Areas outside PDAs.

Background: Policy Advisory Council Agenda Item 9, ABAG Resolution No. 02-2020, ABAG Resolution No. 03-2020, and MTC Resolution No. 4410: Plan Bay Area 2050: Draft Blueprint Growth Geographies is attached. This report will be presented to the Joint MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Committee on February 14, 2020.

Staff will be at your February 12 meeting to discuss this report. The Council's input is requested.

Attachments: Agenda Item 5a from the February 14, 2020 Joint MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Committee meeting

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission and the Association of Bay Area Governments
Joint MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Committee**

February 14, 2020

Agenda Item 5a

**ABAG Resolution No. 02-2020, ABAG Resolution No. 03-2020, and
MTC Resolution No. 4410: Plan Bay Area 2050: Draft Blueprint Growth Geographies**

Subject: Approval of proposed Growth Geographies for integration into the Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint, including existing and new locally nominated Priority Development Areas (PDAs), Priority Production Areas (PPAs), and Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs), as well as select Transit-Rich and High-Resource Areas outside PDAs.

Background: Following Commission and Executive Board adoption of an update to the Regional Growth Framework in May 2019, MTC/ABAG staff engaged local jurisdictions to identify new priority areas, modify the boundaries of existing PDAs, and establish a timeline for adopting PDA plans. Staff also worked with County Transportation Agencies (CTAs) to identify transit improvements to bring all PDAs up to at least the minimum transit standard. Letters of Interest to nominate new or modify existing PDAs and PCAs, and to nominate PPAs, were due in September 2019, with adopted resolutions for new Priority Areas due in January 2020. Jurisdictions nominated 88 new eligible Priority Areas – 34 PDAs, 19 PCAs, and 35 PPAs. In addition, jurisdictions submitted 48 eligible requests to modify the boundaries of an existing PDA.

Together, the submitted priority areas, transit improvements, and planning commitments help to advance regional housing, climate, and equity goals, bring nearly all existing PDAs into alignment with the adopted planning and transit standards required for Plan Bay Area 2050, and build upon coordinated economic development efforts. Despite these gains, the updated set of locally-nominated priority areas may not be adequate to create a Plan Bay Area 2050 Blueprint that meets the state mandated greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction target and demonstrates the ability to meet the region’s future housing need at all income levels. Many of the places in which growth could provide the greatest regional benefit have still not been designated PDAs. For example, only 20 percent of the High-Resource Areas (HRAs) eligible for designation as PDAs have been nominated by local jurisdictions, and the share of the region’s Transit-Rich Areas (TRAs) nominated as PDAs remains below 50 percent.

To advance discussion about overcoming the obstacles that remain to achieving regional housing, climate, and equity objectives after taking into account this expanded footprint, staff prepared three potential options for the set of Growth Geographies to include in the Draft Blueprint for discussion at the October and November Committees: A) **highly focused in existing & proposed PDAs**, an approach similar to the first two iterations of Plan Bay Area; B) **focused in existing & proposed PDAs plus select HRAs and PDA-eligible TRAs** not currently designated PDAs; and C) **focused in existing & proposed PDAs, with more distributed growth** within Urban Growth Boundaries.

These options were discussed this fall with ABAG and MTC committees, as well as through a day-long Regional Advisory Working Group with a group of topic-area experts. Growth Geographies were also a key component of public feedback at recent “pop up” workshops and in the *Mayor of Bayville* online game. In general,

there was robust support for including areas outside of PDAs in the Plan Bay Area 2050 Blueprint, both with the public and with stakeholders. Staff also received useful feedback on the desire for a context-based approach to prioritizing the wide range of places within each geography, taking into account factors such as level of transit and job access, displacement risk, natural hazard risk and more. There was also significant interest in coordinating the Growth Geographies and Blueprint strategies across all four elements (Transportation, Housing, Economy, and Environment).

Additional analysis conducted by staff following this engagement process led to a refined set of proposed Draft Blueprint Growth Geographies that builds upon Option B, presented in detail in Attachment D. Designed to respond to feedback and maximize the Blueprint's potential to achieve the Plan's GHG reduction target, meet the region's future housing needs, and align with the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA), the proposed set of geographies combine existing and new locally nominated PDAs and PPAs with select Transit-Rich and High-Resource Areas outside PDAs. Taking this approach, the share of Transit-Rich areas included in the Blueprint would increase from 44 percent in Plan Bay Area 2040 to 77 percent; High-Resource Areas served by at least basic transit service would increase from 16 percent to 58 percent. Finally, the share of areas that are both Transit-Rich and High-Resource – the places in which new homes are likely to deliver the greatest regional benefit – would increase from 27 percent to nearly 80 percent.

Issues:

While the Geographies will define *where* growth is focused in the Blueprint, the Blueprint Strategies - discussed in the next agenda item - will shape *what kind* of growth takes place in these Geographies. This approach allows the Blueprint to move beyond a "one size fits all" model to one that balances local context, such as neighboring land uses, with the imperative to shape a more equitable, affordable, and environmentally sustainable Bay Area.

Recommendation:

Staff requests that the *ABAG Administrative Committee* approve ABAG Resolution No. 02-2020 adopting new PDAs, PPAs, and PCAs. Furthermore, staff requests that the *ABAG Administrative Committee* approve ABAG Resolution No. 03-2020 and that the *MTC Planning Committee* approve MTC Resolution No. 4410. These resolutions identify the Growth Geographies included in the Draft Blueprint, while recognizing that there is an opportunity for further refinement to these geographies this spring and summer prior to the Final Blueprint phase. Staff will analyze the Draft Blueprint and report back on forecasted outcomes in late spring.

Attachments:

Attachment A: ABAG Resolution No. 02-2020
Attachment B: ABAG Resolution No. 03-2020
Attachment C: MTC Resolution No. 4410
Attachment D: Presentation



Therese W. McMillan

**ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS
EXECUTIVE BOARD**

ABSTRACT

Resolution No. 02-2020

This resolution adopts new Priority Development Areas (PDAs), Priority Production Areas (PPAs), and Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs) nominated by local jurisdictions in 2020. The PDAs and PPAs adopted in this resolution will become part of the Plan Bay Area 2050 Growth Geographies adopted in Resolution No. 03-2020, adopted concurrently with this Resolution.

Further discussion of this subject is contained in the Joint MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Summary Sheet dated February 14, 2020.

**ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS
RESOLUTION NO. 02-2020**

RESOLUTION NO. 02-2020

RE: APPROVAL OF NEW PRIORITY DEVELOPMENT AREAS (PDAS), PRIORITY PRODUCTION AREAS (PPAS), AND PRIORITY CONSERVATION AREAS (PCAS)

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is the regional transportation planning agency for the San Francisco Bay Area pursuant to Government Code Section 66500 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), a joint exercise of powers entity created pursuant to California Government Code Sections 6500 et seq., is the Council of Governments and the regional land use planning agency for the San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, in 2007 ABAG established a framework (Regional Growth Framework) for future development that seeks to concentrate growth in locally-identified Priority Development Areas (PDAs) and protect locally-identified Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs) from development, and established the procedures for designation of PDAs and PCAs; and

WHEREAS, ABAG has adopted 188 PDAs and 165 PCAs in previous years, each nominated through a resolution from the governing body with land use authority over the area in which these priority areas are located.

WHEREAS, California Government Code § 65080 et seq. requires MTC to prepare and update a long-range Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), including a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) prepared in conjunction with the ABAG, every four years; and

WHEREAS, Plan Bay Area ("Plan") constitutes the Regional Transportation Plan and SCS for the San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, MTC and ABAG jointly adopted the first Plan Bay Area in 2013 (Plan Bay Area 2013) (MTC Resolution No. 4111 and ABAG Resolution No. 06-13), and the second Plan Bay Area in 2017 (Plan Bay Area 2040) (MTC Resolution No. 4300 and ABAG Resolution No. 10-17); and

WHEREAS, Plan Bay Area 2013 and Plan Bay Area 2040 were consistent with state-mandated targets for greenhouse gas reduction and housing, and included a growth pattern consistent with the Regional Growth Framework, projecting that more than 70 percent of new homes would be built in PDAs and development would not occur in PCAs; and

**ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS
RESOLUTION NO. 02-2020**

WHEREAS, potential revisions to the Regional Growth Framework that concerned PDAs, PCAs, and PPAs, were presented to ABAG Regional Planning Committee, MTC Policy Advisory Council, Regional Advisory Working Group, and ABAG Administrative Committee and MTC Planning Committee (collectively, ABAG and MTC Committees), local government staff, and other stakeholders in March and April 2019; and

WHEREAS, comments from ABAG and MTC Committees, local government staff, and stakeholders, and the findings from the 2015 PDA Assessment and 2019 Horizon Regional Growth Strategies Perspective Paper, provided the basis for specific revisions to the criteria for PDAs and PPAs; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 02-19, adopted on May 22, 2019, established an updated definition and criteria for PDAs and a definition and criteria for PPAs through a pilot program; and

WHEREAS, ABAG/MTC staff solicited applications from local jurisdictions for the areas that meet PDA and PPA eligibility criteria consistent with Resolution 02-19; and

WHEREAS, local jurisdictions nominated 34 eligible PDAs, 35 eligible PPAs, and 19 eligible PCAs, supported by a resolution from the governing body with land use authority over the area in which these areas are located; and

RESOLVED, that ABAG, hereby certifies that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated by this reference; and be it further

RESOLVED, that ABAG, as a decision making body, hereby adopts the new Priority Development Areas, Priority Production Areas, and Priority Conservation Areas in Attachment A, and authorizes staff to include these areas as priorities for future housing and job growth in the Plan Bay Area 2050 Blueprint.

The foregoing was adopted by the Executive Board this 20th day of February, 2020.

Jesse Arreguín, Chair
President

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Certification of Executive Board Approval

I, the undersigned, the appointed and qualified Clerk of the Board of the Association of Bay Area Governments (Association), do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the Association at a duly called meeting held on the 20th day of February, 2020.

Frederick Castro
Clerk of the Board

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Attachment A: New Priority Areas for Adoption

Table 1: New Priority Development Areas (PDAs)

County	Jurisdiction	Priority Development Area Name
Alameda	Berkeley	North Berkeley BART
Alameda	Livermore	McGrath Southfront PDA
Alameda	Fremont	North Fremont Blvd Connected Community PDA
Alameda	Fremont	Osgood Rd Connected Community PDA
Alameda	Fremont	Warm Springs Blvd Connected Community PDA
Contra Costa	Brentwood	Brentwood Blvd
Contra Costa	Brentwood	Downtown Brentwood
Contra Costa	Brentwood	Brentwood Transit Village
Contra Costa	Richmond	Hilltop
San Francisco	San Francisco	Sunset Corridors
San Francisco	San Francisco	Richmond District
San Francisco	San Francisco	Lombard Street
San Francisco	San Francisco	West Portal/Forest Hill Station Area
San Mateo	Pacifica	Sharp Park Specific Plan
San Mateo	Pacifica	Skyline Corridor
Santa Clara	Santa Clara	Freedom Circle
Santa Clara	Santa Clara	Lawrence Station Phase II
Santa Clara	Santa Clara	Patrick Henry Drive
Santa Clara	Santa Clara	Related Santa Clara/City Place
Santa Clara	Santa Clara	Tasman East
Santa Clara	San Jose	South DeAnza
Santa Clara	Sunnyvale	Moffett Park Specific Plan
Santa Clara	Palo Alto	Downtown/University
Santa Clara	Milpitas	Midtown Specific Plan
Solano	Vallejo	Carquinez Heights
Solano	Vallejo	Mare Island
Solano	Vallejo	Solano 360/I-80/SR-37 Gateway
Solano	Vallejo	Central Corridor West
Solano	Vallejo	Central Corridor East
Sonoma	Sonoma County	Sonoma County Airport
Sonoma	Sonoma County	Springs
Sonoma	Sonoma County	Santa Rosa Avenue
Sonoma	Petaluma	Corona Road SMART Station
Sonoma	Cotati	Gravenstein Corridor

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Table 2: Pilot Priority Production Areas (PPAs)

County	Jurisdiction	Priority Production Area Name
Alameda	Fremont	Bayside Industrial Priority Production Area
Alameda	Fremont	Pacific Commons Priority Production Area
Alameda	Hayward	Hayward PPA
Alameda	Livermore	Eastside PPA
Alameda	Livermore	Westside PPA
Alameda	Oakland	Port PPA
Alameda	Oakland	Airport PPA
Alameda	San Leandro	San Leandro PPA
Alameda	Union City	Union City PPA
Contra Costa	Antioch	Northern Waterfront Industrial Corridor
Contra Costa	Concord	Northern Concord PPA
Contra Costa	Concord	Western Concord PPA
Contra Costa	Oakley	Employment Area
Contra Costa	Pittsburg	Northern Waterfront
Contra Costa	Unincorporated Contra Costa	Pacheco Manufacturing Zone
Contra Costa	Unincorporated Contra Costa	Baypoint Industrial Sector
Napa	American Canyon	American Canyon PPA
San Francisco	San Francisco	Bayshore/Central Waterfront/Islais Creek
San Mateo	Pacifica	Northern Palmetto PPA
Santa Clara	Milpitas	Central Manufacturing Area
Santa Clara	Milpitas	McCarthy Ranch Industrial Area
Santa Clara	Milpitas	Southwestern Employment Area
Santa Clara	Morgan Hill	Morgan Hill PPA
Santa Clara	San Jose	Monterey Business Corridor
Solano	Benicia	Benicia Industrial PPA
Solano	Dixon	Northeast Quadrant
Solano	Fairfield	Train Station Employment Center
Solano	Fairfield	Fairfield PPA
Solano	Rio Vista	Rio Vista PPA
Solano	Suisun City	Suisun City Gentry (westside)
Solano	Suisun City	Suisun City East Side PPA
Solano	Vacaville	Vacaville Industrial Priority Production Area
Solano	Vallejo	Vallejo PPA Mare Island
Solano	Vallejo	Vallejo PPA South Vallejo
Sonoma	Cotati	Cotati PPA

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Table 3: New Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs)

County	Jurisdiction	Priority Conservation Area Name
Alameda	Livermore	Arroyo Las Positas Trail
Alameda	Livermore	First Street
Contra Costa	Pittsburg	Northwest Waterfront
Marin	Tiburon	Tiburon Open Space
Marin	San Anselmo	Bald Hill
Santa Clara	Palo Alto	Palo Alto Baylands
San Francisco	San Francisco	Excelsior/OMI Park Connections
San Francisco	San Francisco	Crosstown Trail
San Francisco	San Francisco	India Basin
San Francisco	San Francisco	Lake Merced/Ocean Beach
San Francisco	San Francisco	Central Waterfront
San Francisco	San Francisco	Northern Waterfront
San Francisco	San Francisco	Treasure Island/Yerba Buena Island
Solano	Unincorporated Solano County	Dixon Agricultural Service Area
Solano	Unincorporated Solano County	Cache Slough
Sonoma	Santa Rosa	Southeast Greenway
Solano	Vallejo	Mare Island Open Space
Solano	Vallejo	Napa Sonoma Marshes Wildlife Area
Solano	Vallejo	White Slough Wetlands Area

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Attachment B: New Priority Area Maps



Priority Development Areas

- New PDA
- Existing PDA
- Other Urbanized Area
- Regional Rail Station
- Regional Rail Transit (Existing)
- Regional Rail Transit (Under Construction)

Priority Development Areas (PDAs) are defined as: a) locally nominated through a City Council or Board of Supervisors resolution; b) within an urbanized area; c) planned, or will be planned, for significant housing and job growth; and d) having at least 50% of its land within ½ mile of a rail station or ferry terminal, or a bus stop served by at least one route with peak weekday headways of 30 minutes or less. (Peak headways are defined as 7-11 AM and 3-7 PM).

PDAs identified as “new” will be included in Plan Bay Area 2050 pending ABAG Executive Board approval.

	Population
Oakland	Over 350,000
Sunnyvale	50,000 to 350,000
Albany	Below 50,000

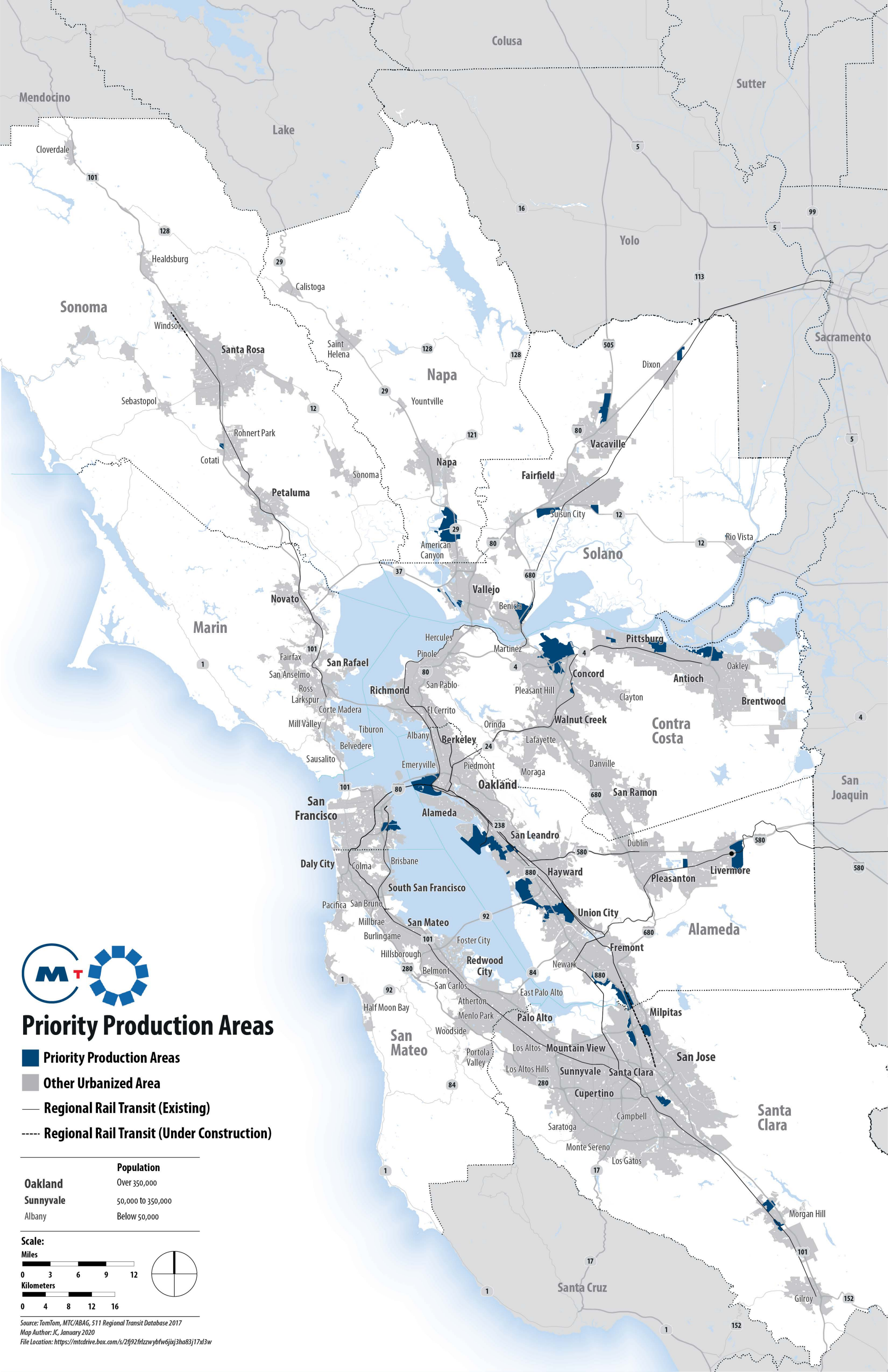
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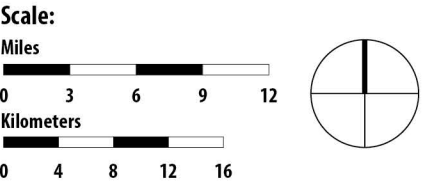
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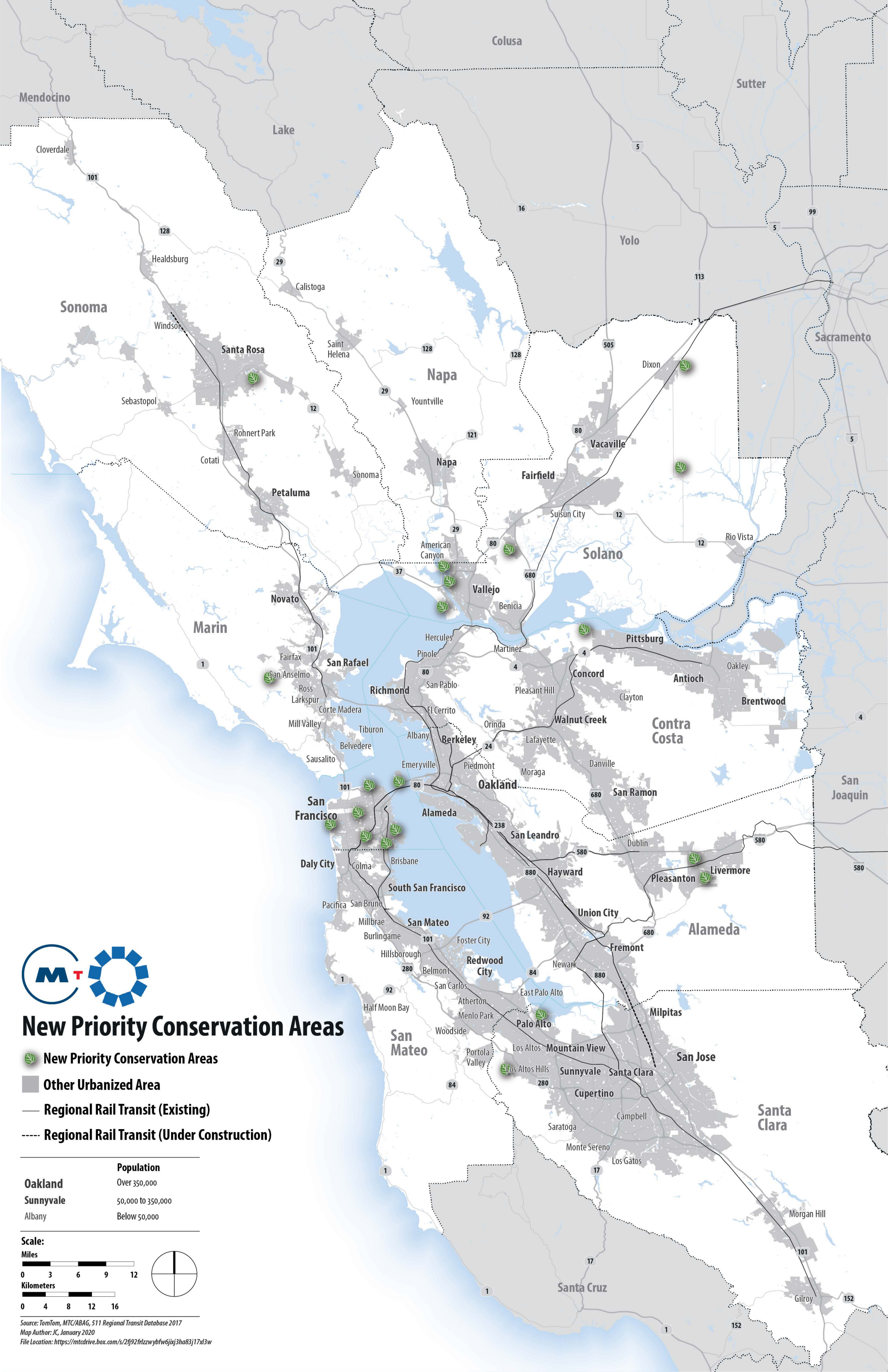
Priority Production Areas

- Priority Production Areas
- Other Urbanized Area
- Regional Rail Transit (Existing)
- - - Regional Rail Transit (Under Construction)

	Population
Oakland	Over 350,000
Sunnyvale	50,000 to 350,000
Albany	Below 50,000



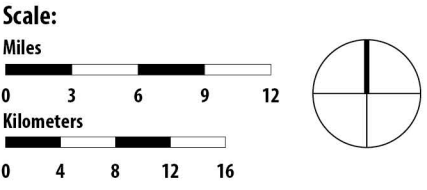
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New Priority Conservation Areas

- New Priority Conservation Areas
- Other Urbanized Area
- Regional Rail Transit (Existing)
- Regional Rail Transit (Under Construction)

	Population
Oakland	Over 350,000
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ABSTRACT

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This resolution establishes the geographic areas (Growth Geographies) included in the Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint as priority areas for future housing and job growth.

Further discussion of this subject is contained in the Administrative Committee Summary Sheet dated February 14, 2020.

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RE: APPROVAL OF THE PLAN BAY AREA 2050 DRAFT BLUEPRINT GROWTH
GEOGRAPHIES

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is the regional transportation planning agency for the San Francisco Bay Area pursuant to Government Code Section 66500 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), a joint exercise of powers entity created pursuant to California Government Code Sections 6500 et seq., is the Council of Governments and the regional land use planning agency for the San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, in 2007 ABAG established a framework (Regional Growth Framework) for future development that seeks to concentrate growth in locally-identified Priority Development Areas (PDAs) and protect locally-identified Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs) from development, and established the procedures for designation of PDAs and PCAs; and

WHEREAS, ABAG has adopted 188 PDAs and 165 PCAs nominated by local governments in previous years; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code § 65080 et seq. requires MTC to prepare and update a long-range Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), including a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) prepared in conjunction with the ABAG, every four years; and

WHEREAS, Plan Bay Area ("Plan") constitutes the Regional Transportation Plan and SCS for the San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, MTC and ABAG jointly adopted the first Plan Bay Area in 2013 (Plan Bay Area 2013) (MTC Resolution No. 4111 and ABAG Resolution No. 06-13), and the second Plan Bay Area in 2017 (Plan Bay Area 2040) (MTC Resolution No. 4300 and ABAG Resolution No. 10-17); and

WHEREAS, Plan Bay Area 2013 and Plan Bay Area 2040 were consistent with state-mandated targets for greenhouse gas reduction and housing, and included a growth pattern consistent with the Regional Growth Framework, projecting that more than 70 percent of new homes would be built in PDAs and development would not occur in PCAs; and

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WHEREAS, potential revisions to the Regional Growth Framework that concerned PDAs, PCAs, and PPAs, were presented to ABAG Regional Planning Committee, MTC Policy Advisory Council, Regional Advisory Working Group, and ABAG Administrative Committee and MTC Planning Committee (collectively, ABAG and MTC Committees), local government staff, and other stakeholders in March and April 2019; and

WHEREAS, comments from ABAG and MTC Committees, local government staff, and stakeholders, and the findings from the 2015 PDA Assessment and 2019 Horizon Regional Growth Strategies Perspective Paper, provided the basis for specific revisions to the criteria for PDAs and PPAs; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 02-19, adopted on May 16, 2019, established an updated definition and criteria for PDAs and a definition and criteria for PPAs through a pilot program; and

WHEREAS, ABAG/MTC staff solicited applications from local jurisdictions for the areas that meet PDA and PPA eligibility criteria consistent with Resolution 02-19, and received 34 submissions for eligible PDAs and 35 PPAs, respectively, supported by adopted City Council or Board of Supervisor resolutions; and

WHEREAS, these eligible areas, included in Attachment A, were adopted by the ABAG Executive Board through ABAG Resolution 02-2020 on February 20, 2020; and

WHEREAS, these areas advanced regional climate, equity, and economic development objectives, but left the majority of areas eligible for PDA nomination undesignated, including areas with the greatest transit access and access to upward mobility; and

WHEREAS, including only locally-nominated PDAs as Growth Geographies in the Plan Bay Area 2050 Blueprint could make it challenging for the region to meet its state-mandated GHG reduction target and to support the Guiding Principles of Plan Bay Area 2050; and

WHEREAS, feedback from members of the public, MTC and ABAG committees, and from topic-area experts provided the basis for a set of proposed Growth Geographies – identified in Attachment A – that balance local priorities with shared regional responsibility and the need to achieve the region's greenhouse gas target, as well as its housing, equity, environment, and other goals; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that ABAG hereby certifies that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated by this reference; and be it further

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RESOLVED, that ABAG, as a decision-making body, hereby adopts the criteria for Plan Bay Area 2050 Growth Geographies in Attachment A, and authorizes staff to include areas consistent with these criteria as priorities for future housing and job growth in the Plan Bay Area 2050 Blueprint.

The foregoing was adopted by the Executive Board this 20th day of February, 2020.

Jesse Arreguín, Chair
President

Certification of Executive Board Approval

I, the undersigned, the appointed and qualified Clerk of the Board of the Association of Bay Area Governments (Association), do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the Association at a duly called meeting held on the 20th day of February, 2020.

Frederick Castro
Clerk of the Board

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Plan Bay Area 2050 Blueprint Growth Geographies

The following areas shall be prioritized as Growth Geographies for new housing and jobs in the Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint, with specific density and land use assumptions based upon Draft Blueprint Housing Strategies.

In all local jurisdictions:

- Priority Development Areas nominated by local jurisdictions and adopted by the ABAG Executive Board
- Priority Production Areas nominated by local jurisdictions and adopted by the ABAG Executive Board
- Transit-Rich Areas within ½ mile of a regional rail station with headways of 15 minutes or better during the AM (6 AM to 10 AM) and PM (3 PM to 7 PM) peak periods, including Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) and CalTrain Baby Bullet station areas.
Note: Priority Conservation Areas will be included in the Plan, but are not Growth Geographies.

In local jurisdictions that have nominated less than 50 percent of the PDA eligible areas as PDAs:

- All remaining Transit-Rich Areas not explicitly identified above (including both High-Resource Areas and places outside High-Resource Areas)
- High-Resource Areas within ¼ mile of a bus stop with 16- to 30-minute peak period headways




Exclusions:

The following areas are excluded from PDA eligibility, and not used in calculating the share of a jurisdiction's PDA-eligible land locally nominated:

- Wildland urban interface areas
- Areas of unmitigated sea level rise (*i.e., areas at risk from sea level rise through year 2050 that lack mitigation strategies in Plan Bay Area 2050 Environment Element*)
- Areas outside locally-adopted urban growth boundaries
- Parkland and other open spaces within urbanized areas identified in the California Protected Areas Database

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**Table 1: Proposed Plan Bay Area 2050 Geographies:
Priority Development Areas (PDAs)**

GUIDE		Existing PDA, boundaries not modified		* New PDA (Pending Executive Board Adoption)
		* Existing PDA, boundaries modified		

County	Jurisdiction	Priority Development Area
Alameda	Alameda	Naval Air Station
Alameda	Alameda	Northern Waterfront
Alameda	Albany	San Pablo & Solano Mixed Use Neighborhood
Alameda	Berkeley	Adeline Street
Alameda	Berkeley	Downtown
Alameda	Berkeley	North Berkeley BART**
Alameda	Berkeley	San Pablo Avenue
Alameda	Berkeley	South Shattuck
Alameda	Berkeley	Southside/Telegraph Avenue
Alameda	Berkeley	University Avenue
Alameda	Dublin	Downtown Specific Plan Area
Alameda	Dublin	Town Center
Alameda	Dublin	Transit Center/Dublin Crossings
Alameda	Emeryville	Mixed-Use Core
Alameda	Fremont	Centerville Transit PDA*
Alameda	Fremont	Downtown/City Center Transit PDA*
Alameda	Fremont	Irvington Transit PDA*
Alameda	Fremont	North Fremont Blvd Connected Community PDA**
Alameda	Fremont	Osgood Rd Connected Community PDA**
Alameda	Fremont	Warm Springs Connected Community PDA**
Alameda	Fremont	Warm Springs Innovation District Transit PDA*
Alameda	Hayward	Downtown
Alameda	Hayward	Mission Boulevard Corridor
Alameda	Hayward	South Hayward BART
Alameda	Hayward	The Cannery
Alameda	Livermore	Downtown
Alameda	Livermore	Isabel Avenue/BART Station Planning Area
Alameda	Livermore	McGrath Southfront PDA**
Alameda	Newark	Dumbarton Transit Oriented Development
Alameda	Newark	Old Town Mixed Use Area
Alameda	Oakland	Coliseum Bay Area Rapid Transit Station Area*
Alameda	Oakland	Downtown & Jack London Square*
Alameda	Oakland	Eastmont Town Center / International Blvd TOD*
Alameda	Oakland	Fruitvale and Dimond Areas*

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County	Jurisdiction	Priority Development Area
Alameda	Oakland	MacArthur Blvd Corridor*
Alameda	Oakland	MacArthur Transit Village*
Alameda	Oakland	North Oakland / Golden Gate*
Alameda	Oakland	San Antonio*
Alameda	Oakland	West Oakland*
Alameda	Pleasanton	Hacienda
Alameda	San Leandro	BayFair TOD*
Alameda	San Leandro	Downtown Transit Oriented Development
Alameda	San Leandro	East 14th Street
Alameda	Unincorporated Alameda	Castro Valley BART
Alameda	Unincorporated Alameda	East 14th Street and Mission Boulevard
Alameda	Unincorporated Alameda	Hesperian Boulevard
Alameda	Unincorporated Alameda	Meekland Avenue Corridor
Alameda	Union City	Greater Station District Area*
Contra Costa	Antioch	Hillcrest eBART Station
Contra Costa	Antioch	Rivertown Waterfront
Contra Costa	Brentwood	Brentwood Blvd**
Contra Costa	Brentwood	Brentwood Transit Village**
Contra Costa	Brentwood	Downtown Brentwood**
Contra Costa	Concord	Concord Naval Weapons Station
Contra Costa	Concord	Downtown
Contra Costa	Danville	Downtown
Contra Costa	El Cerrito	San Pablo Avenue Corridor
Contra Costa	Hercules	Central Hercules
Contra Costa	Hercules	Waterfront District
Contra Costa	Hercules	San Pablo Avenue Corridor
Contra Costa	Lafayette	Downtown
Contra Costa	Martinez	Downtown
Contra Costa	Moraga	Moraga Center
Contra Costa	Oakley	Downtown
Contra Costa	Oakley	Potential Planning Area
Contra Costa	Orinda	Downtown
Contra Costa	Pinole	Appian Way Corridor
Contra Costa	Pinole	Old Town San Pablo Avenue
Contra Costa	Pittsburg	Downtown
Contra Costa	Pittsburg	Railroad Avenue eBART Station
Contra Costa	Pleasant Hill	Buskirk Avenue Corridor

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County	Jurisdiction	Priority Development Area
Contra Costa	Pleasant Hill	Diablo Valley College
Contra Costa	Richmond	North Richmond*
Contra Costa	Richmond	Central Richmond & 23rd Street Corridor*
Contra Costa	Richmond	Hilltop**
Contra Costa	Richmond	San Pablo Ave Corridor*
Contra Costa	Richmond	South Richmond*
Contra Costa	San Pablo	Rumrill Boulevard
Contra Costa	San Pablo	San Pablo Avenue & 23rd Street Corridors
Contra Costa	San Ramon	City Center
Contra Costa	San Ramon	North Camino Ramon
Contra Costa	Unincorporated Contra Costa	Contra Costa Centre
Contra Costa	Unincorporated Contra Costa	Downtown El Sobrante PDA*
Contra Costa	Unincorporated Contra Costa	Pittsburg Bay Point Connected Community PDA*
Contra Costa	Unincorporated Contra Costa	Pittsburg Bay Point Transit Rich PDA*
Contra Costa	Unincorporated Contra Costa	Pittsburg/Bay Point BART Station
Contra Costa	Unincorporated Contra Costa	San Pablo Avenue
Contra Costa	Walnut Creek	Core Area
Marin	San Rafael	Downtown
Marin	Unincorporated Marin	Urbanized Corridor*
Napa	American Canyon	Highway 29 Corridor
Napa	Napa	Downtown Napa and Soscol Gateway Corridor
San Francisco	San Francisco	19th Avenue*
San Francisco	San Francisco	Balboa Park and Southwest Corridors*
San Francisco	San Francisco	Bayview/Southeast Neighborhoods*
San Francisco	San Francisco	Central City Neighborhoods*
San Francisco	San Francisco	Downtown/Van Ness/Northeast Neighborhoods*
San Francisco	San Francisco	Eastern Neighborhoods*
San Francisco	San Francisco	J Church and Mission Corridor*
San Francisco	San Francisco	Lombard Street**
San Francisco	San Francisco	Market Octavia*
San Francisco	San Francisco	Mission Bay*
San Francisco	San Francisco	Richmond District**
San Francisco	San Francisco	Sunset Corridors**
San Francisco	San Francisco	Transbay/Rincon Hill*

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County	Jurisdiction	Priority Development Area
San Francisco	San Francisco	Treasure Island & Yerba Buena Island
San Francisco	San Francisco	West Portal/Forest Hill Station Area**
San Mateo	Belmont	Villages of Belmont
San Mateo	Brisbane	Brisbane*
San Mateo	Burlingame	Burlingame El Camino Real
San Mateo	Burlingame	Downtown*
San Mateo	Colma	El Camino Real*
San Mateo	Daly City	Bayshore
San Mateo	Daly City	Mission Boulevard
San Mateo	East Palo Alto	Ravenswood
Santa Clara	Menlo Park	El Camino Real Corridor and Downtown
San Mateo	Millbrae	Transit Station Area
San Mateo	Pacifica	Sharp Park Specific Plan**
San Mateo	Pacifica	Skyline Corridor**
San Mateo	Redwood City	Broadway/Veterans Boulevard Corridor
San Mateo	Redwood City	Downtown
San Mateo	Redwood City	El Camino Real Corridor
San Mateo	San Bruno	Transit Corridors
San Mateo	San Carlos	Railroad Corridor*
San Mateo	San Mateo	Downtown
San Mateo	San Mateo	El Camino Real
San Mateo	San Mateo	Grand Boulevard Initiative
San Mateo	San Mateo	Rail Corridor
San Mateo	South San Francisco	Downtown
San Mateo	South San Francisco	El Camino Real
San Mateo	Unincorporated San Mateo	El Camino Real (North Fair Oaks)
San Mateo	Unincorporated San Mateo	El Camino Real (Unincorporated Colma)
Santa Clara	Campbell	Central Redevelopment Area
Santa Clara	Cupertino	Cores & Corridors
Santa Clara	Gilroy	Downtown Gilroy*
Santa Clara	Milpitas	Midtown**
Santa Clara	Milpitas	Transit Area Specific Plan*
Santa Clara	Morgan Hill	Downtown Morgan Hill*
Santa Clara	Mountain View	Downtown*
Santa Clara	Mountain View	El Camino Real
Santa Clara	Mountain View	North Bayshore
Santa Clara	Mountain View	San Antonio

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County	Jurisdiction	Priority Development Area
Santa Clara	Mountain View	Whisman*
Santa Clara	Palo Alto	California Avenue
Santa Clara	Palo Alto	Downtown Palo Alto**
Santa Clara	San Jose	Bascom TOD Corridor
Santa Clara	San Jose	Bascom Urban Village
Santa Clara	San Jose	Berryessa Station
Santa Clara	San Jose	Blossom Hill/Snell Urban Village
Santa Clara	San Jose	Camden Urban Village
Santa Clara	San Jose	Capitol Corridor Urban Villages
Santa Clara	San Jose	Capitol/Tully/King Urban Villages
Santa Clara	San Jose	Communications Hill
Santa Clara	San Jose	Cottle Transit Village (Hitachi)
Santa Clara	San Jose	Downtown "Frame"
Santa Clara	San Jose	East Santa Clara/Alum Rock Corridor
Santa Clara	San Jose	Greater Downtown
Santa Clara	San Jose	North San Jose
Santa Clara	San Jose	Oakridge/Almaden Plaza Urban Village
Santa Clara	San Jose	Cores & Corridors
Santa Clara	San Jose	Saratoga TOD Corridor
Santa Clara	San Jose	South DeAnza**
Santa Clara	San Jose	Stevens Creek TOD Corridor
Santa Clara	San Jose	West San Carlos and Southwest Expressway Corridors
Santa Clara	San Jose	Westgate/El Paseo Urban Village
Santa Clara	San Jose	Winchester Boulevard TOD Corridor
Santa Clara	Santa Clara	City Place**
Santa Clara	Santa Clara	El Camino Real Focus Area
Santa Clara	Santa Clara	Freedom Circle**
Santa Clara	Santa Clara	Lawrence Station Phase II**
Santa Clara	Santa Clara	Patrick Henry Drive**
Santa Clara	Santa Clara	Santa Clara Station Focus Area
Santa Clara	Santa Clara	Tasman East**
Santa Clara	Sunnyvale	Downtown & Caltrain Station
Santa Clara	Sunnyvale	East Sunnyvale
Santa Clara	Sunnyvale	El Camino Real Corridor
Santa Clara	Sunnyvale	Lawrence Station Transit Village
Santa Clara	Sunnyvale	Moffett Park Specific Plan**
Santa Clara	Sunnyvale	Tasman Crossing
Solano	Benicia	Downtown
Solano	Fairfield	Fairfield-Vacaville Train Station*
Solano	Fairfield	Heart of Fairfield*
Solano	Fairfield	North Texas Street Core

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County	Jurisdiction	Priority Development Area
Solano	Suisun City	Downtown & Waterfront
Solano	Vacaville	Allison Area*
Solano	Vacaville	Allison Policy Plan Area- Proposed PDA Expansion*
Solano	Vacaville	Downtown
Solano	Vallejo	Solano 360/ I-80/ I-37 Gateway**
Solano	Vallejo	Central Corridor East**
Solano	Vallejo	Central Corridor West**
Solano	Vallejo	Carquinez Heights**
Solano	Vallejo	Mare Island PDA**
Solano	Vallejo	Sonoma Boulevard
Solano	Vallejo	Waterfront & Downtown
Sonoma	Cloverdale	Downtown/SMART Transit Area
Sonoma	Cotati	Downtown and Cotati Depot
Sonoma	Cotati	Gravenstein Corridor**
Sonoma	Petaluma	Corona**
Sonoma	Petaluma	Lakeville*
Sonoma	Rohnert Park	Central Rohnert Park
Sonoma	Rohnert Park	Sonoma Mountain Village
Sonoma	Santa Rosa	Downtown Station Area*
Sonoma	Santa Rosa	Mendocino Avenue/Santa Rosa Avenue Corridor
Sonoma	Santa Rosa	North Santa Rosa Station
Sonoma	Santa Rosa	Roseland
Sonoma	Santa Rosa	Sebastopol Road Corridor
Sonoma	Sebastopol	Core Area
Sonoma	Unincorporated Sonoma	Sonoma Airport**
Sonoma	Unincorporated Sonoma	Santa Rosa Avenue Priority Development Area**
Sonoma	Unincorporated Sonoma	Sonoma County: Sonoma Valley, The Springs**
Sonoma	Windsor	Station Area/Downtown Specific Plan Area

Notes: 1) PBA 2040 PDAs no longer designated include: Dixon Downtown, Gilroy VTA Cores, Corridors, and Station Areas and Los Altos VTA Cores, Corridors, and Station Areas; 2) In some cases, modified PDAs include renamed or combined PDAs included in PBA 2040

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**Table 2: Proposed Plan Bay Area 2050 Geographies:
Priority Production Areas (PPAs)**

County	Jurisdiction	PPA Name
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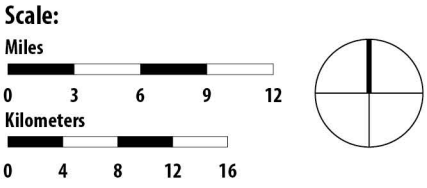
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Date: February 26, 2020
W.I.: 1121
Referred by: Planning

ABSTRACT

Resolution No. 4410

This resolution establishes the geographic areas (Growth Geographies) included in the Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint as priority areas for future housing and job growth.

Further discussion of this subject is contained in the Planning Committee Summary Sheet dated February 14, 2020.

Date: February 26, 2020
W.I.: 1121
Referred by: Planning

Re: Approval of the Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint Growth Geographies

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
RESOLUTION NO. 4410

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is the regional transportation planning agency for the San Francisco Bay Area pursuant to Government Code Section 66500 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), a joint exercise of powers entity created pursuant to California Government Code Sections 6500 et seq., is the Council of Governments and the regional land use planning agency for the San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, in 2007 ABAG established a framework (Regional Growth Framework) for future development that seeks to concentrate growth in locally-identified Priority Development Areas (PDAs) and protect locally-identified Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs) from development, and established the procedures for designation of PDAs and PCAs; and

WHEREAS, ABAG has adopted 188 PDAs and 165 PCAs nominated by local governments in previous years; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code § 65080 et seq. requires MTC to prepare and update a long-range Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), including a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) prepared in conjunction with the ABAG, every four years; and

WHEREAS, Plan Bay Area (“Plan”) constitutes the Regional Transportation Plan and SCS for the San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, MTC and ABAG jointly adopted the first Plan Bay Area in 2013 (Plan Bay Area 2013) (MTC Resolution No. 4111 and ABAG Resolution No. 06-13), and the second Plan Bay Area in 2017 (Plan Bay Area 2040) (MTC Resolution No. 4300 and ABAG Resolution No. 10-17); and

WHEREAS, Plan Bay Area 2013 and Plan Bay Area 2040 were consistent with state-mandated targets for greenhouse gas reduction and housing, and included a growth pattern consistent with the Regional Growth Framework, projecting that more than 70 percent of new homes would be built in PDAs and development would not occur in PCAs; and

WHEREAS, potential revisions to the Regional Growth Framework that concerned PDAs, PCAs, and PPAs, were presented to ABAG Regional Planning Committee, MTC Policy Advisory Council, Regional Advisory Working Group, and ABAG Administrative Committee and MTC Planning Committee (collectively, ABAG and MTC Committees), local government staff, and other stakeholders in March and April 2019; and

WHEREAS, comments from ABAG and MTC Committees, local government staff, and stakeholders, and the findings from the 2015 PDA Assessment and 2019 Horizon Regional Growth Strategies Perspective Paper, provided the basis for specific revisions to the criteria for PDAs and PPAs; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 4386, adopted on May 22, 2019, established an updated definition and criteria for PDAs and a definition and criteria for PPAs through a pilot program; and

WHEREAS, ABAG/MTC staff solicited applications from local jurisdictions for the areas that meet PDA and PPA eligibility criteria consistent with MTC Resolution 4386, and received 34 submissions for eligible PDAs and 35 PPAs, respectively, supported by adopted City Council or Board of Supervisor resolutions; and

WHEREAS, these eligible areas, included in Attachment A, were adopted by the ABAG Executive Board through ABAG Resolution 02-2020 on February 20, 2020; and

WHEREAS, these areas advanced regional climate, equity, and economic development objectives, but left the majority of areas eligible for PDA nomination undesignated, including areas with the greatest transit access and access to upward mobility; and

WHEREAS, including only locally-nominated PDAs as Growth Geographies in the Plan Bay Area 2050 Blueprint could make it challenging for the region to meet its state-mandated GHG reduction target and to support the Guiding Principles of Plan Bay Area 2050; and

WHEREAS, feedback from members of the public, MTC and ABAG committees, and from topic-area experts provided the basis for a set of proposed Growth Geographies – identified in Attachment A – that balance local priorities with shared regional responsibility and the need to achieve the region’s greenhouse gas target, as well as its housing, equity, environment, and other goals; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that MTC hereby certifies that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated by this reference; and be it further

RESOLVED, that MTC, as a decision-making body, hereby adopts the criteria for Plan Bay Area 2050 Growth Geographies in Attachment A, and authorizes staff to include areas consistent with these criteria as priorities for future housing and job growth in the Plan Bay Area 2050 Blueprint.

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Scott Haggerty, Chair

This resolution was entered into by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission at a regular meeting of the Commission held in San Francisco, California on February 26, 2020.

Date: February 26, 2020
W.I.: 1121
Referred by: Planning Committee

Attachment A
Resolution No. 4410
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Plan Bay Area 2050 Blueprint Growth Geographies

The following areas shall be prioritized as Growth Geographies for new housing and jobs in the Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint, with specific density and land use assumptions based upon Draft Blueprint Housing Strategies.

In all local jurisdictions:

- Priority Development Areas nominated by local jurisdictions and adopted by the ABAG Executive Board
- Priority Production Areas nominated by local jurisdictions and adopted by the ABAG Executive Board
- Transit-Rich Areas within ½ mile of a regional rail station with headways of 15 minutes or better during the AM (6 AM to 10 AM) and PM (3 PM to 7 PM) peak periods, including Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) and CalTrain Baby Bullet station areas.
Note: Priority Conservation Areas will be included in the Plan, but are not Growth Geographies.

In local jurisdictions that have nominated less than 50 percent of the PDA eligible areas as PDAs:




- All remaining Transit-Rich Areas not explicitly identified above (including both High-Resource Areas and places outside High-Resource Areas)
- High-Resource Areas within ¼ mile of a bus stop with 16- to 30-minute peak period headways

Exclusions:

The following areas are excluded from PDA eligibility, and not used in calculating the share of a jurisdiction's PDA-eligible land locally nominated:

- Wildland urban interface areas
- Areas of unmitigated sea level rise (*i.e., areas at risk from sea level rise through year 2050 that lack mitigation strategies in Plan Bay Area 2050 Environment Element*)
- Areas outside locally-adopted urban growth boundaries
- Parkland and other open spaces within urbanized areas identified in the California Protected Areas Database

**Table 1: Proposed Plan Bay Area 2050 Geographies:
Priority Development Areas (PDAs)**

GUIDE		Existing PDA, boundaries not modified		* New PDA (Pending Executive Board Adoption)
		* Existing PDA, boundaries modified		

County	Jurisdiction	Priority Development Area
Alameda	Alameda	Naval Air Station
Alameda	Alameda	Northern Waterfront
Alameda	Albany	San Pablo & Solano Mixed Use Neighborhood
Alameda	Berkeley	Adeline Street
Alameda	Berkeley	Downtown
Alameda	Berkeley	North Berkeley BART**
Alameda	Berkeley	San Pablo Avenue
Alameda	Berkeley	South Shattuck
Alameda	Berkeley	Southside/Telegraph Avenue
Alameda	Berkeley	University Avenue
Alameda	Dublin	Downtown Specific Plan Area
Alameda	Dublin	Town Center
Alameda	Dublin	Transit Center/Dublin Crossings
Alameda	Emeryville	Mixed-Use Core
Alameda	Fremont	Centerville Transit PDA*
Alameda	Fremont	Downtown/City Center Transit PDA*
Alameda	Fremont	Irvington Transit PDA*
Alameda	Fremont	North Fremont Blvd Connected Community PDA**
Alameda	Fremont	Osgood Rd Connected Community PDA**
Alameda	Fremont	Warm Springs Connected Community PDA**
Alameda	Fremont	Warm Springs Innovation District Transit PDA*
Alameda	Hayward	Downtown
Alameda	Hayward	Mission Boulevard Corridor
Alameda	Hayward	South Hayward BART
Alameda	Hayward	The Cannery
Alameda	Livermore	Downtown
Alameda	Livermore	Isabel Avenue/BART Station Planning Area
Alameda	Livermore	McGrath Southfront PDA**
Alameda	Newark	Dumbarton Transit Oriented Development
Alameda	Newark	Old Town Mixed Use Area
Alameda	Oakland	Coliseum Bay Area Rapid Transit Station Area*
Alameda	Oakland	Downtown & Jack London Square*
Alameda	Oakland	Eastmont Town Center / International Blvd TOD*
Alameda	Oakland	Fruitvale and Dimond Areas*

County	Jurisdiction	Priority Development Area
Alameda	Oakland	MacArthur Blvd Corridor*
Alameda	Oakland	MacArthur Transit Village*
Alameda	Oakland	North Oakland / Golden Gate*
Alameda	Oakland	San Antonio*
Alameda	Oakland	West Oakland*
Alameda	Pleasanton	Hacienda
Alameda	San Leandro	BayFair TOD*
Alameda	San Leandro	Downtown Transit Oriented Development
Alameda	San Leandro	East 14th Street
Alameda	Unincorporated Alameda	Castro Valley BART
Alameda	Unincorporated Alameda	East 14th Street and Mission Boulevard
Alameda	Unincorporated Alameda	Hesperian Boulevard
Alameda	Unincorporated Alameda	Meekland Avenue Corridor
Alameda	Union City	Greater Station District Area*
Contra Costa	Antioch	Hillcrest eBART Station
Contra Costa	Antioch	Rivertown Waterfront
Contra Costa	Brentwood	Brentwood Blvd**
Contra Costa	Brentwood	Brentwood Transit Village**
Contra Costa	Brentwood	Downtown Brentwood**
Contra Costa	Concord	Concord Naval Weapons Station
Contra Costa	Concord	Downtown
Contra Costa	Danville	Downtown
Contra Costa	El Cerrito	San Pablo Avenue Corridor
Contra Costa	Hercules	Central Hercules
Contra Costa	Hercules	Waterfront District
Contra Costa	Hercules	San Pablo Avenue Corridor
Contra Costa	Lafayette	Downtown
Contra Costa	Martinez	Downtown
Contra Costa	Moraga	Moraga Center
Contra Costa	Oakley	Downtown
Contra Costa	Oakley	Potential Planning Area
Contra Costa	Orinda	Downtown
Contra Costa	Pinole	Appian Way Corridor
Contra Costa	Pinole	Old Town San Pablo Avenue
Contra Costa	Pittsburg	Downtown
Contra Costa	Pittsburg	Railroad Avenue eBART Station
Contra Costa	Pleasant Hill	Buskirk Avenue Corridor

County	Jurisdiction	Priority Development Area
Contra Costa	Pleasant Hill	Diablo Valley College
Contra Costa	Richmond	North Richmond*
Contra Costa	Richmond	Central Richmond & 23rd Street Corridor*
Contra Costa	Richmond	Hilltop**
Contra Costa	Richmond	San Pablo Ave Corridor*
Contra Costa	Richmond	South Richmond*
Contra Costa	San Pablo	Rumrill Boulevard
Contra Costa	San Pablo	San Pablo Avenue & 23rd Street Corridors
Contra Costa	San Ramon	City Center
Contra Costa	San Ramon	North Camino Ramon
Contra Costa	Unincorporated Contra Costa	Contra Costa Centre
Contra Costa	Unincorporated Contra Costa	Downtown El Sobrante PDA*
Contra Costa	Unincorporated Contra Costa	Pittsburg Bay Point Connected Community PDA*
Contra Costa	Unincorporated Contra Costa	Pittsburg Bay Point Transit Rich PDA*
Contra Costa	Unincorporated Contra Costa	Pittsburg/Bay Point BART Station
Contra Costa	Unincorporated Contra Costa	San Pablo Avenue
Contra Costa	Walnut Creek	Core Area
Marin	San Rafael	Downtown
Marin	Unincorporated Marin	Urbanized Corridor*
Napa	American Canyon	Highway 29 Corridor
Napa	Napa	Downtown Napa and Soscol Gateway Corridor
San Francisco	San Francisco	19th Avenue*
San Francisco	San Francisco	Balboa Park and Southwest Corridors*
San Francisco	San Francisco	Bayview/Southeast Neighborhoods*
San Francisco	San Francisco	Central City Neighborhoods*
San Francisco	San Francisco	Downtown/Van Ness/Northeast Neighborhoods*
San Francisco	San Francisco	Eastern Neighborhoods*
San Francisco	San Francisco	J Church and Mission Corridor*
San Francisco	San Francisco	Lombard Street**
San Francisco	San Francisco	Market Octavia*
San Francisco	San Francisco	Mission Bay*
San Francisco	San Francisco	Richmond District**
San Francisco	San Francisco	Sunset Corridors**
San Francisco	San Francisco	Transbay/Rincon Hill*

County	Jurisdiction	Priority Development Area
San Francisco	San Francisco	Treasure Island & Yerba Buena Island
San Francisco	San Francisco	West Portal/Forest Hill Station Area**
San Mateo	Belmont	Villages of Belmont
San Mateo	Brisbane	Brisbane*
San Mateo	Burlingame	Burlingame El Camino Real
San Mateo	Burlingame	Downtown*
San Mateo	Colma	El Camino Real*
San Mateo	Daly City	Bayshore
San Mateo	Daly City	Mission Boulevard
San Mateo	East Palo Alto	Ravenswood
Santa Clara	Menlo Park	El Camino Real Corridor and Downtown
San Mateo	Millbrae	Transit Station Area
San Mateo	Pacifica	Sharp Park Specific Plan**
San Mateo	Pacifica	Skyline Corridor**
San Mateo	Redwood City	Broadway/Veterans Boulevard Corridor
San Mateo	Redwood City	Downtown
San Mateo	Redwood City	El Camino Real Corridor
San Mateo	San Bruno	Transit Corridors
San Mateo	San Carlos	Railroad Corridor*
San Mateo	San Mateo	Downtown
San Mateo	San Mateo	El Camino Real
San Mateo	San Mateo	Grand Boulevard Initiative
San Mateo	San Mateo	Rail Corridor
San Mateo	South San Francisco	Downtown
San Mateo	South San Francisco	El Camino Real
San Mateo	Unincorporated San Mateo	El Camino Real (North Fair Oaks)
San Mateo	Unincorporated San Mateo	El Camino Real (Unincorporated Colma)
Santa Clara	Campbell	Central Redevelopment Area
Santa Clara	Cupertino	Cores & Corridors
Santa Clara	Gilroy	Downtown Gilroy*
Santa Clara	Milpitas	Midtown**
Santa Clara	Milpitas	Transit Area Specific Plan*
Santa Clara	Morgan Hill	Downtown Morgan Hill*
Santa Clara	Mountain View	Downtown*
Santa Clara	Mountain View	El Camino Real
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Santa Clara	Mountain View	Whisman*
Santa Clara	Palo Alto	California Avenue
Santa Clara	Palo Alto	Downtown Palo Alto**
Santa Clara	San Jose	Bascom TOD Corridor
Santa Clara	San Jose	Bascom Urban Village
Santa Clara	San Jose	Berryessa Station
Santa Clara	San Jose	Blossom Hill/Snell Urban Village
Santa Clara	San Jose	Camden Urban Village
Santa Clara	San Jose	Capitol Corridor Urban Villages
Santa Clara	San Jose	Capitol/Tully/King Urban Villages
Santa Clara	San Jose	Communications Hill
Santa Clara	San Jose	Cottle Transit Village (Hitachi)
Santa Clara	San Jose	Downtown "Frame"
Santa Clara	San Jose	East Santa Clara/Alum Rock Corridor
Santa Clara	San Jose	Greater Downtown
Santa Clara	San Jose	North San Jose
Santa Clara	San Jose	Oakridge/Almaden Plaza Urban Village
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Santa Clara	San Jose	Saratoga TOD Corridor
Santa Clara	San Jose	South DeAnza**
Santa Clara	San Jose	Stevens Creek TOD Corridor
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Santa Clara	San Jose	Westgate/El Paseo Urban Village
Santa Clara	San Jose	Winchester Boulevard TOD Corridor
Santa Clara	Santa Clara	City Place**
Santa Clara	Santa Clara	El Camino Real Focus Area
Santa Clara	Santa Clara	Freedom Circle**
Santa Clara	Santa Clara	Lawrence Station Phase II**
Santa Clara	Santa Clara	Patrick Henry Drive**
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Santa Clara	Santa Clara	Tasman East**
Santa Clara	Sunnyvale	Downtown & Caltrain Station
Santa Clara	Sunnyvale	East Sunnyvale
Santa Clara	Sunnyvale	El Camino Real Corridor
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Santa Clara	Sunnyvale	Moffett Park Specific Plan**
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Solano	Benicia	Downtown
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Solano	Fairfield	Heart of Fairfield*
Solano	Fairfield	North Texas Street Core

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Solano	Suisun City	Downtown & Waterfront
Solano	Vacaville	Allison Area*
Solano	Vacaville	Allison Policy Plan Area- Proposed PDA Expansion*
Solano	Vacaville	Downtown
Solano	Vallejo	Solano 360/ I-80/ I-37 Gateway**
Solano	Vallejo	Central Corridor East**
Solano	Vallejo	Central Corridor West**
Solano	Vallejo	Carquinez Heights**
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Solano	Vallejo	Waterfront & Downtown
Sonoma	Cloverdale	Downtown/SMART Transit Area
Sonoma	Cotati	Downtown and Cotati Depot
Sonoma	Cotati	Gravenstein Corridor**
Sonoma	Petaluma	Corona**
Sonoma	Petaluma	Lakeville*
Sonoma	Rohnert Park	Central Rohnert Park
Sonoma	Rohnert Park	Sonoma Mountain Village
Sonoma	Santa Rosa	Downtown Station Area*
Sonoma	Santa Rosa	Mendocino Avenue/Santa Rosa Avenue Corridor
Sonoma	Santa Rosa	North Santa Rosa Station
Sonoma	Santa Rosa	Roseland
Sonoma	Santa Rosa	Sebastopol Road Corridor
Sonoma	Sebastopol	Core Area
Sonoma	Unincorporated Sonoma	Sonoma Airport**
Sonoma	Unincorporated Sonoma	Santa Rosa Avenue Priority Development Area**
Sonoma	Unincorporated Sonoma	Sonoma County: Sonoma Valley, The Springs**
Sonoma	Windsor	Station Area/Downtown Specific Plan Area

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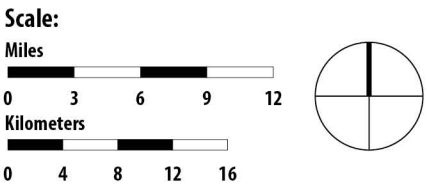
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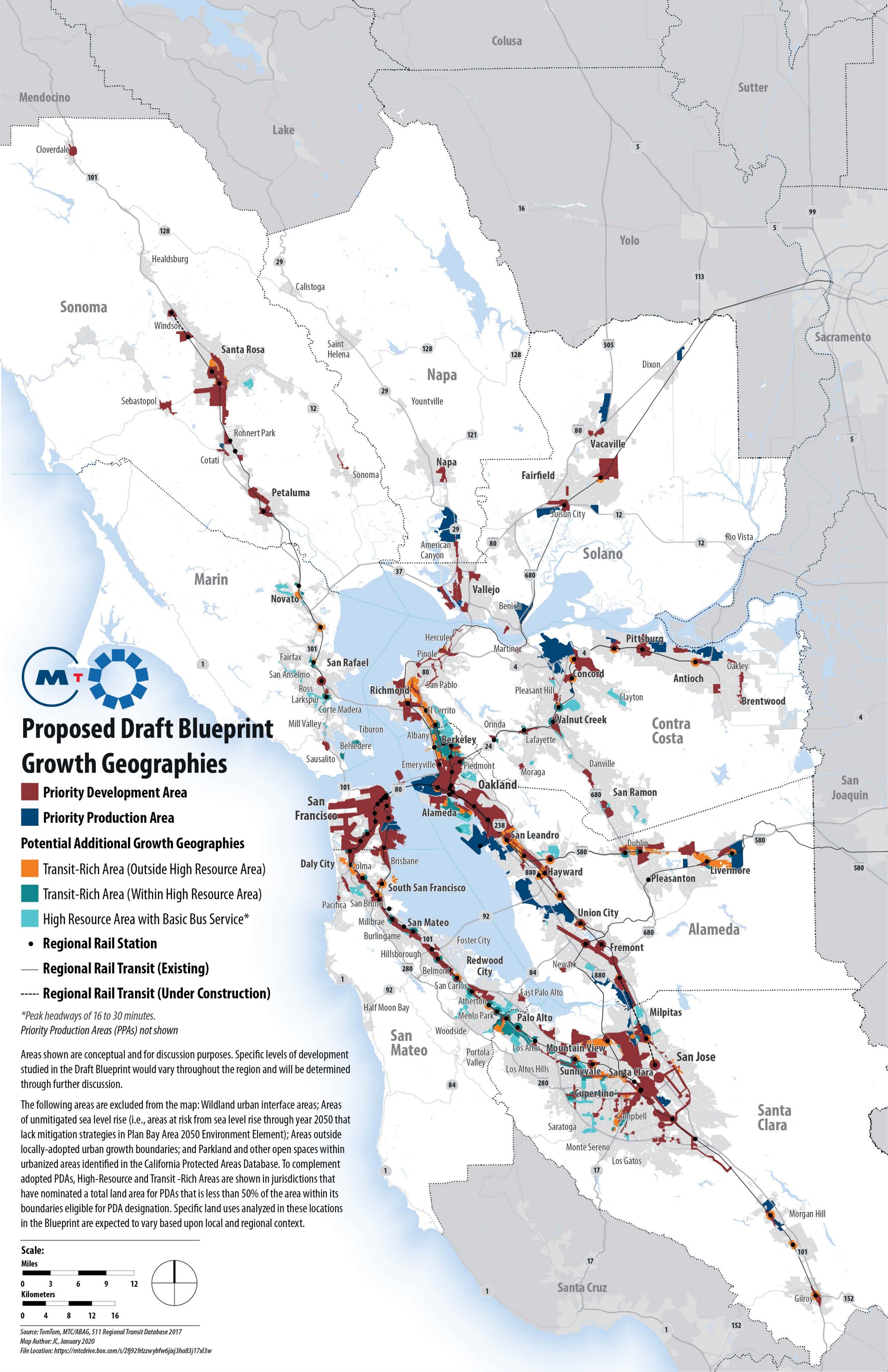
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PLAN BAY AREA 2050

Draft Blueprint: Growth Geographies

Seeking Direction on Geographies to Study

February 14, 2020

MTC Planning & ABAG Administrative Committees

Setting the Stage

Where We've Been, Where We're Going

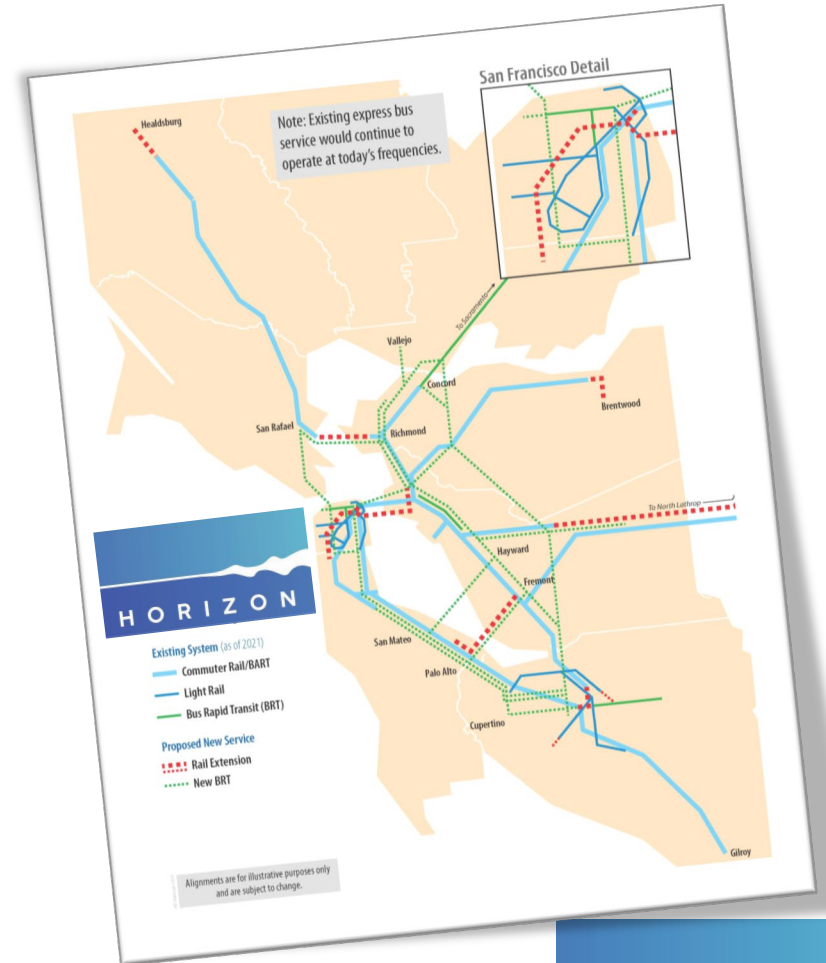


Plan Bay Area 2050 builds upon Horizon, which tested visionary strategies for an uncertain future.



Horizon explored dozens of bold strategies for the region's future, "stress testing" them against a broad range of external forces.

These included megaregional trends, technological shifts, and natural disasters, among others.



The Plan Bay Area 2050 Blueprint is a package of strategies designed to advance the regional vision.

*Vision: Ensure by the year 2050 that the Bay Area is **affordable**, **connected**, **diverse**, **healthy** and **vibrant** for all.*



- **Transportation** Investments & Strategies
- **Housing** Geographies & Strategies
- **Economic** Geographies & Strategies
- **Environmental** Strategies

What requirements must the Plan meet?

While Plan Bay Area 2050 must meet many statutory requirements, these three are among the most critical:



Fiscal Constraint

Under federal transportation planning regulations, the Plan must rely upon reasonably-expected revenues

Impact if Not Met: federal and state agencies will reject the Plan's approval, triggering a conformity lapse



Greenhouse Gas Reduction

Under Senate Bill 375, Plan Bay Area 2050 must meet or exceed a recently-enhanced 19 percent per-capita GHG reduction target for light-duty vehicles by 2035.

Impact if Not Met: region ineligible for select SB 1 funding



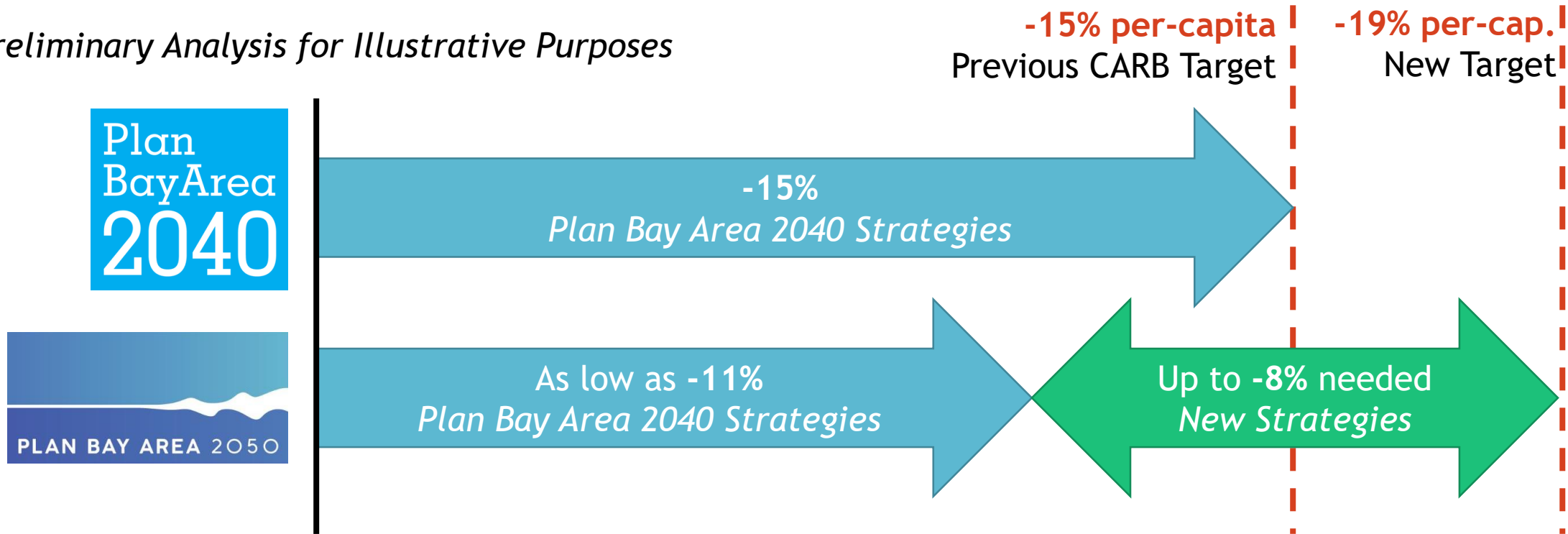
Housing at All Income Levels

Under Senate Bill 375, Plan Bay Area 2050 plan for sufficient housing for all income levels; RHNA must advance fair housing and ultimately be consistent with the Plan.

Impact if Not Met: HCD may not approve RHNA

Without bold new strategies, it may be very difficult to meet the more ambitious GHG target.

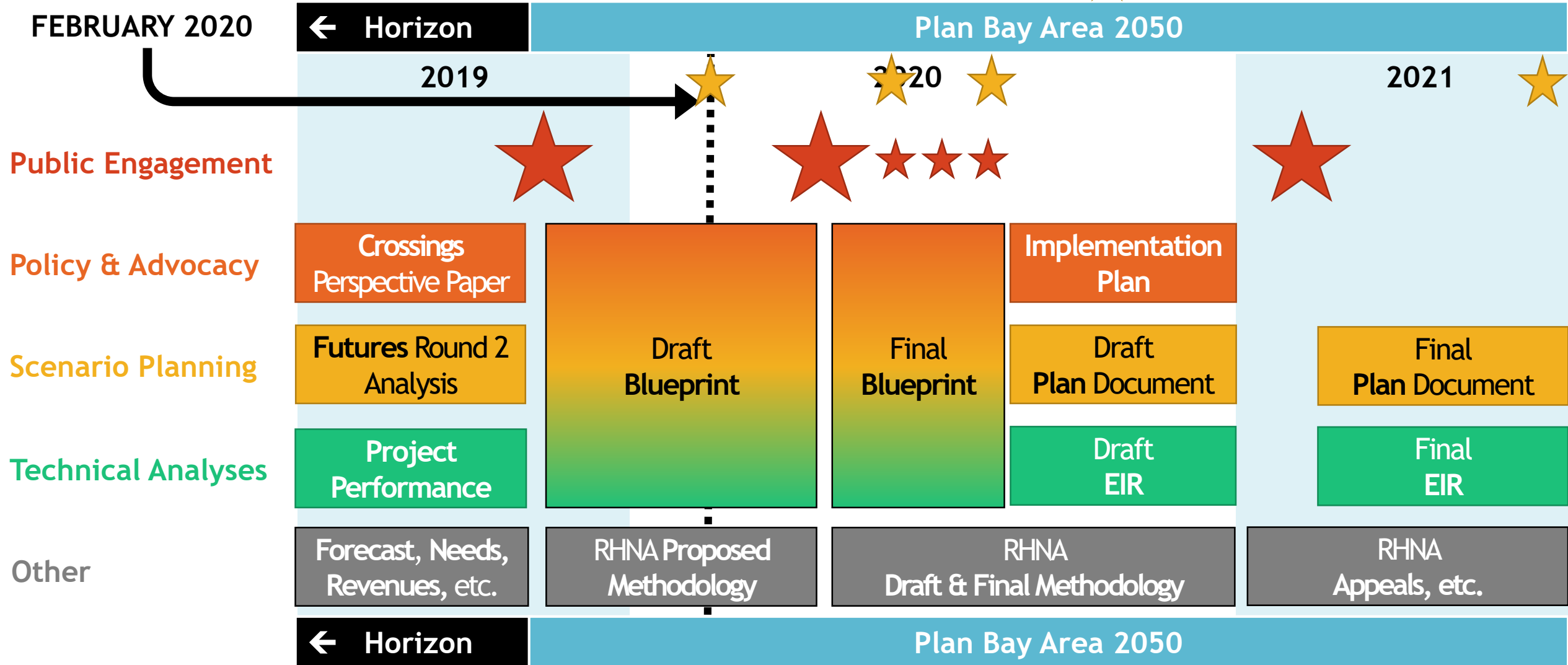
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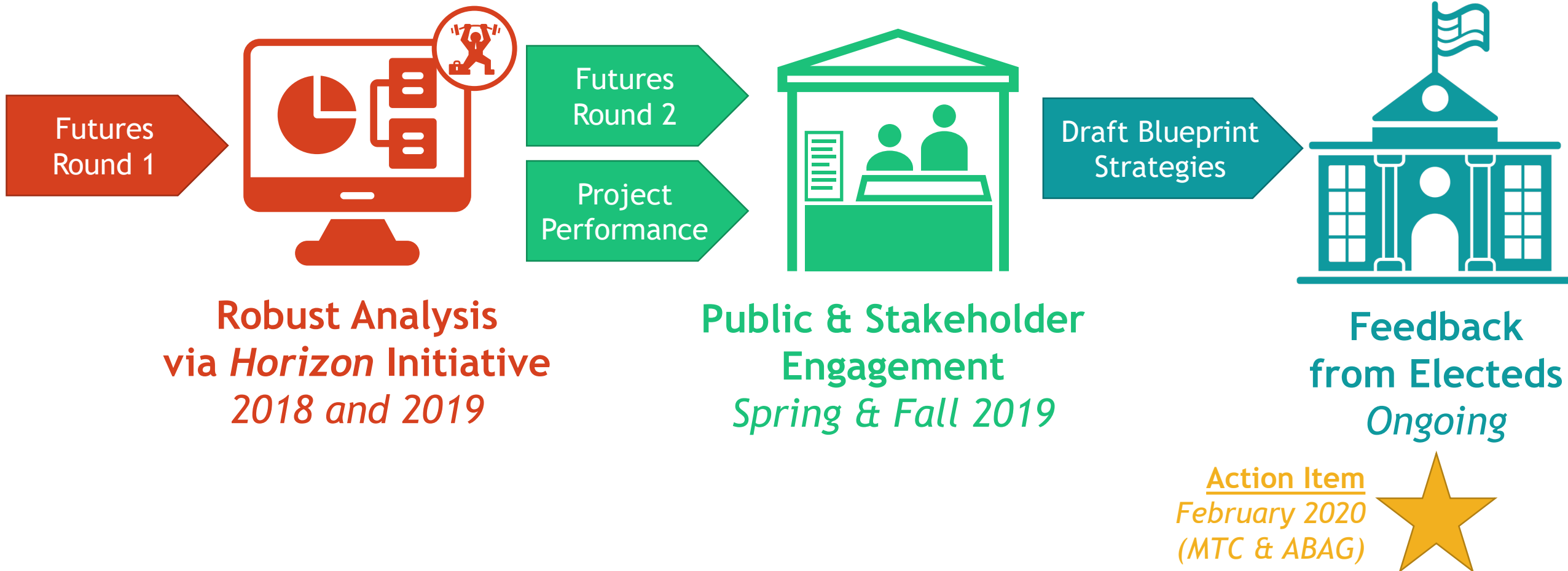
As part of the Draft Blueprint, we are **seeking your approval** this month to further study key strategies.

What's the schedule for Plan Bay Area 2050?

★ = Major Policy Board Decisions



How were strategies generated & refined?





3,000

comments at fall 2019
“pop-up” workshops

9,900

comments from *Mayor of Bayville* online tool



>250

attendees at fall 2019
Draft Blueprint
stakeholder workshops

90%

of comments at fall 2019 “pop-up” workshops supported the strategies advanced into Plan Bay Area 2050



Integrating Feedback from the January Workshop of the Commission & Board

Workshop participants were interested in encouraging job growth in housing-rich areas, but not via office development caps

Workshop participants were interested in how major capital projects fit into the Plan, including rail expansions and express lanes



Option B

Workshop participants were interested in considering transit-rich and high-resource areas for inclusion in Plan Bay Area 2050

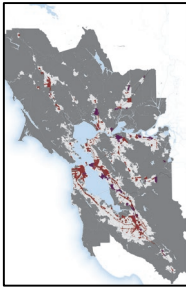
What are the critical action items being considered by MTC and ABAG this month?

1



Adopt new **Priority Conservation Areas**, **Priority Development Areas**, and **Priority Production Areas** *(ABAG Action Only)*

2



Approve **Growth Geographies** for Analysis in the Draft Blueprint *(MTC/ABAG Action)*

3



Approve **Strategies** for Analysis in the Draft Blueprint *(MTC/ABAG Action)*

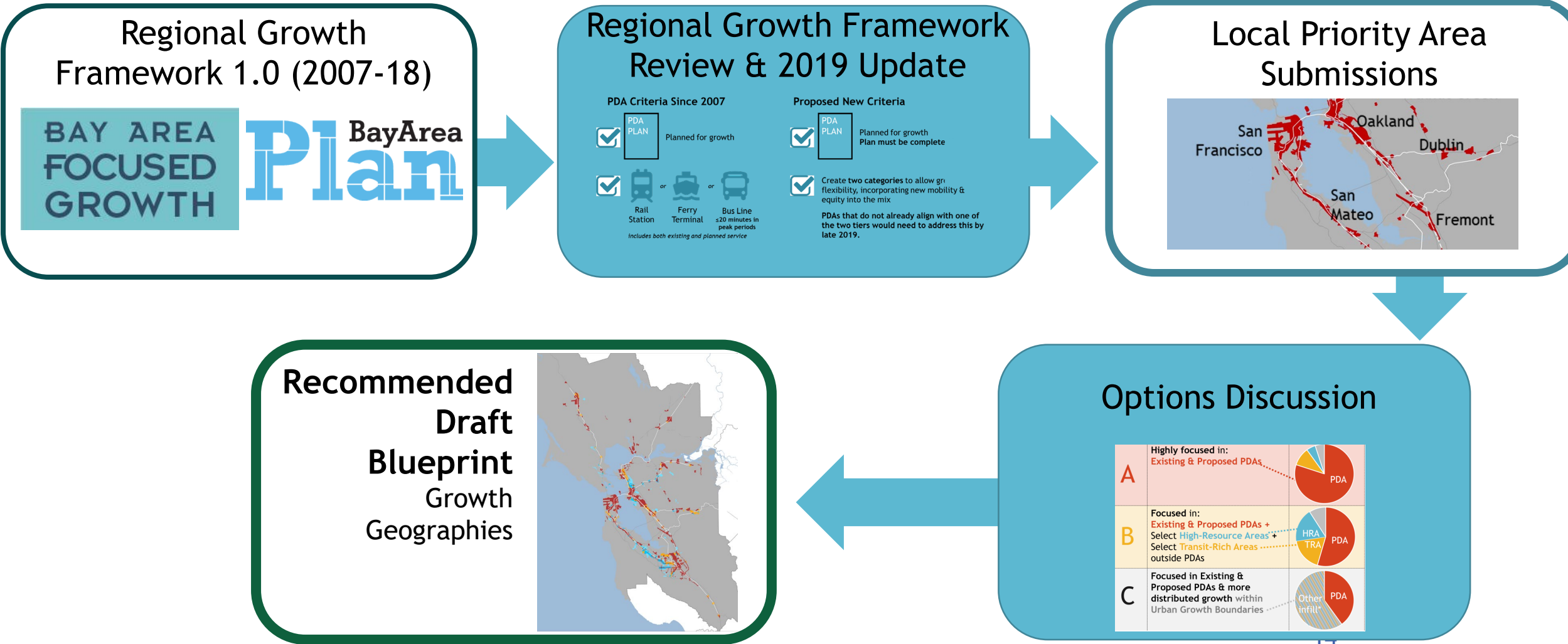


Diving into Growth Geographies

Seeking Action on *PDAs Plus*



What was the path to today's recommendation for Growth Geographies?





Refresher: the Strategies and Geographies for the Draft Blueprint are designed to work in concert; both are designed to more closely align the Plan with RHNA.



Refresher: What new priority areas were nominated by local jurisdictions in 2019?

34

new PDAs

*Priority Development
Areas*

19

new PCAs

*Priority Conservation
Areas*

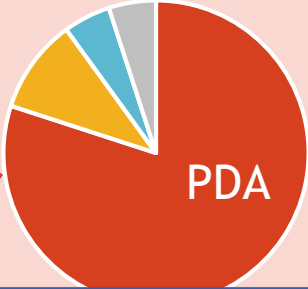
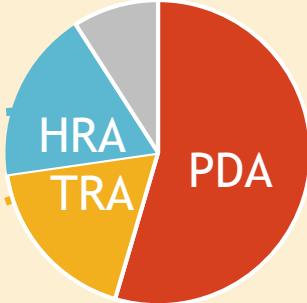
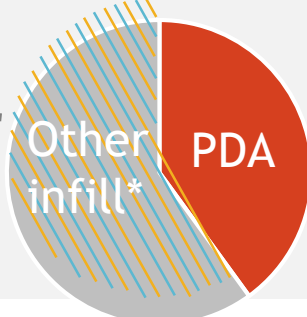
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pilot PPAs


*Priority Production
Areas*

In addition, MTC/ABAG staff worked with local jurisdictions & CTAs to ensure that **all PDAs advanced into Plan Bay Area 2050 meet program guidelines** for transit and local planning. The full list of PDAs is incorporated in your packet.


Refresher: What options were identified?

Location of Growth (charts are illustrative)			GHG Reduction	Equity	RHNA Consistency	Local Implementation
A	Highly focused in: Existing & Proposed PDAs		+	--	-	++
B	Focused in: Existing & Proposed PDAs + select High-Resource Areas + Select Transit-Rich Areas outside PDAs		++	++	+	-
C	More distributed growth within Urban Growth Boundaries * Including all High-Resource Areas + Transit-Rich Areas		--	+	+	+

What geographies would Option B protect and prioritize?

- 

Protect

Areas outside Urban Growth Boundaries
(including PCAs)
- 

Unmitigated High Hazard Areas

- ✓



PDAs
- ✓



PPAs
- ✓



TRAs:
Frequent Regional Rail
- ✓

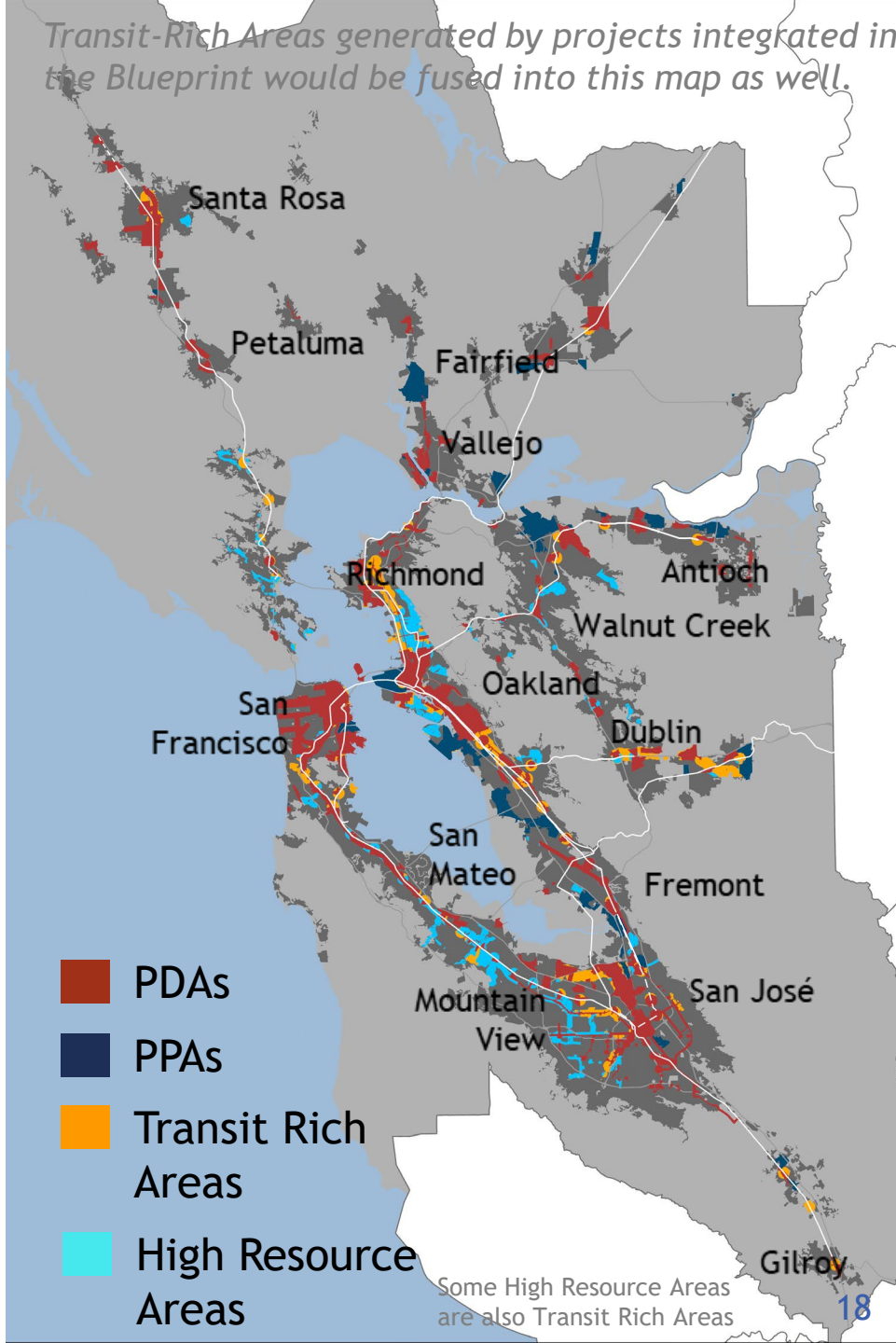


TRAs*
All Other
- ✓



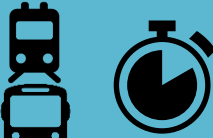





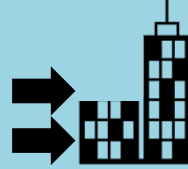



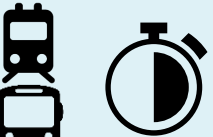




HRAs*

** Applies to all jurisdictions except those that have already nominated more than 50% of PDA-eligible areas*



What might this look like on the ground?

Example: Housing

Context (not exhaustive)			Housing Mix (illustrative only)		
Transit	Job Access	Area Land Use			
 <p>Very frequent service</p>					
 <p>Frequent service</p>					
 <p>Basic service</p>					 
Included in all areas: essential local services and supportive transportation infrastructure					

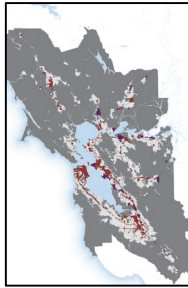
We are seeking your approval of the first two action items at this time.

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Adopt new **Priority Conservation Areas**, **Priority Development Areas**, and **Priority Production Areas** *(ABAG Action Only)*

2



Approve **Growth Geographies** for Analysis in the Draft Blueprint *(MTC/ABAG Action)*

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Approve **Strategies** for Analysis in the Draft Blueprint *(MTC/ABAG Action)*

February 4, 2020

Therese McMillan
Executive Director, ABAG/MTC
375 Beale Street, #700
San Francisco, CA 94105

Re: Friends of North Sonoma **Strongly Oppose** Springs Specific Plan as a PDA

Dear Ms. McMillan,

Our understanding is that the Joint MTC Planning and ABAG Administrative Committee and the ABAG Executive Board will be making a decision regarding whether to approve the Springs Specific Plan (SSP) application to become a Priority Development Area (PDA) soon. We urge you to NOT approve this PDA.

Friends of North Sonoma (FNS) is an unincorporated citizens' group representing the homeowners in the surrounding neighborhood of Donald, Robinson and Lomita streets. We are a rural, fifty-year old neighborhood of single-family homes with a single 2.36 acre empty lot available for development. Attached is a May 8, 2012, letter from then Supervisor Brown and current Supervisor Zane describing the SSP which clearly states "these places are not appropriate for the higher densities of urban PDAs..." (attachment 1). Nothing has changed. The SSP area has no major bank, no major grocery store, no high school and no middle school.

Furthermore, the current bus system does not meet MTC headway requirements for a PDA (attachment 2). The bus doesn't run in the late afternoon or evening to be useful for commuters. At the SCTA meeting, "Let's Talk: The Future of Transportation in Sonoma" held December 11th, 2019, County representatives stated they have no plans to upgrade bus #32. This is confirmed in a subsequent email from County staff (attachment 3). To put high density housing here can only result in more people driving to get the services they need.

Our fundamental issue is that Sonoma County failed to provide notice to our Donald Street neighborhood regarding development of the Springs Specific Plan. The County's failed outreach focused on the businesses and schools along the Highway 12 corridor. Donald Street is contiguous with City of Sonoma city limits and runs ¾ mile east of Highway 12 (attachment 4). Our Donald Street neighborhood has never been considered part of the Springs. Our children attend Sassarini Elementary in the center of the town of Sonoma. See attached map from Sonoma County Economic Board's Sonoma Valley Community Profile Demographics Report 2017, which shows Donald Street in relation to the other Spring communities (attachment 5). And even though our neighborhood represents 87% of the new housing proposed in the SSP and 32% of the plan area, lack of notice meant that **not a single representative from our neighborhood participated in the development of the SSP**. This goes against

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MTC Resolution No. 4035, requiring proactive, public outreach to insure “full and fair participation by all potentially affected communities” (attachment 6). Even the County’s own survey showed no one from our neighborhood streets participated which they failed to rectify (attachment 7). The County waited until September 10, 2018, six years after the inception of the SSP, to put tags on our parcels notifying us we were included in the SSP (attachment 8). It was this tag that alerted a Donald Street homeowner to its existence in early 2019. FNS submitted a petition to the Board of Supervisors on June 4, 2019, with 260 signatures asking for a re-start of the SSP (attachment 9). We received no response. We now question whether the County’s failed outreach and delayed tags on our parcels was done intentionally to bypass possible resistance from a neighborhood group.

Additionally, we feel the original application for the SSP written in 2012 contained false statements (attachment 10), as our neighborhood falls outside MTC’s Community of Concern map and is neither low-income, nor disadvantaged (attachment 11 and 12).

After the Nuns fire, Permit Sonoma increased the density of the proposed SSP project as a response to the dramatic loss of homes. **This higher density plan was never shown to a single community group before its inclusion in the draft version of the plan submitted to the Sonoma Valley Citizens Advisory Commission (SVCAC) on August 18, 2018** (see attachment 13). However, if you had been in the Donald neighborhood the night we were asked to evacuate, and experienced the terror of being caught in a traffic jam with fire approaching, you would have redrawn the plans differently. All of our neighborhood streets are dead-end streets that back up to a hillside with only two ways out. Fetters Hot Springs, one of the contiguous neighborhoods in the SSP, was recognized by StreetLight Data as being one of a hundred communities in the US with the most limited means of escaping a disaster (attachment 14). And our water district, Valley of the Moon Water District, lost its back up water supply needed to fight fire disasters with the closure of the Sonoma Developmental Center (attachment 15). It is also important to point out that the northern side of Donald Street is actually the border for Cal Fire’s Fire Hazard Severity Zone (attachment 16). To add high density housing to our neighborhood will only increase the chances that our neighborhood will experience a catastrophe, like the town of Paradise.

The decision to approve the application for the SSP to become a PDA was disrespectfully included as item #28 on the Consent Calendar at the December 17, 2019, Board of Supervisors Meeting. Thirty-two homeowners showed up to voice concerns against being designated a PDA at a meeting held 45 minutes away from Sonoma on an early Tuesday morning with three days’ notice. In spite of the controversial nature of this item, the Board would not remove it from their Consent Calendar.

We understand that neither ABAG nor MTC addresses decisions made at the local level. However, our right to have a voice and be included in the SSP development was

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overlooked, in clear violation of MTC's own policies of inclusion. We feel our concerns for our water and fire safety are not being heard. To date, Sonoma County has been unable to provide us with a reason why the Donald Street neighborhood was "silently" added to the SSP over 7 years ago, much less why our neighborhood should be designated a PDA. FNS wholeheartedly feel the SSP is not appropriate for major growth and strongly urge the Board and Committee members to vote against this PDA designation. We seriously hope to resolve these concerns without litigation.

Thank you for your time and attention reading this letter.

A collection of handwritten signatures in blue ink. The signatures are arranged in three rows. The first row includes 'Gary Germano', 'Paul Rockett', and 'Joel Trachtenberg'. The second row includes 'Vicki DeSmet', 'Joel DeSmet', and 'Matt Lage'. The third row includes 'Colleen Cowan', 'Bennett Martin', and 'Gary DeSmet'. Below these, there are more signatures, including 'Valerie L. Mathes', 'Ricci Wheatley', and another signature that appears to be 'Joel Trachtenberg'.

Friends of North Sonoma Steering Committee:

Steve Caniglia, Colleen Cowan, Vicki DeSmet, Gary DeSmet, Gary Germano, Matt Lage,
Bennett Martin, Valerie Mathes, Paul Rockett, Joel Trachtenberg, Maud Trachtenberg,
Ricci Wheatley

For Friends of North Sonoma
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cc: Tennis Wick, Director, Permit Sonoma
Matt Maloney, Interim Planning Director, ABAG/MTC
Mark Shorett, Principal Planner, ABAG/MTC
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Re: Support for Rural Place Types in Unincorporated Sonoma County

Dear Mr. Luce,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide further comment on the Jobs Housing Connection Scenario as it relates to consideration of Rural Place Types. On March 15 the Executive Board deferred action on Rural Place Type proposals (with the exception of Benicia and Dixon). We understand this was primarily in response to concerns with the proposed Midcoast Priority Development Area (PDA) in unincorporated San Mateo County's Coastal Zone.

ABAG staff has indicated that the Unincorporated Sonoma County PDA applications have been assumed in the Draft Jobs Housing Connection (JHC) Scenario, which we believe is appropriate. We understand that further consideration of the Rural Place Type Priority Development Areas will occur at the upcoming June 6 Regional Planning Committee meeting and final action will occur at the July 19 ABAG Executive Board meeting.

The Sonoma County Board of Supervisors and the Sonoma County Transportation Authority/Regional Climate Protection Authority urge the Executive Board to support Sonoma County's PDA applications as Rural Place Types and ensure they are included in the adopted JHC Scenario. These applications include the following places:

- Airport/Larkfield
- Forestville
- Graton
- Guerneville
- Pennngrove
- Sonoma Valley – The Springs

As you are aware, including these places within the growth strategy envisioned in the Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) provides additional program and funding opportunities to assist local governments in transforming these places into more complete communities that are less auto-dependent. These opportunities include the OneBayArea Grant (OBAG) and other planning, technical assistance and affordable housing funds.

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As local agencies, we strongly support including these communities as appropriate places for future compact infill development in our rural/suburban county context. Incentivizing infill and mixed use development while enhancing the unique flavor and fabric of these communities should be an essential component in an SCS that reflects the diversity of community scale that is found throughout the Bay Area. These places are not appropriate for the higher densities of urban PDAs, but they should not be left out of the SCS process. The SCS should provide policy guidance and incentives for suburban sprawl repair and the transformation of existing rural neighborhoods into more complete communities with multi-modal road networks and linkages to County-wide and regional bikeways and transit systems.

We envision our proposed Rural Place Type PDAs as opportunities to work with communities to develop plans and improvements that, over the next 30 years, will transform these places with densities and mobility options more akin to a walkable/bikable European village surrounded by greenbelts, linked with bike trails, and at densities that support of more frequent transit service. At the same time, retaining the smaller scale of these places is also essential.

All of our proposed PDA places are served by public sewer and water and contained within Urban Service boundaries that are hard-wired into the County's General Plan. The County and all nine city General Plans have strong compact growth policies that focus urban development within the cities and, in a more limited way, within the unincorporated Urban Service Areas. Urban development outside these areas is largely non-existent.

We see the investment opportunities connected with PDA designation as essential to realizing our vision of encouraging sustainable development within unincorporated Urban Service Areas in several ways:

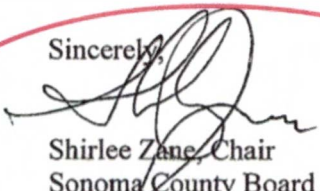
- Providing specific plan funding to work with citizens to identify: infill opportunities, appropriate building prototypes and densities, a balanced mix of land uses, "complete street" modifications, appropriate location and design of transit facilities to encourage ridership, zoning amendments to allow more live/work and job opportunities.
- Infrastructure funding for complete street improvements.
- Completion of local and regional bike networks.
- Improvement of the transit system to provide more frequent service between PDA's and regional employment centers, schools, recreation sites and shopping areas.

Having these areas recognized in the JHC as places where focused growth can occur and, most importantly, eligible for the incentives available to PDAs, will help us in our current efforts to make these communities more complete, sustainable and less auto dependent.

We ask that you support the designation of our six proposed applications in unincorporated Urban Service Areas as Rural Place Type PDAs.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,


Shirlee Zane, Chair
Sonoma County Board of Supervisors


Valerie Brown, Chair
SCTA/RCPA

cc: ~~Board of Supervisors~~
SCTA/RCPA Board Members

From: Steven Schmitz [mailto:steven@sctransit.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 25, 2019 11:30 AM
To: Janet Spilman <janet.spilman@scta.ca.gov>; Amy Lyle <Amy.Lyle@sonoma-county.org>
Cc: Christopher Barney <chris.barney@scta.ca.gov>; Bryan Albee <bkalbee@sctransit.com>
Subject: RE: Springs PDA - Transit Headways

EXTERNAL

Thanks for the information, Janet.

Hi Amy – SCT does provide existing average 30 minute headways in the weekday a.m. peak (6 to 10 a.m.) on local routes 32/34 through the Sonoma Springs. However, we don't currently provide average 30 minute headways in the weekday p.m. peak (4 to 7 p.m.) on local routes 32/34, even when combining local and intercity service through the Sonoma Springs.

If eligibility for a PDA in the Sonoma Springs requires existing average 30 minute transit headways on weekdays in both the a.m. and p.m. peak, we don't currently meet that criteria. SCT's local route 32/34 currently ends weekday service at 4:25 p.m. Intercity service thereafter averages approximately 60 minute headways.

I'd be happy to discuss with you further over the phone.

Steven Schmitz
585-7516

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Jodi Curtis" <jodi@sctransit.com>
Date: January 30, 2020 at 3:07:18 PM PST
To: "'Vicki DeSmet'" <joy2bake@sbcglobal.net>
Cc: "Steven Schmitz" <steven@sctransit.com>
Subject: RE: sctransit.wpengine.com form: Question

Good Afternoon Vicki,

I have reached out to Steven Schmitz in our office to inquire about a bicycle rack. He has asked that you contact him directly regarding this. I have copied him on this email and/or he can be reached at [707-585-7516](tel:707-585-7516).

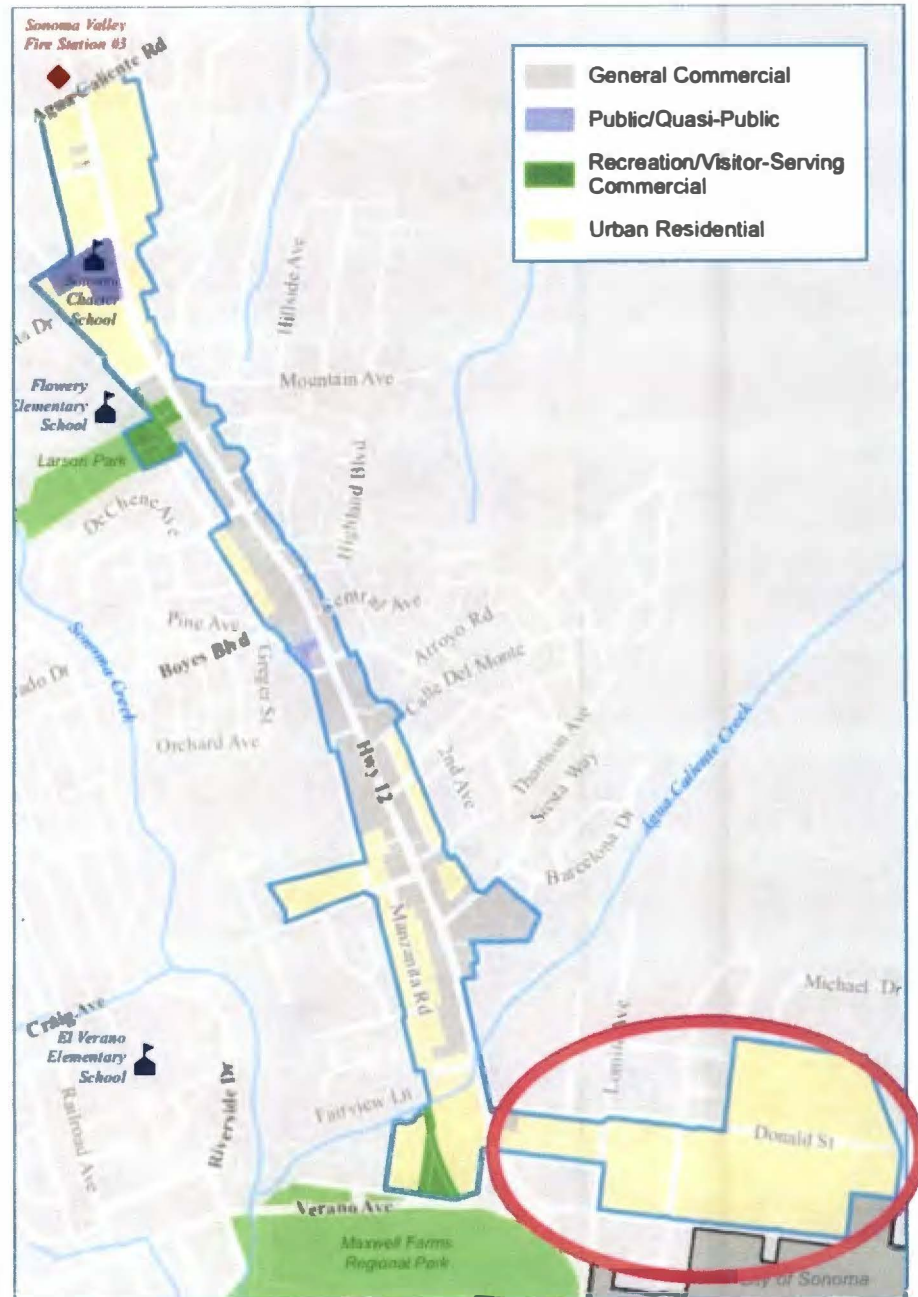
SCT has been discussing the Rt. 32 with the City of Sonoma. At the current time, SCT has no plans to make changes, but is appreciative of suggestions or comments regarding our bus routes for future consideration. If you have any suggestions, please feel free to reach out to me via email or per the information below.

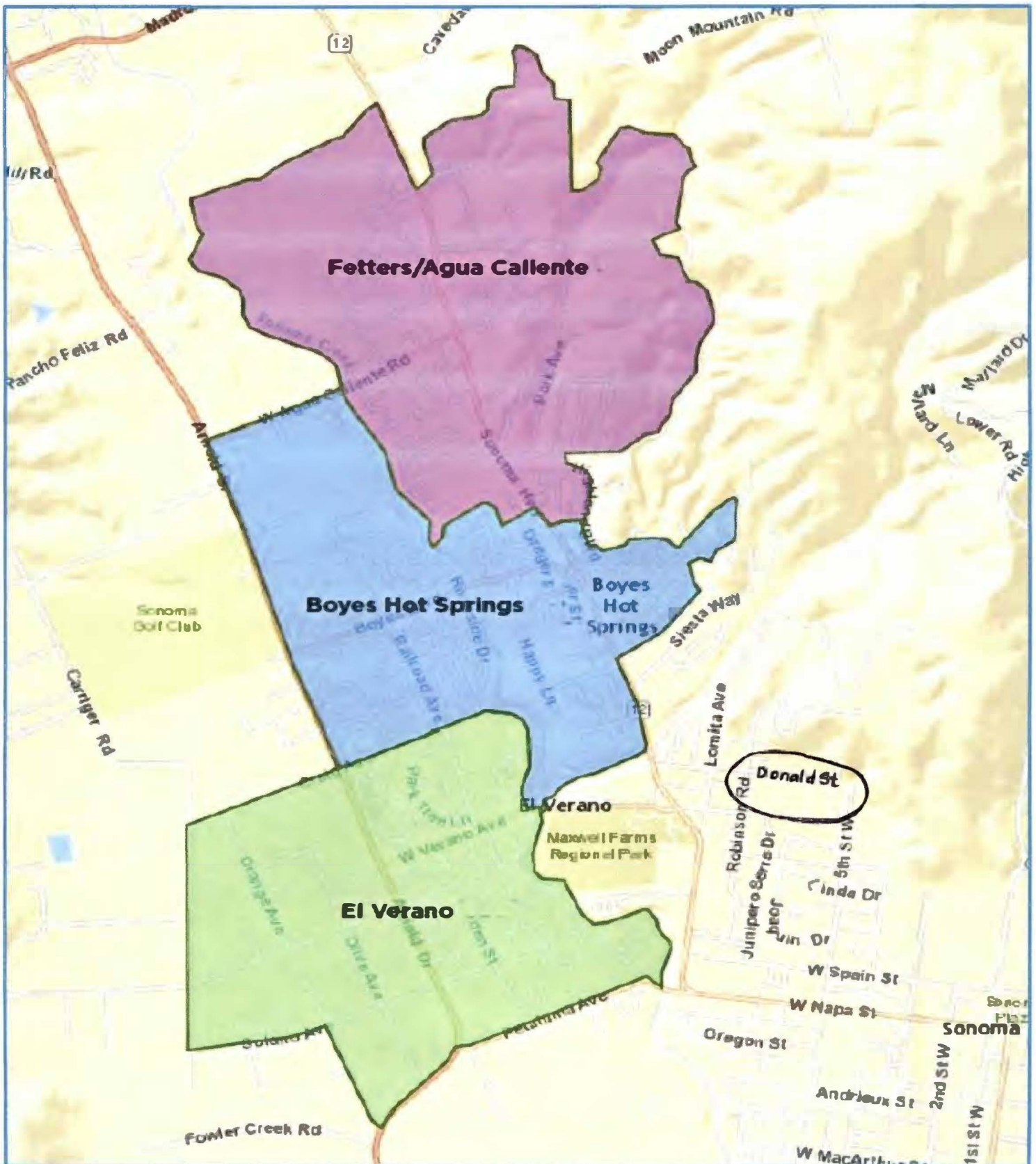
Thank you,

Jodi Curtis
Transit Specialist II
SonomaCountyTransit
355 West Robles Avenue
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2A OVERVIEW

The Springs Specific Plan places a strong emphasis on increased housing opportunities, economic growth, and improved bicycle and pedestrian connectivity throughout the Plan area. Mixed-use, commercial, and medium to high density residential development will be accommodated along the Highway 12 corridor (see Figures 2 and 3). The variety of housing types included in the Plan accommodates a range of affordability levels. The Specific Plan also promotes new community-serving retail, restaurants, and services.





May 17, 2012
Attachment A, MTC Resolution No. 4035

Assessment (RHNA) and added weighting to acknowledge very low and low income housing. The formula breakdown is as follows with distributions derived from each jurisdiction's proportionate share of the regional total for each factor:

OBAG Fund Distribution Factors

Factor Weighting	Percentage
Population	50%
RHNA* (total housing units)	12.5%
RHNA (low/very low income housing units)	12.5%
Housing Production** (total housing units)	12.5%
Housing Production (low/very low income housing units)	12.5%

* RHNA 2014-2022

**Housing Production Report 1999-2006

The objective of this formula is to provide housing incentives to complement the region's Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS) which together with a Priority Development Area (PDA) focused investment strategy will lead to transportation investments that support focused development. The proposed One Bay Area Grant formula also uses actual housing production data from 1999-2006, which has been capped such that each jurisdiction receives credit for housing up to its RHNA allocation. Subsequent funding cycles will be based on housing production from ABAG's next housing report to be published in 2013. The formula also recognizes jurisdictions' RHNA and past housing production (uncapped) contributions to very low and low income housing units. The resulting OBAG fund distribution for each county is presented in Appendix A-4. Funding guarantees are also incorporated in the fund distribution to ensure that all counties receive as much funding under the new funding model as compared to what they would have received under the Cycle 1 framework.

The Commission, working with ABAG, will revisit the funding distribution formula for the next cycle (post FY2015-16) to further evaluate how to best incentivize housing production across all income levels and other Plan Bay Area performance objectives.

CYCLE 2 GENERAL PROGRAMMING POLICIES

The following programming policies apply to all projects funded in Cycle 2:

1. **Public Involvement.** MTC is committed to a public involvement process that is proactive and provides comprehensive information, timely public notice, full public access to key decisions, and opportunities for continuing involvement. MTC provides many methods to fulfill this commitment, as outlined in the *MTC Public Participation Plan*, Resolution No. 3821. The Commission's adoption of the Cycle 2 program, including policy and procedures meet the provisions of the *MTC Public Participation Plan*. MTC's advisory committees and the Bay

- A description of how the public engagement process met the outreach requirements of MTC's Public Participation Plan, including how the CMA ensured full and fair participation by all potentially affected communities in the project submittal process.
- A summary of comments received from the public and a description of how public comments informed the recommended list of projects submitted by the CMA.

2. Agency Coordination

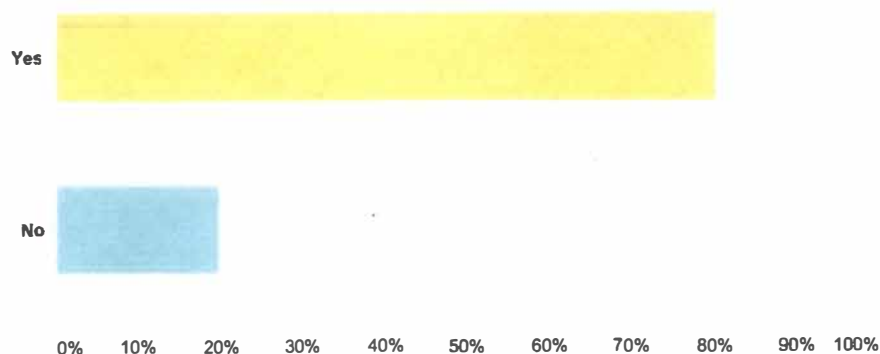
- ***Work closely with local jurisdictions, transit agencies, MTC, Caltrans, federally recognized tribal governments, and stakeholders to identify projects for consideration in the OBAG Program.*** CMAs will assist with agency coordination by:
 - Communicating this Call for Projects guidance to local jurisdictions, transit agencies, federally recognized tribal governments, and other stakeholders

3. Title VI Responsibilities

- ***Ensure the public involvement process provides underserved communities access to the project submittal process as in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.***
 - Assist community-based organizations, communities of concern, and any other underserved community interested in having projects submitted for funding;
 - Remove barriers for persons with limited-English proficiency to have access to the project submittal process;
 - For Title IV outreach strategies, please refer to MTC's Public Participation Plan found at: http://www.onebayarea.org/get_involved.htm
 - Additional resources are available at
 - i. <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/civilrights/programs/tvi.htm>
 - ii. http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/DBE_CRLC.html#TitleVI
 - iii. http://www.mtc.ca.gov/get_involved/rights/index.htm

Community Survey

Do you live in The Springs?



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	80.25%	126
No	19.75%	31
Total		157

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101	Arroyo Rd. - Boyes Hot Springs	7/26/2016 6:10 PM
102	320 Arbor Ave.	7/26/2016 6:01 PM

Community Survey

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117	Orchard ave, boyes	7/26/2016 1:29 PM
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119	Northside Ave.	7/26/2016 1:01 PM
120	Cragmont Dr	7/26/2016 12:59 PM
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122	Rose Avenue	7/19/2016 5:10 PM
123	Mission Way, Agua Caliente	7/5/2016 2:28 PM
124	Crivelli Drive	7/1/2016 7:58 AM
125	Crivelli Street	6/30/2016 3:40 PM
126	middlefield/springs	6/28/2016 9:17 PM
127	El Verano	6/28/2016 4:44 PM
128	Hillside Ave/Sonoma	6/23/2016 11:10 AM
129	Hill Rd, GE	6/21/2016 12:35 PM

Results

Parcel Number: [127-092-025](#)

Permits: 9

Number: PLP18-0039

Date: 9/10/2018

Status: Started

Type: Planning Project

Description: New Specific Plan for the Springs involving an area of approximately 178 acres adjacent to the Highway 12 corridor from Agua Caliente Rd to Verano Ave and including the Donald St neighborhood. The project will include amendments to the General Plan and a number of zone changes required to implement the specific plan.

Number: BLD02-4929

Date: 5/27/2002

Status: Finaled

Type: Building Permit With Plan Check

Description: NEW CUSTOM INGROUND POOL & RETAINING WALLS

Number: SEW91-0055

Date: 4/20/2000

Status: Finaled

Type: Engineering History Record

Description: ADVANCE CONNECTION FEES FOR SFD

Number: BLD99-1655

Date: [10/8/1999](#)

Status: Finaled

Type: Building Permit No Plan Check

Description: REMOVE/REPAIR DRY ROT WALLS/ARBOR/FDN/PATIO/STUCCO

Scanned: Yes

Number: PX024273

Date: 7/5/1991

Status: Finaled

Type: Building History Record

Description: REVISE FDN

Number: T-018982

Date: 6/18/1991

Status: Finaled

Type: Building History Record

Description: TEMP ELEC

Number: B-106453

Date: 4/18/1991

PETITION TO
THE SONOMA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

We, the undersigned, **residents and neighbors of the Verano/Donald Street neighborhood**, hereby declare that the county outreach program for the Springs Specific Plan was flawed and failed. No specific written notices were mailed to any property owners in the Verano/Donald Street neighborhood. We have been involuntarily excluded from having a voice at the table regarding future development, which will have significant impact on the safety, infrastructure and character of our neighborhood. We assert the principle of fairness, and declare that equal properties should be treated equitably. We reject proposals of re-zoning a few parcels in our neighborhood to accommodate the spot increased development of particular vacant land. We want the County Board of Supervisors to reject any plan currently being proposed by the Springs Specific Plan group, due to its failed outreach efforts and lack of inclusiveness. We seek a restart of the Springs Specific Plan process and petition that all future community discussions and or committees include Verano/Donald Street neighborhood representation.

NAME	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE
1. Kathleen Watson	18960 Melvin Ave	Kathleen Watson
2. Alice Fellows	18880 Melvin Ave	Alice Fellows
3. Anthony Mangione	18915 Robinson Rd	Anthony Mangione
4. ROBERT LAGE	627 VERANO AVE	Robert Lage
5. James Willbourn	18871 Melvin Ave	James Willbourn
6. Dushan Medan	750 Michael Dr	Dushan Medan
7. Vince Nevins	763 Michael Drive	Vince Nevins
8. RICHARD DREW	581 MICHAEL DR	Richard Drew
9. Timothy Walsh	833 Donald St	Timothy Walsh
10. John Leigh	805 Michael Drive	John Leigh
11. Paul Rockett	781 Ernest Drive	Paul Rockett
12. STEVE CANIGUA	680 VERANO AVE	Steve Canigua
13. Dolores Silva	18979 Robinson RD	Dolores Silva
14. Stephanie Gitti D. Vite	18796 Robinson Rd	Stephanie Gitti D. Vite
15. Charlotte Woodard	560 Michael Dr. Sonoma	Charlotte Woodard
16. Leonard Woodard	501 Michael Dr. Sonoma	Leonard Woodard
17. TOM REDMAYNE	18948 LOMITA	Tom Redmayne
18. Paul Souza	807 MICHAEL DR.	Paul Souza
19. Mike White	18900 LOMITA AVE	Mike White
20. Katie White	18900 LOMITA AVE	Katie White

* Additional Signatures no. 21-260 provided upon request.

SCTA PDA Application Part 5 Narrative Springs Rural Community Investment Area

1. Introduction/Vision

An SCTA grant in the amount of \$450,000 is requested for the development of a Sonoma Springs Area Plan (the "Plan") with a broad objective to revitalize the area into a pedestrian and transit oriented mixed use corridor. Specific goals include: 1) realigning land uses to create greater mixed use and higher intensity residential development around new transportation opportunities; 2) facilitating an increase in bicycle/pedestrian paths and other alternative transportation options; and 3) evaluating automobile parking needs for residential and commercial uses, in the context of transit oriented development. A programmatic Environmental Impact Report will be prepared to analyze potential environmental impacts of the Plan and to streamline future development consistent with the Plan.

Rural Investment Area Profile

The Sonoma Springs area is a designated Rural Investment Area (RIA). The RIA includes the communities of Boyes Hot Springs, Fetters Hot Springs, El Verano, and Agua Caliente. These communities are a contiguous urbanized area located along the Scenic Highway 12 Corridor immediately northwest of the City of Sonoma. The core of these communities is served by public sewer and water, and contains a mixture of residential, office, and retail uses.

The Springs RIA area is approximately 160 acres and contains 451 housing units. Reports from the US Census Local Employment Dynamics website indicate that in 2010 there were 430 employed residents within the RIA and contained 277 jobs. The area has infill potential for up to an additional approximately 250 units through the Year 2040. With a 2% job growth rate the area could gain another 200+ jobs. The area is ethnically diverse and located within a former redevelopment area in the heart of the Sonoma Valley wine grape production area. Job opportunities in the area include retail and service sector jobs in the City of Sonoma, and agricultural and winery related jobs in the greater Sonoma Valley.

Vision

The Springs has developed over time without benefit of a cohesive planning process. The initial vision for the Plan is to create a land use model that promotes mixed use development with a variety of affordable housing opportunities, increases access to alternative transportation modes including safe pedestrian and bicycle routes, addresses automobile parking needs for residents and area visitors, and enhances the community identity of the Springs area. The Springs Area is an MTC identified "Community of Concern".

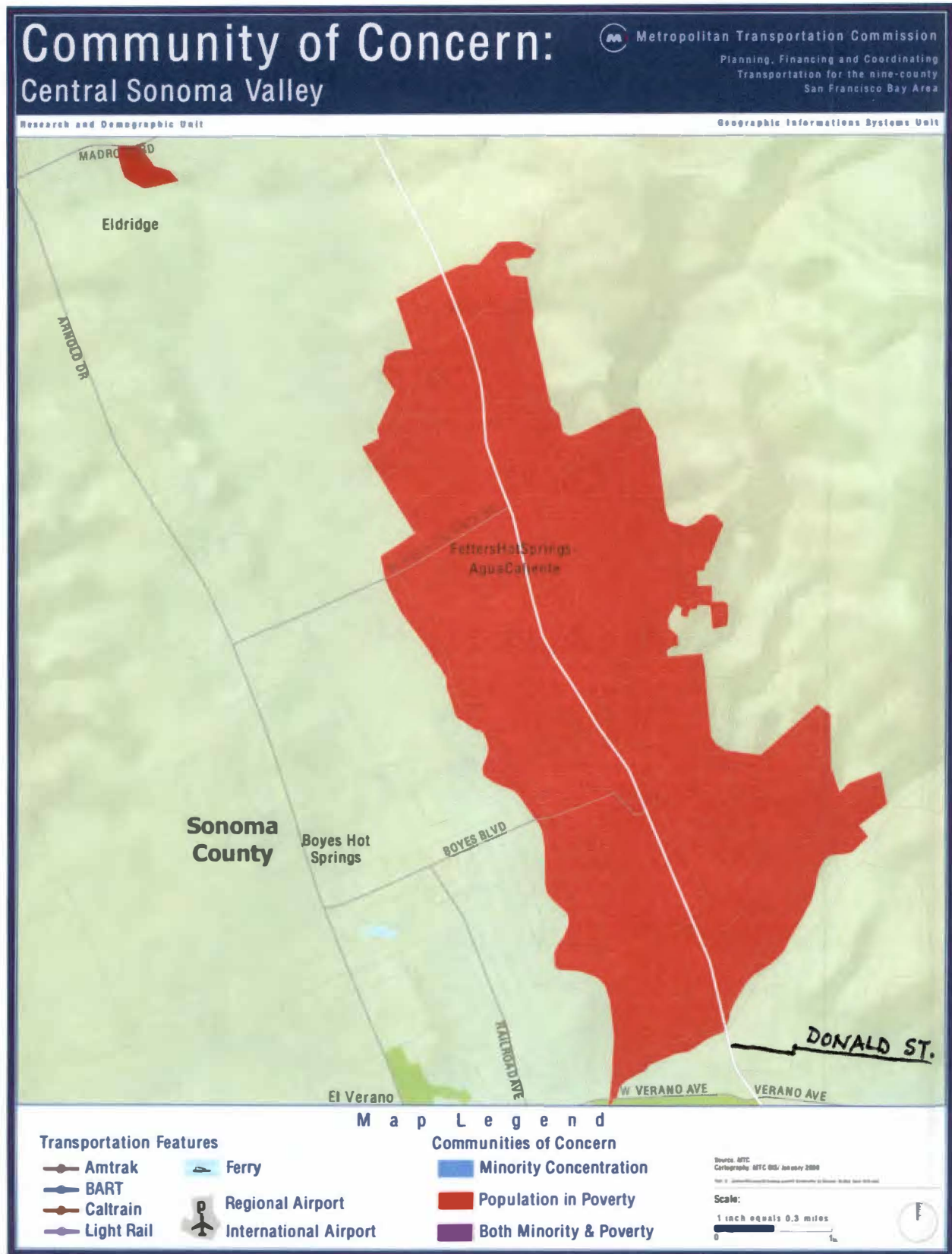
The RIA is part of the former Springs Redevelopment Area that has since been dissolved. The Plan will include an assessment of the planning goals contained within the former Redevelopment Plan. The project will include changes to land use and zoning to, at a minimum, increase residential densities and provide for a greater diversity of uses. A public engagement process will be necessary to fully define the vision and elements of the Plan.

2. Existing Policies

The goals of the Sonoma County General Plan Land Use Element align with ABAG's program to promote planning for "complete communities" that have a variety of homes, jobs, shops, services and amenities; that encourage accessibility by walking, biking, taking transit, and reducing commute times; and that improve social and economic equity.

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THE SPRINGS COMMUNITY BASED TRANSPORTATION PLAN



Sonoma County PDA Investment & Growth Strategy

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housing challenges, but also their commitment to affordability. Sebastopol has a robust set of affordability strategies; Rohnert Park, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol, and Unincorporated Sonoma County also have a wide range of policies.

All Sonoma County jurisdictions have a certified Housing Element—which is a requirement for receiving OBAG funds.

Table 1: Affordable Housing Policies by Sonoma County Jurisdiction

Jurisdiction	Housing Element Certification	Inclusionary Housing	Just Cause Eviction	Rent Control	Condo Conversion	Impact Fees	Density Bonus
Cloverdale	✓	✓					✓
Cotati	✓	✓					✓
Healdsburg	✓						✓
Petaluma	✓	✓		✓ (mobile homes)	✓	✓	✓
Rohnert Park	✓	✓		✓ (mobile homes)			✓
Santa Rosa	✓	✓		✓ (mobile homes)	✓	✓	✓
Sebastopol	✓	✓	✓	✓ (mobile homes)	✓	✓	✓
Sonoma	✓						✓
Windsor	✓	✓					✓
Unincorporated Sonoma County	✓	✓		✓ (mobile homes)		✓	✓

Other Anti-Displacement and Community Stabilization Strategies

PDA Investment and Growth Strategies are also encouraged to reflect policies that reduce displacement and increase community stabilization. Investment near transit can bring much-needed benefits to neighborhoods, but can also result in market-driven displacement of lower-income residents due to rising rents and conversion of rental units to condominiums. In addition to affordable housing policies and preservation strategies, regional agencies recognize other stabilization strategies, such as robust community involvement in planning processes—especially inclusive of low income residents and residents of color. While some PDA plans focus primarily on design and market considerations, others integrate these issues with affordable and mixed-income housing, economic opportunity, and community involvement. Current and future planning efforts provide an opportunity to add policies that will help insure that future development offers broad community benefits and does not displace existing low-income residents. These will be assessed in greater detail in a subsequent report.

Sonoma County Communities of Concern:

Communities of Concern (CoCs) have been identified as areas with special transportation needs associated with low-income, or otherwise disadvantaged communities. In Sonoma County these areas are currently defined as census tracts in which 30% or more of families have incomes between 0 - 200% of the federal poverty level (\$21,660 - \$74,020 total household income depending on family size).

Existing

Moderate

Map showing the Moderate area with various residential lots and zoning codes. The map includes streets such as Verano Ave, Maxwell Farm Regional Park, and a scale bar indicating distances up to 900 feet.

Mixed Use

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Maxwell Farms Regional Park

City of Sonoma

SCIENCE

Data Pinpoints 14 California Towns Where an Emergency Escape Could Be a Problem

By Jeremy Siegel Aug 22, 2019



Vehicle abandoned by fleeing residents of the Butte County town of Paradise during the Camp Fire in November 2018. (Josh Edelson/AFP/Getty Images)

California has the second-largest number of small communities with limited evacuation routes when compared to other states, according to a new nationwide analysis of towns with populations under 40,000.

The study, conducted by San Francisco-based traffic analytics company StreetLight Data, identified 100 communities across the country with the most limited means of escaping

disasters like wildfires and hurricanes. It found that 14 of those communities are in California, second only to Florida's 20.

The study comes on the heels of the deadliest and most destructive blaze in California history, last November's Camp Fire, which killed 86 people and put into perspective some of the challenges facing rural communities with limited escape routes.

When the fast-moving blaze swept through Paradise — a Butte County town of roughly 27,000 — on an early Thursday morning, fleeing residents ended up caught in gridlocked traffic along Skyway, the main route out of town. Many people abandoned their vehicles and fled on foot. Some were found dead in their cars.

The new analysis marks an attempt to highlight the potential for similar situations in other small towns, according to StreetLight's Chief Technical Officer Paul Friedman.

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"Transportation infrastructure, and sharing information about transportation options, is one part of the complex requirements of disaster and evacuation preparation," Friedman said. "We hope this data can be a useful support to those working in this challenging field."

In order to identify evacuation-challenged communities, StreetLight analyzed location data points from smartphones and GPS navigation devices in cars and trucks to identify trends in what routes people tend to use to exit their communities. They calculated which communities face the greatest challenges by determining what percentage of a population's daily trips take only one main exit, while also taking into account the number of alternative exits and the total population of an area, according to U.S. Census data.

What's not included in the analysis is the potential for natural disasters in a given area, according to StreetLight CEO Laura Schewel.

"This is purely the transportation data, because that's where we're really the experts, and we want to stay in our lane," she said. "What we hope is that this data can be mixed with people who have expertise about other risk factors ... and be part of the full picture of data-driven evacuation preparedness."

In essence, Schewel said, an emergency manager in a small town that's on the list could use the data from the analysis as a launching point for drawing up wildfire evacuation routes.

The following is a list of the California communities among the 100 most evacuation-limited in the country, according to StreetLight, in order:

Limited Evacuation Routes

The 14 California communities rated as having the most limited evacuation routes based on analysis on data from smartphones and GPS devices.

Community	County	Population	Routes
Coto de Caza	Orange	15,294	3
Bell Canyon	Ventura	2,049	2
Lompico	Santa Cruz	1,137	2
Ladera	San Mateo	1,426	2
Temescal Valley	Riverside	22,542	5
Knights Landing	Yolo	1,006	2
Coronado	San Diego	24,582	7
Oak Park	Ventura	13,811	4
Pine Canyon	Monterey	1,816	3
Fetters Hot Springs	Sonoma	4,099	3
Los Osos	San Luis Obispo	14,259	4
Brooktrails	Mendocino	3,251	4
Lake California	Tehama	3,054	4
Fillmore	Ventura	14,923	4

Chart: Dan Brekke/KQED • Source: StreetLight Data • Get the data • Created with Datawrapper

California's two most evacuation-constrained communities — Coto de Caza in Orange County and Bell Canyon in Ventura County — are both in the southern portion of the state and are both at-risk for wildfire: Coto de Caza is surrounded by burnable open space; Bell Canyon was hit hard by the Woolsey Fire in 2018.

The Bay Area is, for the most part, absent from the list, though that's likely due in part to the study's methodology.

StreetLight identified some small communities in the region with limited evacuation routes, including Ladera, a development adjacent to Portola Valley, near the Alpine Road exit off Interstate 280 on the edge of Silicon Valley, and Fetters Hot Springs, on Highway 12 just north of the town of Sonoma.

But because the analysis was limited to communities with populations under 40,000, larger towns and cities that may have areas with limited escape routes are missing from the list.

Oakland, for example, has some areas with the potential for both limited exit routes and high risk for fire.

During the East Bay Hills fire in October 1991, which killed 25 people, congestion was a major problem. A report on the blaze conducted by the U.S. Fire Administration found that as some roads were blocked down due to the spread of the fire, others "became clogged with cars and pedestrians." As in Paradise, some victims died after being trapped on narrow, blocked roads.

StreetLight's Schewel said the company chose to analyze only small towns because it feels those communities will benefit most from the research.

"We figured if we're going to put a bunch of information on the internet for free, the small towns who don't have the resources to do their own studies might get the most benefit out of that type of exercise," she said.

Schewel said this type of analysis could be conducted for a larger population center like Oakland, but in that case, it might be more helpful to analyze the area in smaller sections.

It's also important to note, Schewel said, that there's no silver bullet for evacuation planning.

"Data-driven planning is important, but we want to be very clear that this is not a magical robot that tells evacuation professionals what to do," she said. "It's — we hope — a helpful extra tool in the toolkit."

APPENDIX G: WATER SUPPLY ASSESSMENT

A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Water Supply Assessment (WSA) will provide information for use in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) analysis for the proposed Springs Specific Plan (Specific Plan). The requirements for the WSA are described in the California Water Code Sections 10910 through 10915, amended by the enactment of Senate Bill 610 (SB 610) in 2002. SB 610 requires an assessment of whether available water supplies are sufficient to serve the demand generated by the new projects, as well as the reasonably foreseeable cumulative demand during normal year, single dry year, and multiple dry year conditions over the next 20 years.

This WSA builds on previous water demand projections created as part of the 2015 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP) Water Demand Analysis and Water Conservation Measures Update worked on in conjunction with the eight other Sonoma-Marin Saving Water Partnership (SMSWP) Water Contractors and completed in July 2015. The projected demands with active and passive conservation savings from the SMSWP study were approved by Valley of the Moon Water District (the District) and presented in the 2015 UWMP submitted by the District in June 2016, after approval by its Board of Directors on June 7th. The supply information contained herein is based on the 2015 UWMP.¹

¹ ~~However, while~~ While the foregoing is accurate, the circumstances of the District's water supply have changed in 2019. The District lost its emergency water supply from the Sonoma Development Center (SDC). The use was authorized by the SWRCB on July 3, 2002 for fire or facility failure. The agreement with the Center SDC was in place by December 2002 and existed until September 2019 when the State's General Services Department decided to close the SDC water treatment plant at the Center eliminating that supply. Without that water in the absence of that supply, the District only has can produce only 450 gallons per minute (gpm) through its local supply sources, which is insufficient to pressurize its system and fill its tanks, in the event the Sonoma Aqueduct (Aqueduct) is damaged and Sonoma Water deliveries to the District are curtailed, which is not enough water to pressurize its system and fill its tanks if the Sonoma Aqueduct is damaged and cannot deliver water. The District's immediately available emergency water supply position may have been further eroded/reduced in October/November/Fall 2019 when it had to cease the use of one of its well/s well, providing that was 20% of the its local supply, was taken out of service due to damage. The District will be video the well in December 2019/evaluating the well in Winter 2019/Spring 2020 to determine if the well can be repaired, and if so, how long, if repaired, the well can reasonably remain in production.

The District is diligently acting to develop alternative local sources of water. Without the Spring Specific Plan (SSP), the District requires over 800 gpm to just provide drinking water and basic sanitation. Further, based on the tests from the SCWA reflected/described at page 48 in the 2015 UWMP at page 48, the District needs over-requires in excess of 1700 gpm to have a survivable level of water including basic fire flow. Given the conservation achieved by District residents achieved since 2015, the District is comfortable in stating that for current customers 1500 gpm will be required to provide service adequate for human health, sanitation, and fire flow - if service through the Aqueduct is interrupted for any significant time. If the District's damaged well can be used for several more years, then the addition of another 400 gpm of new local water over the District's total current wells' production would allow current customers to have drinking water and sanitation with no outside use and little or no fire flow.

Additionally, the Plan SSP will impact water service to the existing homes along the crest of the hills above it, the top of the District's Zone 1. Currently, these homes all currently have lower service pressure and available fire flow than that provided in other Zones and the balance of Zone 1. Allowing building along the route of as proposed in the SSP Plan, e.g. on Verano Ave, before in advance of the District

The Springs Project is contained entirely within the service area of the District, which is located in the southeastern portion of Sonoma County, immediately north of the City of Sonoma. The WSA is based on the requirement of the Springs Project of approximately 209 acre-feet per year (AFY) of additional water demand. This project includes several land use and connection types as summarized below.

The 15 new neighborhood commercial connections include 8 new dwelling units and a net increase of 53,390 non-residential sq. ft. of development yielding approximately 17 AFY of additional demand.

The 82 new commercial connections include 120 hotel rooms and 72,245 new non-residential sq. ft. of development for an approximate net increase in demand of 39 AFY.

The 6 new commercial irrigation connections yield approximately 9 AFY of additional demand.

The 50 new mixed-use connections include 138 new dwelling units and a net increase of 123,621 non-residential sq. ft. of development yielding approximately 50 AFY of additional demand.

The 3 mixed-use irrigation connections will yield approximately 5 AFY of additional demand.

The 3 new recreational connections include a reduction of 3 dwelling units and a net increase of 26,648 sq. ft. of recreational use yielding approximately 9 AFY of additional demand.

The 131 medium density residential connections include 119 single family and 113 multifamily dwelling units for an additional demand of approximately 45 AFY.

The 31 high density residential connections include 310 new multifamily dwelling units yielding approximately 35 AFY of additional demand.

has putting a tank at the top of that Zone 1 into operation, its bill will directly impact these customers' daily service and further reduce the already limited available fire flow.

Some of the foregoing requires immediate action, some can be managed over time.

As a result of these supply, storage, pressure, and fire flow issues, the District may be restricted in its future ability to sign-off on issue "will serve" letters for the impacted areas, that including the Springs Specific Plan SSP area. This caution and restriction These conditions will affect service and future issuance of will serve letters be in place until the District has secured and placed into operation additional in place local water sources for emergency service, and strategically placed storage at the top of Zone 1 to improve critical pressure and fire flow issues in the Plan SSP area.

The District appreciates the County's assistance and would greatly appreciate looks forward to the County's further direct assistance - in developing additional local sources of water to meet District emergency demands; and the need for development of a tank storage at the top of the eastern hills [Zone 1] to deliver and maintain adequate pressure and fire flow for customers in that area - as buildings are added within the Plan's area around the base of the eastern hill shift. With those changes in place the With the proposed infrastructure improvements in place, District would then have be in position to provide adequate regular normal service and emergency service water to support the Plan SSP, and pressures to maintain service pressure and fire flows to existing Zone 1 customers and the SSP.



CAL FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONES in
State Responsibility Area (SRA)



- Moderate



- High



- (Dead) End of Michael Drive (it does not continue)



-(Dead) End of Donald



-Proposed high density housing



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Presenter:

Dave Vautin

Recommended Action:

Information

Attachments:

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Policy Advisory Council**

February 12, 2020

Agenda Item 10

Plan Bay Area 2050: Draft Blueprint – Strategies

Subject: Proposed strategies for integration into the Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint, which will be analyzed further this winter with findings to be released in spring 2020 for further public feedback and policymaker refinement.

Background: Policy Advisory Council Agenda Item 10, Plan Bay Area 2050: Draft Blueprint – Strategies is attached. This report will be presented to the Joint MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Committee on February 14, 2020.

Staff will be at your February 12 meeting to discuss this report. The Council's input is requested.

Attachments: Agenda Item 5b from the February 14, 2020 Joint MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Committee meeting

Metropolitan Transportation Commission and the Association of Bay Area Governments Joint MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Committee

February 14, 2020

Agenda Item 5b

Plan Bay Area 2050: Draft Blueprint – Strategies

- Subject:** Approval of proposed strategies for integration into the Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint, which will be analyzed further this winter with findings to be released in spring 2020 for further public feedback and policymaker refinement.
- Background:** Building upon the evaluation of strategies and investments from the predecessor Horizon initiative, the upcoming phase of Plan Bay Area 2050 will involve analyzing a Draft Blueprint, comprised of key strategies for transportation, housing, the economy, and the environment. The strategies analyzed should align with the overall vision for Plan Bay Area 2050 to create a *more affordable, connected, diverse, healthy, and vibrant Bay Area for all*.
- Over the course of the fall, staff held public outreach events that attracted thousands of Bay Area residents, engaged with thousands more online through the *Mayor of Bayville* tool, and conducted strategy workshops with a diverse range of stakeholders on each topic area of the Draft Blueprint. The Commission and Executive Board also held a workshop to discuss critical questions related to Blueprint strategies; feedback from these engagement activities has been integrated into this proposed path forward.
- Issues:** Plan Bay Area 2050 must meet a range of federal and state requirements. First, the Plan must be **fiscally constrained**, which means that strategies and investments included must be possible to fund using reasonably-anticipated monies. Second, under Senate Bill 375, the Plan must meet or exceed a recently-increased **greenhouse gas emissions reduction** target. Third, the Plan must **accommodate housing growth at all income levels**, with the parallel Regional Housing Need Allocation (RHNA) process being consistent with the ultimate Plan growth pattern. Failure to achieve any of these requirements could result in the Plan not being approved by federal or state agencies, which would lead to transportation funding consequences for the Bay Area.
- Recommended Strategies:** Staff recommend further analysis of 25 strategies, clustered under nine themes, as part of the Draft Blueprint; additional details are provided in **Attachment B**.
1. **Maintain and Optimize Existing Infrastructure.** Continue the region’s “Fix It First” policy, while optimizing the region’s transit systems through fare integration and seamless payments and advancing means-based pricing on select freeways to reduce emissions and traffic congestion.
 2. **Create Healthy and Safe Streets.** Upgrade local streets to complete streets with safe pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure to encourage more non-motorized trips, while reducing speed limits to advance Vision Zero across the Bay Area.
 3. **Enhance Regional and Local Transit.** Within fiscal constraints, advance highly-resilient transit projects identified in the Horizon Project Performance Assessment, as well as a New Transbay Rail Crossing identified as the highest-performing rail expansion line (*only included in one version of Blueprint*).
 4. **Spur Housing Production and Create Inclusive Communities.** Allow a greater mix of housing types and densities in Priority Development Areas, Transit-Rich Areas and High-Resource Areas, while reducing barriers for new development and transforming aging malls, office parks, and underutilized public land.

5. **Protect, Preserve, and Produce More Affordable Housing.** Directly fund protection, preservation, and production of new deed-restricted affordable housing units, while simultaneously increasing inclusionary zoning requirements and further strengthening renter protections.
6. **Improve Economic Mobility.** Support strategies to enable a growing middle class, including childcare subsidies for low-income families, incubator programs in economically-distressed communities, and protections for existing industrial lands that serve as key middle-wage job centers.
7. **Shift the Location of Jobs.** Use a combination of zoning and fees to tackle the region's jobs-housing imbalance, encouraging more job growth in housing-rich and transit-rich places (in coordination with housing strategies to shift housing production to job-rich locations).
8. **Reduce Risks from Hazards.** Adapt the vast majority of the Bay Area's shoreline to sea level to protect existing communities and infrastructure, while providing means-based financial support to retrofit aging homes.
9. **Reduce Environmental Impacts.** Maintain the region's existing urban growth boundaries through 2050, while simultaneously partnering with public and non-profit entities to protect high-value conservation lands. Further expand the Climate Initiatives Program to drive down greenhouse gas emissions.

Other important strategies, including those related to express lanes, express buses, and commuter rail systems, require further refinement with collaboration with partner agencies this winter. Based on agency commitments to scope refinements, complementary strategies, and funding commitments, additional strategies can be integrated into the Final Blueprint this spring.

In addition to advancing the Guiding Principles of Plan Bay Area 2050, the strategies above have been refined with expanded equity provisions in recent months:

- **Transportation:** Fare integration would yield significant benefits for lower-income transit riders, while means-based tolls would be capped for lower-income residents to ensure that everyone has access to opportunities across the Bay Area.
- **Housing and Economy:** Integration of High-Resource Areas, paired with prioritization of affordable housing investments in these locations, will work to combat exclusion and racial inequities across the region, while economic strategies will work to shift job growth closer to Communities of Concern.
- **Environment:** Regional mitigations and funding for sea level rise would be prioritized first for Communities of Concern, and a greater share of home retrofit funding would be provided for lower-income households to make sure benefits accrue to all income levels.

Staff are requesting that the Commission and Executive Board provide direction on the strategies for further analysis in the Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint, while recognizing that there is an opportunity for further refinement to these strategies this spring and summer prior to the Final Blueprint phase. Staff will analyze the package of Draft Blueprint strategies and report back on forecasted outcomes in late spring.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Presentation

Attachment B: Draft Blueprint – Strategy Descriptions



Therese W. McMillan



PLAN BAY AREA 2050

Draft Blueprint: Strategies

Seeking Direction on Strategies to Study

February 14, 2020

MTC Planning & ABAG Administrative Committees

What are the critical action items are being considered by MTC and ABAG this month?

1



Adopt new **Priority Conservation Areas**, **Priority Development Areas**, and **Priority Production Areas** *(ABAG Action Only)*

2



Approve **Growth Geographies** for Analysis in the Draft Blueprint *(MTC/ABAG Action)*

3



Approve **Strategies** for Analysis in the Draft Blueprint *(MTC/ABAG Action)*

Refresher: Key Statutory Requirements

While Plan Bay Area 2050 must meet many statutory requirements, these three are among the most critical:



Fiscal Constraint

Under federal transportation planning regulations, the Plan must rely upon reasonably-expected revenues

Impact if Not Met: federal and state agencies will reject the Plan's approval, triggering a conformity lapse



Greenhouse Gas Reduction

Under Senate Bill 375, Plan Bay Area 2050 must meet or exceed a recently-enhanced 19 percent per-capita GHG reduction target for light-duty vehicles by 2035.

Impact if Not Met: region ineligible for select SB 1 funding



Housing at All Income Levels

Under Senate Bill 375, Plan Bay Area 2050 plan for sufficient housing for all income levels; RHNA must advance fair housing and ultimately be consistent with the Plan.

Impact if Not Met: HCD may not approve RHNA

Refresher: What is a strategy in the context of Plan Bay Area 2050?

What do we mean by “strategy”?

A strategy is either a **public policy or set of investments that can be implemented** in the Bay Area over the next 30 years; a strategy is **not a near-term action or legislative proposal**.

Who would implement these strategies?

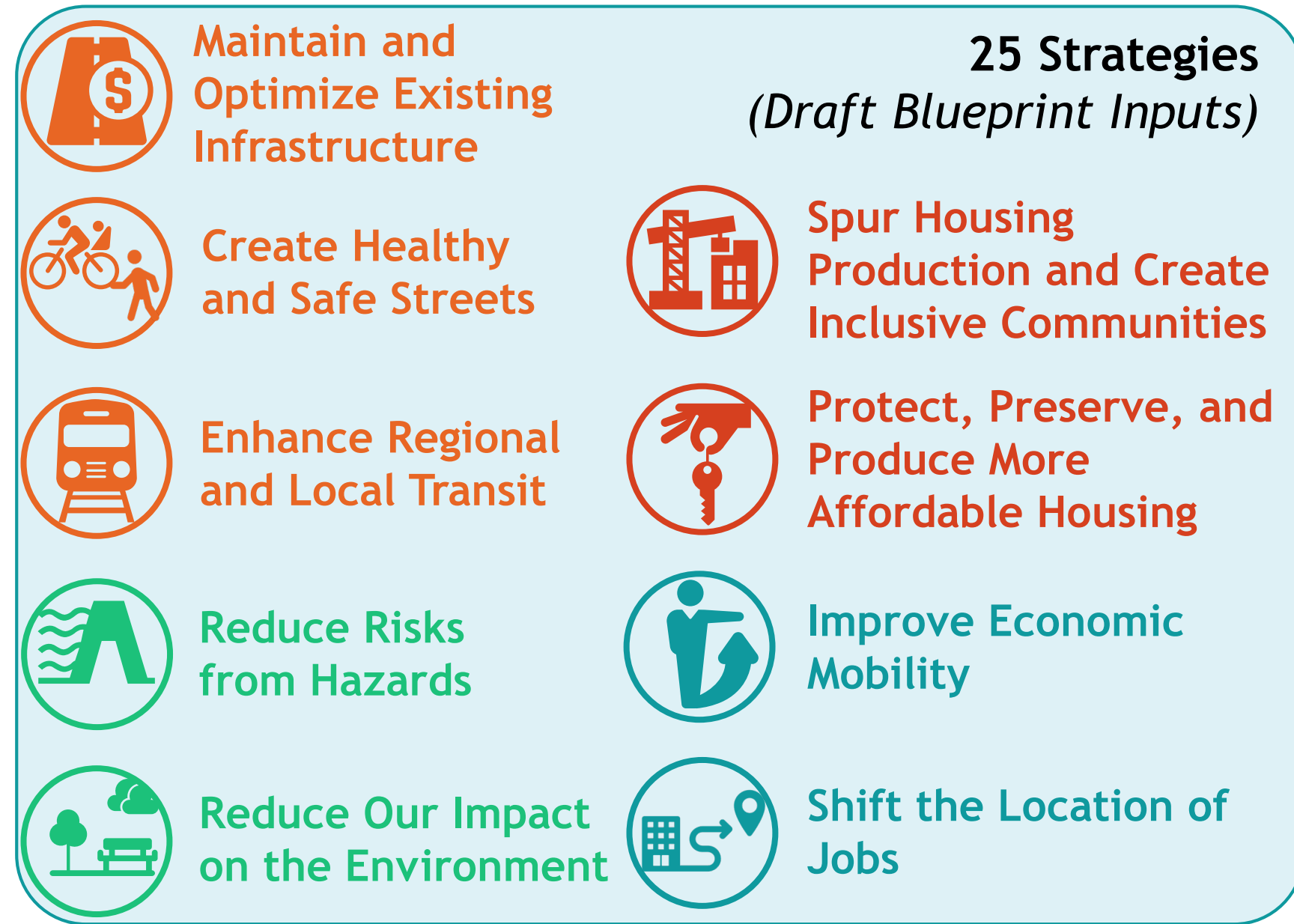
Strategies in Plan Bay Area 2050 can be implemented at the **local, regional, or state levels**. Specific implementation actions and the role for MTC/ABAG will be identified through a collaborative process for the Implementation Plan in late 2020.

How many strategies can we include in the Blueprint?

Plan Bay Area 2050 must be **fiscally constrained**, meaning that not every strategy can be integrated into the Plan given finite revenues available.



Draft Blueprint: 9 Themes + 25 Bold Strategies



The meeting packet includes more detail on each **individual strategy**, including public and stakeholder feedback in recent months.

Today's presentation will focus on how **transportation, housing, environmental, and economic strategies work together** to support progress on each Guiding Principle:



Bold Strategies for a More Affordable Bay Area



Reduce the region's extreme cost of living by enabling over a million new homes near public transit

Strategies include:

- Allow a Greater Mix of Housing Types and Densities in Growth Areas
- Reduce Barriers to Housing Near Transit and in Areas of High Opportunity

Draft Blueprint: Strategies



Produce and preserve much-needed affordable housing through public, non-profit, and private sector action

Strategies include:

- Fund Affordable Housing Protection, Preservation, and Production
- Require 10 to 20 Percent of New Housing to be Affordable



Provide robust discounts for low-income residents both for tolls and transit fares

Strategies include:

- Reform Regional Transit Fare Policy
- Implement Per-Mile Tolling on Congested Freeways with Transit Alternatives

Bold Strategies for a More Connected Bay Area



Create a world-class public transportation system, emphasizing maintenance and ridership as critical twin goals

Strategies include:

- Operate and Maintain the Existing System
- Advance Low-Cost Transit Projects
- Build a New Transbay Crossing



Standardize transit fares across the region and advance seamless mobility through unified trip planning & payment

Strategies include:

- Reform Regional Fare Policy
- Enable Seamless Mobility with Unified Trip Planning and Fare Payments



Permanently reduce traffic congestion through a proven approach of pricing select corridors

Strategies include:

- Implement Per-Mile Tolling on Congested Freeways with Transit Alternatives

Bold Strategies for a More Diverse Bay Area



Protect renters from being displaced to the region's periphery and beyond

Strategies include:

- Further Strengthen Renter Protections Beyond State Legislation



Tackle racial inequities by enabling more housing in historically-exclusionary places

Strategies include:

- Allow a Greater Mix of Housing Types and Densities in Growth Areas
- Reduce Barriers to Housing Near Transit and in Areas of High Opportunity



Create opportunities to grow the middle class through business incubators and childcare programs

Strategies include:

- Expand Childcare Support for Low-Income Families
- Create Incubator Programs in Economically-Challenged Areas

Bold Strategies for a More Healthy Bay Area



Eliminate traffic deaths by making streets safer for all roadway users

Strategies include:

- Advance Regional Vision Zero Policy through Street Design and Reduced Speeds
- Build a Complete Streets Network



Protect tens of thousands of Bay Area homes from rising sea levels and from potential earthquake damage

Strategies include:

- Adapt to Sea Level Rise
- Modernize Existing Building with Seismic, Wildfire, Drought, and Energy Retrofits



Ensure the region's greenbelt remains protected for future generations

Strategies include:

- Maintain Urban Growth Boundaries
- Protect High-Value Conservation Lands

Bold Strategies for a More Vibrant Bay Area



Encourage more job growth in housing-rich areas through strategic regional impact fees

Strategies include:

- Assess Transportation Impact Fees on New Office Developments
- Assess Jobs-Housing Imbalance Fees on New Office Developments



Preserve critical industrial lands and work to catalyze job growth in these locations

Strategies include:

- Retain Key Industrial Lands through Establishment of Priority Production Areas
- Create Incubator Programs in Economically-Challenged Areas



Convert aging 20th century malls and office parks into vibrant mixed-use destinations for the 21st century

Strategies include:

- Transform Aging Malls and Office Parks into Neighborhoods

Advancing Equity with Bold Strategies



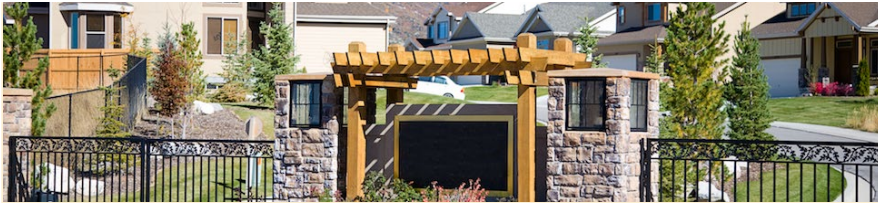
As a cross-cutting issue for Plan Bay Area 2050, staff has worked to weave equity into every single strategy for the Draft Blueprint. Highlights include:



Consistent regional means-based discounts for fares and tolls



Service frequency increases in both high-ridership corridors & in currently-underserved PDAs



Emphasis on growth in High-Resource Areas to address the legacy of race-based exclusion



Prioritization of retrofit assistance and sea level rise infrastructure in lower-income communities



Incubator programs and childcare support designed to enable greater economic mobility

Importantly: we will explore three versions of the Draft Blueprint.



Plan Bay Area 2050 **Blueprint Basic**

Includes available revenues from Needs & Revenue assessments, but does not include New Revenues from future regional measures

This approach will provide more flexibility over the next year, should the MTC/ABAG boards wish to integrate new revenues to create a more aspirational Plan.

Any option could be adopted as the Preferred Alternative in 2020 or 2021.



Plan Bay Area 2050 **Blueprint Plus**

Includes available revenues from Needs & Revenue assessments + additional New Revenues distributed to one or more topic areas of the Plan

Two variants of Blueprint Plus:



Plan Bay Area 2050 **Blueprint Plus Crossing**

Focus greater share of transportation funding towards Transbay Rail Crossing



Plan Bay Area 2050 **Blueprint Plus Fix It First**

Focus greater share of transportation funding towards system maintenance

Draft Blueprint: What's Next?

Today

25 Strategies (Draft Blueprint Inputs)



Modeling
& Analysis
(Winter)

Growth Pattern,
Performance
Outcomes, etc.
(Draft Blueprint
Outputs)



Maintain and
Optimize Existing
Infrastructure



Create Healthy
and Safe Streets



Enhance Regional
and Local Transit



Reduce Risks
from Hazards



Reduce Our Impact
on the Environment



Spur Housing
Production and Create
Inclusive Communities



Protect, Preserve, and
Produce More
Affordable Housing



Improve Economic
Mobility



Shift the Location of
Jobs

Final Blueprint: What Remains to Be Done?



Will there be a chance to make refinements to strategies later in the planning process?

Yes, this would occur during the **Final Blueprint** phase. Staff will report back on outcomes from the Draft Blueprint strategies this spring, and both MTC and ABAG will have a chance to identify revisions through *summer 2020*.



What about strategies and individual projects not included in the Draft Blueprint?

Some projects and strategies were not yet ready for inclusion in the Draft Blueprint. CTAs, transit agencies, and MTC/ABAG are collaborating this winter and will return to MTC/ABAG by spring. *This includes Express Lanes, Express Buses, and Rail Extensions.*



What happens if the Draft Blueprint does not meet all of the statutory requirements?

Additional tradeoff discussions would be needed. The boards may have to expediently decide what strategies should be modified prior to the Final Blueprint.



Requested Action:

Direct staff to test the proposed strategies for the Draft Blueprint to see how close we are to meeting critical regional goals.



Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint: Strategy Descriptions

The Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint includes four elements: Transportation, Housing, the Economy, and the Environment. Within each, there are strategies, defined as policies or bundles of investments, clustered under nine categories. All versions of the Blueprint will be fiscally-constrained, meaning that some strategies cannot be included in Blueprint Basic.

Transportation: Maintain and Optimize the Existing System

- **Operate and Maintain the Existing System**
 - **Description:** Commit to operate and maintain the Bay Area's roads and transit infrastructure, while ensuring that all Priority Development Areas have sufficient transit service levels. This strategy would emphasize achieving state of good repair for transit assets to advance equity goals. Due to the greater financial capacity in Blueprint Plus (Fix It First), this variant of the Blueprint is able to explore achieving full state of good repair for all asset categories.
 - **Blueprint Basic:** Fully maintain existing levels of transit service, transit asset condition, and local street/highway asset condition. **Funding: \$392 billion**
 - **Blueprint Plus (Crossing):** Fully maintain existing levels of transit service, transit asset condition, and local street/highway asset condition. **Funding: \$392 billion**
 - **Blueprint Plus (Fix It First):** Improve transportation asset conditions beyond today's levels, reaching a full state of good repair for transit and road assets. **Funding: \$423 billion**
 - **Horizon Analysis:** While existing system operations and maintenance were not evaluated in Project Performance Assessment for Plan Bay Area 2050, asset condition for road and transit assets was evaluated in Project Performance Assessment for Plan Bay Area 2040. Maintaining existing conditions for both road and transit assets proved to be among the most cost-effective projects of all projects evaluated. Achieving a full state of good repair was also cost-effective, though benefits were lessened due to diminishing returns.
 - **Public Feedback:** Operating and maintaining the existing system received predominantly positive feedback during the Pop-Ups, with 96 percent of comments in favor of the strategy. Commenters advocated for increased investment in state of good repair for road and transit assets, as well as increases to existing transit service hours to reduce headways. As one commenter said, "this strategy seems like a must-do."
 - **Stakeholder Feedback:** Stakeholders at recent Regional Advisory Working Group (RAWG) and Regional Equity Working Group (REWG) workshops also emphasized the essential nature of this strategy. Several stakeholders advised that funding above what was required to maintain the existing system should be directed toward achieving a state of good repair for transit capital assets. As bus transit tends to have the lowest average rider income, it was suggested that achieving a state of good repair for bus assets could be a way to advance equity goals. Additionally,

- stakeholders suggested working with transit operators to roll out ZEV buses on routes serving Communities of Concern first as a way to improve air quality and mitigate adverse health outcomes associated with air pollution.
- **Enable Seamless Mobility with Unified Trip Planning and Fare Payments**
 - **Description:** Develop a unified platform for trip planning and fare payment to enable more seamless journeys. This strategy envisions a platform, accessible via smartphone, that allows users to see all of their transportation options - transit, shared bike, scooter, or car, ridehail, etc. - and pay for them from one account.
Funding: \$0.1 billion
 - **Horizon Analysis:** This strategy was not modeled for as part of Horizon, though several case studies of similar programs in Europe were summarized to further the understanding of potential impacts of Mobility as a Service in the Futures Final Report. The case studies found slightly reduced auto ownership and usage rates in program participants. Given the low cost of the strategy and the potential benefits, the strategy was recommended to advance.
 - **Public Feedback:** The strategy was popular with the public, with 96 percent of all comments in favor.
 - **Stakeholder Feedback:** This strategy received positive feedback from stakeholders, some of whom identified this strategy as likely to be provided by the private market and others of whom expressed a preference for having a public agency lead the endeavor. Stakeholders affirmed MTC's stance that implementation of this strategy would need to include venues for loading value to the e-wallet in cash so as to not deny service to residents without a bank card.
 - **Reform Regional Transit Fare Policy**
 - **Description:** Streamline fare payment and replace existing operator-specific discounted fare programs with an integrated fare structure across all transit operators. The regional integrated fare structure would consist of a flat local fare with free transfers across operators and a distance or zone-based fare for regional trips, with discounts for youth, people with disabilities, and very low-income people.
Funding: revenue-neutral due to incentivized growth in transit trips; \$10 billion for means-based fare discount
 - **Horizon Analysis:** Horizon evaluated the effects of providing free transit to lower-income riders through Futures and found that, while successful in reducing transportation costs for lower-income households, the region's transit infrastructure does not have the capacity to meet the induced demand from such a program. As such, this strategy represents a pivot toward a different mechanism for reducing transportation costs: transit fare integration. MTC analyzed transit fare integration through Project Performance Assessment. The project was one of the highest performers in terms of equity impacts and cost-effectiveness. Implementing an integrated transit fare made transit considerably more attractive, increasing transit ridership substantially.
 - **Public Feedback:** As this strategy was not a Horizon strategy, but rather elevated from Project Performance Assessment, it was not showcased in pop-up workshops with the public in fall 2019.
 - **Stakeholder Feedback:** Stakeholders at the REWG workshop expressed an interest in pursuing transit fare integration over means-based fare discounts as a way to reduce the share of household income spent on transit, identifying transfer costs as the primary issue with transit affordability. RAWG workshop participants also expressed

support for the strategy, though several raised concerns over adverse financial impacts on transit operators due to potential decreased fare revenues or increased operational costs. RAWG participants mentioned integrated systems planning across operators as a complementary future action.

- **Implement Per-Mile Tolling on Congested Freeways with Transit Alternatives**
 - **Description:** Apply a per-mile charge on auto travel on select highly-congested freeway corridors where transit alternatives exist, reinvesting revenue raised in improving transit alternatives on the corridor. Drivers on priced corridors would pay a 15 cent per mile charge during the peak period, with discounts to 5 cents per mile for off-peak travel or carpools with three or more occupants. Express Lanes and toll bridges would continue to operate. **Funding: \$1 billion; revenue: generates an estimated \$25 billion over Plan period**
 - **Horizon Analysis:** Through Horizon, a per-mile tolling program on all freeways in the region was studied as part of the complete package of Horizon strategies. Together, the Horizon strategies were successful at reducing congestion, though peak period congestion did continue to be a problem on many corridors, particularly in Back to the Future. Average commute time decreased slightly, as did auto mode share.
 - **Public Feedback:** As this strategy was flagged for further refinement after the completion of the Horizon initiative, it was not showcased in pop-up workshops with the public in fall 2019.
 - **Stakeholder Feedback:** Stakeholders emphasized the essential nature of reinvesting revenues on the tolled corridor so that paying drivers see benefits from their toll dollars. This includes reinvesting revenues in improving transit alternatives as well as amenities for drivers and carpoolers, including improvements to freeway pavement conditions.

Transportation: Create Healthy and Safe Streets

- **Build a Complete Streets Network**
 - **Description:** Enhance streets to promote walking, biking, and other micromobility through sidewalk improvements and 7,000 miles of bike lanes or multi-use paths. This strategy would emphasize Complete Streets improvements near transit to improve access and in Communities of Concern to advance equity outcomes. Investments could also go toward amenities like secure bike parking at rail stations, improved lighting, and safer intersections. **Funding: \$7 billion**
 - **Horizon Analysis:** An earlier version of this strategy that focused exclusively on bike infrastructure resulted in a three percentage point increase in cycling commute mode share by 2050. Transit and auto mode share both declined in about equal proportions when compared to the status quo Futures Round 1 scenario. The project was also evaluated through Project Performance Assessment, where it had a benefit/cost ratio above 1 in all three futures. Additionally, the project was found to advance equity, with lower-income residents receiving a greater share of accessibility benefits. These findings suggest that a micromobility network is highly resilient to future uncertainty.
 - **Public Feedback:** Feedback from the community further supported the Horizon analysis. In Pop-Up Outreach, it received mostly positive feedback, with 88 percent of commenters approving. The strategy was the most commonly selected choice for digital engagement participants, with 73 percent of participants selecting expanded infrastructure as their preferred way to increase rates of active transportation.

- **Stakeholder Feedback:** The primary piece of feedback received during the RAWG and REWG workshops was to increase the strategy's emphasis on pedestrian safety and comfort, with participants finding earlier iterations of the strategy too focused on infrastructure that supports cycling. Additionally, in the implementation of this strategy, stakeholders suggested concentrating Complete Streets investments in Communities of Concern and near transit to improve station access.
- **Advance Regional Vision Zero Policy through Street Design and Reduced Speeds**
 - **Description:** Reduce speed limits to 25 to 35 miles per hour on local streets and 55 miles per hour on freeways, enforcing speeds using design elements on local streets and automated speed enforcement on freeways. Revenues generated from violation fines would be reinvested in safety initiatives, including education and street design interventions. **Funding: \$1 billion**
 - **Horizon Analysis:** An earlier iteration of this strategy that limited speed limits on local streets in areas designated for growth to 25 mph and all freeways to 55 mph resulted in 70 to 200 fewer fatalities and 180 to 500 fewer serious injuries per year in 2050. For comparison, 400 fatalities and 1,900 serious injuries occurred in the Bay Area in 2016.
 - **Public Feedback:** This was one of the least popular strategies among members of the public. In online engagement, the strategy was selected by 5 percent of respondents as a way to promote active transportation, receiving slightly fewer votes than doing nothing at all. The strategy was bundled with other investments in active transportation infrastructure for Pop-Up outreach, making it difficult to tease out public support in that forum.
 - **Stakeholder Feedback:** Stakeholders recognized enforcement and equity as two key challenges to successful implementation of this strategy. Stakeholders identified design elements like speed bumps and reduced lane widths as key tools in enforcing speed limits in a cost-effective way. On arterials and freeways, automated speed enforcement (ASE) was identified as the most cost-effective solution. Furthermore, research has shown that ASE reduces the rate of racial disparities in ticketing, addressing a key equity concern.

Transportation: Enhance Regional and Local Transit

- **Advance Low-Cost Transit Projects**
 - **Description:** Complete a limited set of transit projects that performed well in multiple futures and require limited regional dollars to reach fully-funded status. Projects within this strategy had no equity challenges or Guiding Principle flags and had cost-benefit ratios that were above 0.5 at minimum across all Futures. Projects in this category tend to be lower cost projects serving established transit service areas, and include urban bus frequency boosts, BRT enhancements, and ferry projects¹. **Funding: \$20 billion**
 - **Horizon Analysis:** Project Performance Assessment found that many transit projects struggled to perform well in terms of cost-effectiveness and equity in one or more futures. The projects that did demonstrate resilience across futures tended to be

¹ Projects include: BART Core Capacity, BART to Silicon Valley Phase 2, Irvington BART, San Francisco Southeast Waterfront Transportation Improvements, Muni Forward, San Pablo BRT, Alameda Point Transit Network, AC Transit Local Service Frequency Increase, E 14th/Mission BRT, and Treasure Island Congestion Pricing. Additional projects will be added during the Final Blueprint phase.

- lower-cost urban bus, BRT, or ferry projects. Many of these projects also performed well in Plan Bay Area 2040.
- **Public Feedback:** This specific strategy was developed based on findings from Horizon; as such, it was not evaluated during the final round of Horizon public engagement. However, members of the public did support transit projects, including BRT and transit modernization projects.
 - **Stakeholder Feedback:** REWG participants acknowledged that the bus and BRT projects evaluated through Horizon would directly serve Communities of Concern and provided minimal feedback on ways to alter the strategy. This strategy was not presented at the RAWG workshop, though RAWG members expressed a preference for transit modernization and frequency boost projects in an exercise designed to inform the investment strategy.
 - ***Build a New Transbay Rail Crossing***
 - **Description:** Increase Transbay rail capacity between San Francisco and Oakland, while providing benefits for travelers across the Bay Area, through a first phase Crossing project that includes a new Transbay tunnel and new stations in the Market Street/South of Market/Mission Bay area of San Francisco and in Alameda/Central Oakland area of the East Bay. Future phases not included in the Plan Bay Area 2050 may extend rail improvements to other parts of the Bay Area and to the broader Northern California megaregion. This strategy would only be included in Blueprint Plus (Crossing), when sufficient revenues are available for the investment. **Funding: \$50 billion**
 - **Horizon Analysis:** Several Transbay rail crossings were evaluated through the Crossings Perspective Paper and Project Performance Assessment. Two BART crossings and a conventional rail crossing performed well, with benefit-cost ratios at or above 1 in two futures and no equity challenges. Overall, it was rare for a project with such high costs to have the benefits outweigh the costs in Project Performance.
 - **Public Feedback:** This strategy was bundled with other transit modernization and expansion strategies during pop-up outreach. Feedback for transit projects was mostly positive, with 96 percent of comments skewing positive. This strategy was not included in the digital engagement effort.
 - **Stakeholder Feedback:** In an exercise designed to inform the Plan Bay Area investment strategy, RAWG participants tended to include a new Transbay rail crossing only when additional revenues were available (Blueprint Plus). REWG participants did not comment on this strategy.

Housing: Spur Housing Production and Create Inclusive Communities

- ***Allow a Greater Mix of Housing Densities and Types in Growth Geographies***
 - **Description:** Allow a variety of housing types at a range of densities to be built in Growth Geographies - the areas prioritized for new homes and jobs in the Blueprint. The staff recommendation for Growth Geographies, as discussed in a complementary agenda item, includes locally-designated Priority Development Areas (PDAs) and a suite of potential regionally-identified growth areas:
 - All areas within 10 minutes' walk (approximately ½ mile) from high-frequency regional rail stations (BART and Caltrain Baby Bullet stations)
 - *For cities and towns that have designated less than 50 percent of PDA-eligible areas within their boundaries:* Transit-Rich Areas (TRAs) within 10 minutes'

walk (approximately ½ mile) of a rail station, ferry terminal, or bus stop served by a route that arrives every 15 minutes or less during commute hours

- *For cities and towns that have designated less than 50 percent of PDA-eligible areas within their boundaries:* High-Resource Areas (HRAs; defined by the State of California) within 5 minutes' walk of a bus stop that arrives every 30 minutes or less during commute hours

Because the places across the region that meet these criteria vary significantly, specific densities and housing types will be based upon regional and local context. These include the frequency and capacity of transit service, level of job access, and access to opportunity (e.g. High-Resource Areas). Further supportive actions for these geographies will be identified in the Implementation Plan phase, later in 2020.

- **Horizon Analysis:** The impact of focusing growth in the geographies included in this strategy - PDAs, HRAs, and TRAs - were studied as individual strategies in Horizon. In Futures Round 2, increased density and diversity of housing in PDAs and TRAs achieved a focused pattern of growth with greater access to transit, while increasing development capacity in HRAs led to incremental gains in access to opportunity.
 - **Public Feedback:** In both pop-up workshops and via the Mayor of Bayville website, the public was highly supportive of expanding housing opportunities in High-Resource Areas and Transit-Rich Areas. While a limited number of individuals expressed concerns about local control, nearly all comments favored expanding future growth areas for housing.
 - **Stakeholder Feedback:** Stakeholders were also overwhelmingly supportive of focusing housing in TRAs and HRAs in the Blueprint, including areas outside of locally-nominated PDAs. Many stakeholders emphasized the need for a more inclusive growth pattern that spread the responsibility for meeting the region's housing needs more equitably.
- ***Reduce Barriers to Housing Near Transit and in Areas of High Opportunity***
 - **Description:** Reduce parking requirements, project review times, and impact fees for new housing in Transit-Rich and High-Resource Areas, while providing projects exceeding inclusionary zoning minimums even greater benefits. Similar to the previous strategy, details for this strategy will be appropriately calibrated based on regional and local context.
 - **Horizon Analysis:** In Futures Round 2, this strategy was applied uniformly to PDAs, TRAs, and PDA-eligible HRAs. Coupled with the previous strategy, this approach created an attractive environment for new housing across all of the Futures - with 90 percent of growth taking place in these geographies.
 - **Public Feedback:** The vast majority of members of the public - 82 percent of pop-up participants - were supportive of this strategy. Still, it elicited the greatest level of concern among the housing strategies, with participants noting that communities need to continue to be able to provide input on proposed projects that affect their neighborhoods.
 - **Stakeholder Feedback:** Stakeholders emphasized the importance of tailoring this strategy so that its ability to increase the feasibility of development is used in a targeted manner - in particular, to enable affordable housing and to support housing around transit.
 - ***Transform Aging Malls and Office Parks into Neighborhoods***

- **Description:** Transform aging malls and office parks into mixed-income neighborhoods by permitting new land uses and significantly reducing development costs for eligible projects that meet affordability and VMT reduction criteria. Applying this strategy in the Blueprint will involve updating zoning to allow a mix of housing and commercial development in large mall and office park sites more than 30 years old, first prioritizing sites that are in both HRAs and TRAs.
- **Horizon Analysis:** By unlocking a host of large development sites in strong real estate markets, this strategy produced thousands of new units across all three futures without displacing existing residents. Adding robust affordability and VMT-reduction measures would amplify the impact of this strategy.
- **Public Feedback:** This strategy was overwhelmingly popular with the public, with over 90 percent of pop-up participants offering positive feedback.
- **Stakeholder Feedback:** Similar to the public, stakeholders were very supportive of this strategy. Potential refinements identified by stakeholders included ensuring that projects benefited surrounding communities and integrated affordable housing.

Housing: Protect, Preserve, and Produce More Affordable Housing

- ***Fund Affordable Housing Protection, Preservation and Production***

- **Description:** Raise an additional \$1.5 billion in new annual revenues to leverage federal, state, and local sources to protect, preserve and produce deed-restricted affordable housing for low-income households.² This strategy takes a significant step toward closing the gap in housing needs identified in the Draft Affordable Housing Needs & Revenue Assessment; future refinements in the Final Blueprint can integrate ongoing conversations related to advancing AB 1487. To expand affordable housing beyond existing revenue measures, this strategy would be significantly strengthened in Blueprint Plus. Funding can be prioritized based on context-specific needs, such as:
 - Funding for preservation of existing affordable housing can be focused in communities in TRAs with high displacement risk.
 - Funding for production of new affordable housing can be prioritized in communities that are HRAs, with remaining units spread throughout the region to ensure inclusive communities.

Funding: \$64 billion (in addition to baseline housing funding from Needs & Revenue)

- **Horizon Analysis:** This strategy resulted in the preservation and production of approximately 80,000 units over 30 years, representing between four and seven percent of all units built in the two high-growth Futures. Additional complementary strategies, such as expansions of inclusionary zoning, may be necessary to further close the gap between existing affordable housing stock and anticipated future needs.
- **Public Feedback:** This was among the most popular strategies with the public, with over 90 percent support at pop-up workshops.
- **Stakeholder Feedback:** Stakeholders were overwhelmingly supportive of this strategy, but offered numerous recommendations to refine the strategy - many relating to the details of program administration, which will be important to consider when developing the Implementation Plan (e.g., providing a regional “one-stop shop” for regional affordable housing funds).

² For the purpose of the Plan Bay Area 2050 Blueprint, this is defined as the lowest quartile of Bay Area households.

- ***Require 10 to 20 Percent of All New Housing to be Affordable***
 - **Description:** Require at least 10 percent to 20 percent of new housing developments of 5 units or more to be affordable to low-income households, with the threshold defined by market feasibility, as well as access to opportunity and public transit. Smaller units, such as ADUs and fourplexes, are exempted to increase feasibility.
 - **Horizon Analysis:** By creating an ongoing source of deed-restricted affordable housing, this strategy was the most effective in addressing displacement risk over the 30-year timeframe of the Plan. However, like many of the other housing strategies, the analysis identified that more precisely tuning the strategy for specific geographies could deliver greater benefits to the region.
 - **Public Feedback:** Members of the public were generally supportive of this strategy, voicing strong support for more affordable housing in the Bay Area including through requirements for market-rate developers.
 - **Stakeholder Feedback:** Stakeholders were generally supportive of this strategy, with some concerns expressed regarding the importance of designing the strategy to avoid dampening overall housing production and achieving the desired affordability outcomes.
- ***Further Strengthen Renter Protections Beyond State Legislation***
 - **Description:** Building upon recent tenant protection laws, limit annual rent increases to the rate of inflation, while exempting units less than 10 years old. This strategy reflects feedback from stakeholders this fall, which challenged MTC/ABAG staff to consider expanding upon recently-passed state legislation (e.g., AB 1482) to protect renters. Units less than 10 years old - the timeframe developers and lenders analyze to determine project affordability - are exempted to reduce the potential for dampening new market-rate development.
 - **Horizon Analysis:** A more limited version of this strategy (modeled based on laws passed in 2019) was effective in slowing short-term displacement pressure, with its impact diminishing over time as rents reset to market levels as new tenants move in. Over a 30-year period, it achieves minimal benefit in reducing displacement - pointing to the need to couple it with strategies that permanently preserve existing, and build new, affordable housing.
 - **Public Feedback:** This strategy was not included in the public engagement process due to the adoption of AB 1482.
 - **Stakeholder Feedback:** Although this strategy was not formally included in stakeholder engagement, it was raised in multiple forums by subject-area experts as an opportunity to go beyond state legislation to more effectively stabilize housing in communities vulnerable to displacement - an outcome not guaranteed by the legislation, which is intended as an “emergency” measure with a ten-year duration.

Economy: Improve Economic Mobility

- ***Expand Childcare Support for Low-Income Families***
 - **Description:** Provide a 50 percent childcare subsidy to low-income households with children under 5, enabling more parents with young children to remain in (or to enter) the workforce. Neither ABAG nor MTC would lead in this strategy’s implementation but the agencies could advocate for supportive policies to be advanced by others as part of future economic development work. Given the high cost to deliver this strategy, it can only be included in Blueprint Plus. **Funding: \$30 billion**

- **Horizon Analysis:** Horizon Futures Round 2 analysis indicated that this strategy has broad benefits, improving career trajectories for women and reducing financial burden for working-class families. Average Bay Area childcare costs are more than \$15,000 per year, which poses a financial challenge, particularly for low-income households already impacted by the Bay Area's high cost of living. Today, 75,000 Bay Area households with at least one child 5 years old or younger earn less than \$50,000 annually. For households with parents already working the benefit could raise income by 30% or more. For households with a parent not working, the benefit could raise income by 50% or more.
 - **Public Feedback:** This was a popular strategy with a nearly 90 percent approval rating at pop-up workshops. Many suggested childcare subsidies be made available to higher income households given the cost of living in the Bay Area and suggested thresholds up to \$85,000 as the eligible income threshold for this subsidy. The public also asked that it be expanded to add after school programs and baseline funding for universal pre-school.
 - **Stakeholder Feedback:** This was also a popular strategy with stakeholders, with some suggesting that it should be expanded to cover generations caring for generations, senior care, and disabled care. Stakeholders also recommended that further work should consider the income threshold for this strategy, the level of financial support, any appropriate restrictions to eligibility and how the high cost of such subsidies could be funded.
- **Create Incubator Programs in Economically-Challenged Areas**
 - **Description:** Fund pre-incubation services or technical assistance for establishing a new business, as well as access to workspaces, and mentorship and financing in disadvantaged communities. This strategy could be combined with both Priority Production Areas and Priority Development Areas in housing-rich locations to encourage job opportunities specifically located in places where future job growth is intended to be focused. Given the high cost to deliver this strategy, it can only be included in Blueprint Plus. **Funding: \$15 billion**
 - **Horizon Analysis:** In Horizon Futures Round 2, job growth continued to occur disproportionately in the West Bay, accentuating the Bay Area's longstanding jobs-housing imbalance. Residents in East and North Bay communities had less access to job opportunities and upward economic mobility. Incubator programs had very modest benefits in the analysis to date, but staff would note that further refinements including pairing with Priority Production Areas in housing-rich locations could increase efficacy somewhat in the Draft Blueprint.
 - **Public Feedback:** This strategy was very popular with the public, with 97 percent approving. People felt that local businesses were especially important as new businesses that start local tend to hire local, thereby creating jobs and improving opportunities. Potential suggested improvements included expanding the strategy to support and retain small businesses.
 - **Stakeholder Feedback:** Incubators were considered a modest priority for many stakeholders. Some felt that the incubation focus was overblown compared to other features of the labor market, like adequate training, apprenticeships for minority youth, quality education, etc. Connecting incubators to the region's many community colleges is an idea that could be further considered in the Implementation Plan phase.

- ***Retain Key Industrial Lands through Establishment of Priority Production Areas***
 - **Description:** Implement local land use policies to protect key industrial lands identified as Priority Production Areas, including preservation of industrial zoning. Land use levers could be furthered buttressed by technical assistance, which would be considered further in the Implementation Plan phase.
 - **Horizon Analysis:** This strategy was not assessed in Horizon as development of a pilot program was ongoing in 2018-19.
 - **Public Feedback:** Although this strategy was not featured at the pop-up workshops, other comments on economy strategies suggested that the region should focus on retaining small businesses as well as key industrial areas as both are critical to the region's economy.
 - **Stakeholder Feedback:** Stakeholders were supportive of this strategy as a way add jobs in housing-rich, but jobs-poor areas. Some expressed concerns that it could be used as an excuse not to build housing. Stakeholders also suggested that PPAs should align with the transportation planning framework for freight and goods movement and that it was important to retain existing vibrant clusters close to transit. PPAs should encourage middle-wage job growth close to housing that is more affordable and should be evaluated as locations for new incubators.

Economy: Shift the Location of Jobs

- ***Allow Greater Commercial Densities in Growth Geographies***
 - **Description:** Allow greater densities for new commercial development in select Priority Development Areas and select Transit-Rich Areas to encourage more jobs to locate near public transit. This strategy may be fine-tuned during the Draft Blueprint phase to ensure that it is supporting both focused growth near transit as well as an aim to shift the location of jobs to more housing-rich places.
 - **Horizon Analysis:** This strategy was not explicitly analyzed in Horizon, but it has been included in prior iterations of Plan Bay Area to successfully enable more growth in PDAs and near public transit.
 - **Public Feedback:** This strategy was not discussed in-depth with the public as part of recent Horizon & Plan Bay Area 2050 public engagement, but prior Plans have identified strong public support of clustering jobs near public transit.
 - **Stakeholder Feedback:** This strategy was not discussed in-depth with the public as part of recent RAWG and REWG workshops, but prior Plans have identified strong stakeholder support of clustering jobs near public transit.
- ***Assess Transportation Impact Fees on New Office Developments***
 - **Description:** Apply expanded county-specific fees on new office development that reflects transportation impacts associated with such development, focusing primarily on new workplaces anticipated to have high employment-related vehicle miles traveled (VMT). Assigned on a per square foot basis, the fee is highest in areas with the greatest VMT per worker and zero in areas with the lowest. The fee revenues incentivize development inside low-VMT job centers.
 - **Horizon Analysis:** This strategy was adopted in Plan Bay Area 2040, and through ABAG/MTC modeling, it has proven effective in incentivizing job growth in low-VMT locations across multiple Futures. The strategy helped to focus over 90 percent of new office jobs in low-VMT areas and generated substantial revenue, ranging from over \$600 million to several billion dollars over 30 years to support new development near

transit. However, it also dampened new office job growth in the North Bay and portions of the East Bay, where long auto trips are more common.

- **Public Feedback:** This strategy was one of the least popular in recent “pop-up” outreach, in part because the strategy was not clearly defined. In response, staff has overhauled the strategy messaging to make clear that this is a fee based on transportation impacts (VMT) of new development which would be paid by businesses or developers. Furthermore, the strategy itself has been realigned to focus on county VMT averages for worker-based VMT to reduce the risk that it discourages growth in the North Bay and the East Bay.
- **Stakeholder Feedback:** Stakeholders noted that a broader suite of economic actions beyond regional impact fees would be necessary to encourage further growth outside of the West Bay and the South Bay; staff recognizes that many of these are not specific strategies but perhaps implementation activities that MTC/ABAG could support or partner to advance following Plan adoption. There was also some concern that this strategy could lead to some employers choosing to relocate jobs outside of the Bay Area.
- ***Assess Jobs-Housing Imbalance Fees on New Office Developments***
 - **Description:** Apply a regional jobs-housing linkage fee to generate funding for affordable housing when new office development occurs in job-rich places, thereby incentivizing more jobs to locate in housing-rich places. Funding generated can be used to support affordable housing strategies identified elsewhere in this Draft Blueprint package, but in general, the strategy would be designed to encourage a shift in location of jobs to the greatest extent possible.
 - **Horizon Analysis:** This strategy was not analyzed during the Horizon planning process, but instead it was generated based upon feedback regarding interest in additional straightforward strategies to shift the location of jobs.
 - **Public Feedback:** This strategy was not discussed in-depth with the public as part of recent Horizon & Plan Bay Area 2050 public engagement, as it has been primarily spurred by concerns about solely seeking to encourage growth in lower-VMT locations.
 - **Stakeholder Feedback:** This strategy was not discussed in-depth with the public as part of recent RAWG and REWG workshops, as it has been primarily spurred by concerns about solely seeking to encourage growth in lower-VMT locations. There was also some concern that this strategy could lead to some employers choosing to relocate jobs outside of the Bay Area.

Environment: Reduce Risks from Hazards

- ***Adapt to Sea Level Rise***
 - **Description:** Protect shoreline communities affected by sea level rise, prioritizing areas of low costs and high benefits and providing additional support to vulnerable populations. Due to the need for New Revenues to support much of the anticipated need identified in the draft Needs & Revenue Assessment for resilience, the strategy would be customized for Blueprint Basic and Blueprint Plus:
 - **Blueprint Basic:** Using forecasted revenues, the region could protect only select portions of the Bay Area’s shoreline. With limited existing funds, the strategy would prioritize resources for Communities of Concern, as well as areas of high benefits and low costs. Some areas would be assumed to flood as

sea levels rise. **Funding: \$5 billion** (requires some transportation funding to protect critical freeways)

- **Blueprint Plus:** With new revenues, the region could more fully adapt to sea level rise. Most Bay Area communities and transportation facilities could be protected; this may include protecting SR-37, provided equity mitigation strategies are identified and increased local funding commitments are made. **Funding: \$20 billion**
- **Horizon Analysis:** In Horizon, sea level rise adaptation was studied through three separate strategies: partial adaptation to sea level rise, full adaptation to sea level rise, and adaptation of the SR-37 corridor.
 - In partial adaptation, protective and adaptive approaches were focused in areas with the most significant impacts, including existing communities, sensitive ecosystems, key transportation systems, or areas planned for future growth. Horizon analysis found that a partial, or more limited adaptation approach, could prevent flooding under a three-foot scenario of up to 100,000 housing units, between 100,000 and 200,000 jobs, and many critical infrastructure assets, such as major highways. However, many communities were not fully protected under this strategy, and crucial connective infrastructure like SR-37 went unprotected.
 - Blueprint Basic relies on only a portion of the “partial adaptation” Horizon strategy because existing forecasted revenues were less than anticipated. The adaptation for Blueprint Basic is therefore expected to protect fewer homes, jobs, marsh ecosystems and transportation assets than what was analyzed in the partial Horizon strategy.
 - Horizon also studied a strategy that more fully adapted the region to sea level rise, and a strategy that specifically adapted SR-37 and surrounding ecosystems. More fully adapting to sea level rise protected more communities and expanded wetland restoration efforts. Adapting SR-37 to sea level rise would maintain a critical east-west highway corridor, preserving much faster travel times than any alternative, and opening up a regionally significant opportunity to restore over 15,000 acres of historic marsh.
 - Blueprint Plus could integrate all three Horizon sea level rise strategies, provided equity mitigation strategies are identified for SR-37.
- **Public Feedback:** Public comments have shown broad support for strategic sea level rise adaptation. In fall 2019 pop-up workshops, 90 percent of those surveyed supported adaptation. For comments that supported adaptation, residents wanted to prioritize adaptation for areas with housing, a finding that was complemented by feedback from the Mayor of Bayville website that indicated that a partial adaptation approach based on prioritization would be most appropriate.
- **Stakeholder Feedback:** In recent workshops on the Draft Blueprint, stakeholders prioritized equity. Members agreed that the strategy should focus on Communities of Concern and renters, helping to reduce displacement due to flooding. Additionally, stakeholders sought alignment with the ultimate growth framework, in order to prioritize development only in low-risk areas.

- ***Provide Means-Based Financial Support to Retrofit Existing Buildings (Energy, Water, Seismic, Fire)***
 - **Description:** Adopt new building ordinances and incentivize retrofits to bring existing buildings up to higher seismic, wildfire, water and energy standards, providing means-based subsidies to offset impacts. To ease the burden of multifamily and single-family building retrofits, this strategy would prioritize assistance to Communities of Concern as well as for residential dwellings built before current codes. Because this strategy generally requires New Revenues, it can only be included in Blueprint Plus. **Funding: \$20 billion**
 - **Horizon Analysis:** As studied in Horizon Futures Round 2, the Blueprint Plus strategy would provide incentives for earthquake, wildfire, energy, and water retrofit upgrades for older homes constructed before modern codes. Horizon analysis has shown that this strategy - when fully funded - could reduce residential earthquake risk for over 500,000 households. In the modeled scenario with a magnitude 7.0 Hayward earthquake, the strategy saved 50,000 homes and sped up regional recovery. The strategy would support wildfire mitigation measures for over 275,000 at-risk homes in the region, focusing on proven measures like structure hardening and defensible space. The energy and water efficiency measures would reduce carbon emission by roughly 2 million tons, and water use by 12 billion gallons annually.
 - **Public Feedback:** The strategy was one of the most popular strategies with communities. In fall 2019 pop-up workshops, it received the highest proportion of positive feedback out of all strategies, with 97 percent of commenters approving. Comments equally supported all four upgrades: water efficiency, energy efficiency, fire, and earthquake retrofits.
 - **Stakeholder Feedback:** Workshop feedback from recent RAWG and REWG workshops focused on financial assistance and affordability, particularly for vulnerable communities and renters. Examples included providing progressive financing measures for different communities, as well as reducing bureaucratic hurdles that may further burden residents.

Environment: Reduce Environmental Impacts

- ***Maintain Urban Growth Boundaries***
 - **Description:** Using urban growth boundaries and other existing environmental protections, confine new development within areas of existing development or areas otherwise suitable for growth, as established by local jurisdictions. This strategy is consistent with the approach taken in Plan Bay Area, Plan Bay Area 2040, and Horizon. These measures include urban growth boundaries, urban service areas, environmental corridors, slope & density restrictions, stream conservation areas, and riparian buffers. As part of the upcoming Implementation Plan phase, MTC/ABAG staff will continue to work with conservation stakeholders to find ways to further strengthen UGBs as a means to prevent sprawl onto important habitat, agricultural, and recreation lands.
 - **Horizon Analysis:** With this strategy in place, the projected greenfield development from 2020 to 2050 would be 33 to 47 times less than the recent 2000 peak. The reason there is still some greenfield development is that counties and cities have identified limited greenfield areas within the current set of urban growth boundaries (UGBs) that are built out during the planning timeframe.

- **Public Feedback:** Maintaining existing UGBs to restrict urban development on greenfield lands has been an area of agreement among the ABAG and MTC governing boards in past Plan Bay Area cycles. In Horizon, staff opened the door to consider greenfield development as an option. However, staff heard clearly from the public, stakeholders, and elected officials that the Bay Area should remain committed to UGBs as a strategy to protect the environment and reduce urban sprawl, despite the need for new housing. Feedback from the community further supported the Horizon analysis.
- **Stakeholder Feedback:** Stakeholders recognized that maintaining boundaries set by today's UGB policies, as well as encouraging other municipalities to adopt UGBs, is an important strategy in reducing development pressure on the region's open spaces and agricultural lands, particularly lands along the wildland-urban interface. While UGBs are an important conservation strategy, stakeholders emphasized that achieving conservation goals would also require funding and regional support for long-term protection of priority natural and working lands.
- **Protect High-Value Conservation Lands**
 - **Description:** Provide strategic matching funds to help conserve high-priority natural and agricultural lands, including but not limited to Priority Conservation Areas. Conserving the region's biodiversity and agricultural abundance requires additional prioritization and investment for natural and working land acquisition, protection, and management. This strategy would support regional goals for agriculture, open space, bayland and trails, which include a vision of 2 million acres of preserved open space, 100,000 acres of restored marsh, 2,700 miles of trails, and a thriving agricultural economy. Because this strategy requires New Revenues, it can only be included in Blueprint Plus. **Funding: \$15 billion**
 - **Horizon Analysis:** This strategy was not assessed in Horizon, as insufficient resources were available to understand the pros and cons associated with it.
 - **Public Engagement:** This strategy was not included in the public engagement process as it was not a specific recommendation of the predecessor Horizon initiative; however, staff heard broad support from the public for greenfield protection from urban encroachment.
 - **Stakeholder Engagement:** This strategy was added based on feedback from stakeholders and the public, who expressed support for a strategy specifically encouraging conservation of regionally-significant natural and working lands. Equitable access to conserved lands was also a stakeholder priority.
- **Expand the Climate Initiatives Program**
 - **Description:** Expand MTC's Climate Initiative Program, which includes investments in transportation demand management and electrification incentive programs, while simultaneously working with the Air District and the State to reduce greenhouse gas emissions for other transportation sectors. This includes existing strategies (Bikeshare, Targeted Transportation Alternatives, Carshare, Commute Benefits Ordinance, Employer Shuttles, Trip Caps, Vanpools, Regional EV Chargers, Feebate Program Implementation, Vehicle Buyback & EV Incentives Program) as well as new strategies under Climate Initiatives. These could include a policy to shift Transportation Network Company (TNC) miles to electric; strategies to support increased telecommuting; and policies to better manage the supply of parking.



- **Horizon Analysis:** This strategy was not assessed in Horizon; instead, the performance of the various Climate Initiatives, in combination with complementary strategies that also reduce GHG emissions, will be assessed as the Blueprint is developed in 2020. Depending on upcoming analyses, additional policy commitments may be required to reach the 2035 target.
- **Public Feedback:** This strategy was not included in the public engagement process as it was not a specific recommendation of the predecessor Horizon initiative; however, there were general comments expressing the need to address climate change.
- **Stakeholder Feedback:** Feedback from the REWG workshop reiterated that affordability and equitable access to all mobility options and electric vehicle opportunities should be considered in the development of the GHG reduction strategies. Participants in the Environment RAWG workshop indicated interest in more outreach and education and discussed new policy ideas, including mitigating TNC trip emissions, encouraging telecommuting, and managing parking.

Summary Table: Draft Blueprint Strategy Costs (millions of YOES)*

Element	Theme	Strategy	Blueprint Basic	Blueprint Plus Crossing	Blueprint Plus Fix It First
Transportation	Maintain and Optimize the Existing System	Operate and Maintain the Existing System	\$392,000	\$392,000	\$423,000
		Implement Per-Mile Tolling on Congested Freeways with Transit Alternatives	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
		Reform Regional Transit Fare Policy	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
		Enable Seamless Mobility with Unified Trip-Planning and Fare Payment	\$100	\$100	\$100
	Create Healthy and Safe Streets	Build a Complete Streets Network	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$7,000
		Advance a Regional Vision Zero Policy	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
	Enhance Local and Regional Transit	Advance Low-Cost Transit Projects	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
		Build a New Transbay Rail Crossing (<i>Plus Crossing Only</i>)	N/A	\$50,000	N/A
Housing	Spur Housing Production and Create Inclusive Communities	Allow a Greater Mix of Housing Densities and Types in Growth Geographies	\$0	\$0	\$0
		Reduce Barriers to Housing Near Transit and in Areas of High Opportunity	\$0	\$0	\$0
		Transform Aging Malls and Office Parks into Neighborhoods	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Protect, Preserve, and Produce More Affordable Housing	Fund Affordable Housing Protection, Preservation and Production (<i>Plus Only</i>)	\$107,000	\$171,000	\$171,000
		Require 10 to 20 Percent of All New Housing to be Affordable	\$0	\$0	\$0
		Further Strengthen Renter Protections Beyond State Legislation	\$0	\$0	\$0
Economy	Improve Economic Mobility	Expand Childcare Support for Low-Income Families (<i>Plus Only</i>)	N/A	\$30,000	\$30,000
		Create Incubator Programs in Economically-Challenged Areas (<i>Plus Only</i>)	N/A	\$15,000	\$15,000
		Retain Key Industrial Lands through Establishment of Priority Production Areas	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Shift the Location of Jobs	Allow Greater Commercial Densities in Growth Geographies	\$0	\$0	\$0
		Assess Transportation Impact Fees on New Office Developments	\$0	\$0	\$0
		Assess Jobs-Housing Imbalance Fees on New Office Developments	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Environment	Reduce Risks from Hazards	Adapt to Sea Level Rise	\$5,000	\$20,000
Provide Means-Based Financial Support to Retrofit Existing Buildings (<i>Plus Only</i>)			N/A	\$20,000	\$20,000
Reduce Environmental Impacts		Maintain Urban Growth Boundaries	\$0	\$0	\$0
		Protect High-Value Conservation Lands (<i>Plus Only</i>)	N/A	\$15,000	\$15,000
		Expand the Climate Initiatives Program	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
Grand Total			\$544,100	\$752,100	\$734,100

Summary Table: Draft Blueprint Estimated Revenues (millions of YOE\$)*

Element	Strategy	Blueprint Basic	Blueprint Plus Crossing	Blueprint Plus Fix It First
Revenue Forecast	Transportation	\$472,000	\$544,000	\$544,000
	Housing	\$107,000	\$171,000	\$171,000
	Economy	N/A**	\$45,000	\$45,000
	Environment	\$2,000	\$51,000	\$51,000
Strategy Revenues	Implement Per-Mile Tolling on Congested Freeways with Transit Alternatives	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000
	Assess Transportation Impact Fees on New Office Developments	<i>Under Development</i>		
	Assess Jobs-Housing Imbalance Fees on New Office Developments	<i>Under Development</i>		
	<i>Additional Project-Generated Revenues (Fares, Tolls, etc.)</i>	<i>Under Development</i>		
Grand Total		\$606,000	\$836,000	\$836,000
Strategy Costs - Revenues	<i>Remaining Financial Capacity for Final Blueprint (primarily for transportation strategies, including CTA/local projects & additional regional priorities)</i>	\$61,900	\$83,900	\$101,900

* Costs are draft and subject to change. Blueprint Plus revenues would require new funding sources for Transportation, Housing, Economy, and Environment to be approved by elected officials or by the voters over the next 30 years.

** Unlike for Transportation, Housing, and Environment, MTC/ABAG does not have baseline data for economic development funding across the Bay Area. For this reason, the Economic revenues listed reflect a net increase to fund new regional strategies, as opposed to the total revenues listed for other topic areas.



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Diverse: To advance a more inclusive regional land use strategy, more affordable housing is needed, especially in high-resource communities with the greatest economic opportunities.

Healthy: Resilience strategies – from sea level rise protections to retrofits of aging Bay Area homes – can drastically lessen climate, earthquake and other hazardous effects on the Bay Area’s economy, infrastructure and housing market.

Vibrant: Partnering with the state and federal government will be key to growing middle-class employment; exploring strategies that reduce volatility in these jobs may reduce the damaging effects seen in the last recession.

[Review the full report to learn more.](#)

New Commute Program Aims to Ease Traffic Troubles for Napa Valley Workers

On January 27, 2020, MTC in partnership with the Napa Valley Vintners and Visit Napa Valley launched Napa Valley Forward, an innovative commute program for Napa Valley wine and hospitality industry employees that provides incentives for carpooling and vanpooling, riding public transit, and walking or bicycling to make workers’ commutes easier and to relieve the valley’s vexing traffic congestion. The employer-focused initiative harnesses data to customize alternatives to solo driving for each participant.

Workers who enroll in Napa Valley Forward can receive subsidies such as a Clipper card value equal to a 31-day VINE transit pass or \$50 gas cards for registered carpools. Participants who log commute trips on the program’s website can earn rewards such as free coffee, gift cards and vouchers to local businesses, with extra reward points for those who walk or bike to work. In partnership with Lyft, a Guaranteed Ride Home is also available to Napa Valley Forward participants in case of an emergency or unscheduled overtime. Participating employees can use the Guaranteed Ride Home program up to four times per year with a maximum fare coverage of \$125 per Lyft ride.

“Napa Valley Forward is a public-private partnership that uses real data to help real people,” said Napa County Supervisor and MTC Vice Chair Alfredo Pedroza. “We are empowering employees and employers to use data to help identify clusters of workers and set up alternatives to driving in your individual car that are reliable, cost-effective and more efficient. That’s how Napa Valley Forward can reduce traffic congestion on Highway 29 and Silverado Trail, and support sustainability in our region.”

Workers can enroll in Napa Valley Forward through participating employers in the wine and hospitality industries, 17 of which already are on board. Napa Valley Forward uses Luum commuter benefits software, which allows participants to enroll in both English and Spanish, making the program almost universally accessible.

The Napa Valley Forward kickoff will include a series of launch events beginning the week of January 27 and continuing through mid-March at locations throughout the valley. These events will provide employers and workers alike a chance to learn more about the program from Napa Valley Forward team members, who will explain how workers can receive subsidies and other incentives for their commutes, and can walk enrollees through the sign-up process.

Employers already participating in Napa Valley Forward include Auberge du Soleil, Boisset Family Estates, C. Mondavi & Family, Cakebread Cellars, Calistoga Ranch, Embassy Suites, Harvest Inn, Joseph Phelps, Las Alcobas, Long Meadow Ranch, Meadowood, Napa Valley Wine Train, Opus One, St. Supéry, Silver Oak, Silverado Resort, Solage, Trinchero Family Estates, and V. Sattui Winery.

Transportation, Housing Strategies Rose to the Top for Mayor of Bayville Participants

New routes for bicycles and pedestrians, denser housing near transit stops, and more frequent and reliable train service were the top three strategies chosen by more than 3,100 people who played the Mayor of Bayville this fall as part of the development of Plan Bay Area 2050, a long-range transportation and housing plan that will help chart a course for the Bay Area's future over the next 30 years.

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) received over 10,000 responses via the [Mayor of Bayville](#) online tool from residents of all nine Bay Area counties during November and December. Participants were invited to prioritize and comment on proposed strategies for improving mobility, meeting the Bay Area's housing challenges, sustaining economic growth and protecting the environment. All told, residents in 84 of the Bay Area's 101 cities and towns participated.

Strategies in the transportation and housing categories garnered the most responses from participants, followed by those in the environment and the economy. Overall the five most popular strategies include:

- **Prioritize active modes:** Build a network of safe paths for bicycles, e-bikes, scooters and pedestrians
- **Regional policy:** Allow apartments and denser housing around transit stops
- **Invest in transit:** Improve the reliability and frequency of the existing rail network
- **Price transportation service:** Provide free transit to low-income riders
- **Reuse and redevelopment:** Transform aging malls into neighborhoods

Executive Director's Report

The following items are excerpts from the January 2020 Executive Director's Report to the Commission. To read the report in its entirety go to:

<http://www.mtc.ca.gov/whats-happening/news/executive-directors-report>.

Key Highlights for January:

Plan Bay Area 2050

MTC/ABAG hosted three meetings – focused on Housing and Economy (December 10th), Equity (December 11th) and the Environment (January 7th) – to discuss potential strategies for the Draft Blueprint for Plan Bay Area 2050. A meeting focused on Transportation was held in November. Each event was well attended and input from these sessions will be used to help craft the Draft Plan Bay Area 2050 Blueprint.

Solano Transportation Authority Board Presentation

On January 8th, at the invitation of Commissioner Jim Spering, I attended the Solano Transportation Authority Board meeting to discuss Plan Bay Area 2050 and the relationship between the region's transportation and housing challenges.

2020 Transportation Research Board Annual Meeting

Along with several staff, I attended the 99th Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board, held this year from January 12-16th. The meeting, *A Century of Progress: Foundation for the Future*, provided an opportunity to learn about the latest research, share best practices, and discuss hot policy topics in transportation.

Upcoming Events:

MTC Workshop

The Commission Workshop will take place on Thursday, January 30 and Friday, January 31. The first day will provide an opportunity to discuss key decisions before the Commission, understand the timeframes and set priorities. On the second day of the workshop, the Commission will be joined by members of the ABAG Executive Board to discuss near-term and important decisions related to Plan Bay Area 2050 and Assembly Bill 1487, the San Francisco Bay Area Regional Housing Finance Act.



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