



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Metropolitan Transportation Commission
May 24, 2023

Personnel

- **New Appointments**

- **Jennifer Ye** – Jennifer started with MTC on May 1st as the Assistant Director, Financial Reporting and Operational Accounting in the Finance and Accounting section.
- **Britt Tanner** – Britt started with MTC on May 16th as a Principal Engineer in the Design and Project Delivery section.
- **Mike Chang** – Mike started with MTC on May 30th as a Revenue Accountant in the Finance and Accounting section.
- **Ofelia Walsh** – Ofelia started with MTC on May 30th as a 511 Project Manager in the Technology Services section.

- **Retirements**

- **Debbie Atmaja** – Debbie started with Caltrans in ~May 1995 and joined MTC in March 2006 as an Accounting Manager. Her last day with MTC was May 2 as the Assistant Director in the Finance and Accounting section.
- **Nancy Louie** – Nancy started with Caltrans in ~June 1991 and joined MTC in March 2006 as an Assistant Financial Analyst. Her last day with MTC was May 2 as an Accountant/Auditor II in the Finance and Accounting section.
- **Mabel Melkonians** – Mabel started with Caltrans in ~September 1990 and joined MTC in March 2006 as an Accountant/Auditor II. Her last day with MTC was May 2 as an Accountant/Auditor II in the Treasury and Revenue section.
- **Gary Louie** – Gary started with Caltrans in ~1986 and joined MTC in March 2006 as an ETC Revenue Supervisor. His last day with MTC was May 12 as the Assistant Director in the Treasury and Revenue section.

Key Updates

- The California Transportation Commission approved the application submitted earlier this spring by BAIFA for authorization to operate a toll facility on Highway 37 between Mare Island in Vallejo and the junction with State Route 121 at Sears Point in Sonoma County. The CTC's unanimous approval of the tolling proposal marks a crucial milestone in the effort by MTC, Caltrans, North Bay county transportation agencies and other partners to implement both near-term and long-term improvements to the Highway 37 corridor.
- 511 is offering a \$25 Clipper® card through the Try Transit incentive program to encourage people in Contra Costa County to switch to transit. The free, pre-loaded Clipper card is available to adults who normally drive alone to get to work or school. For full program details, visit [511ContraCosta.org](https://www.511ContraCosta.org).


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Items to Note

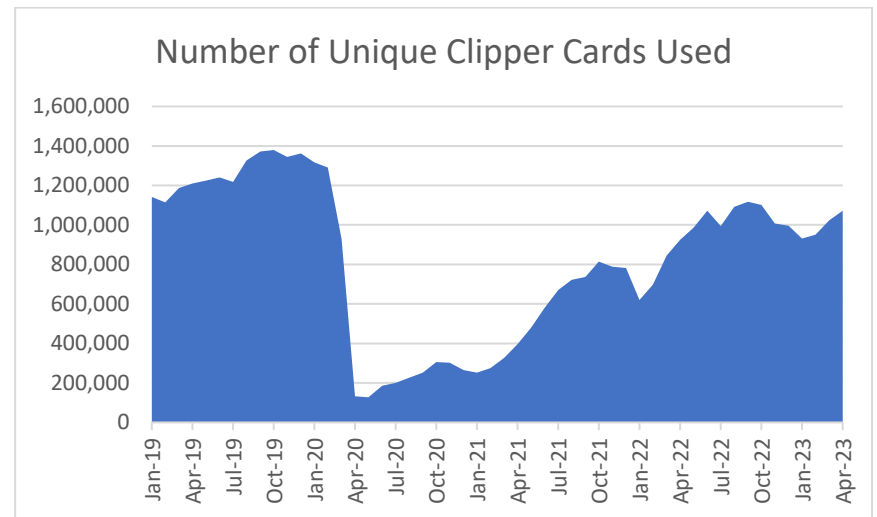
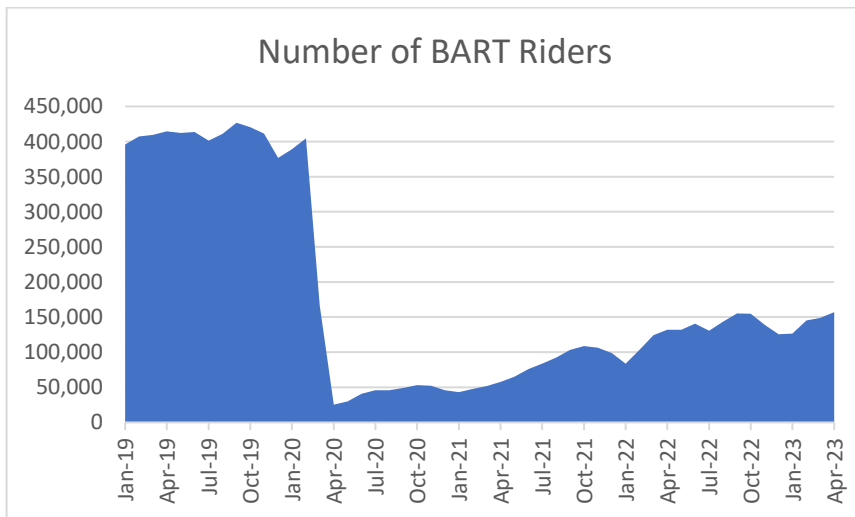
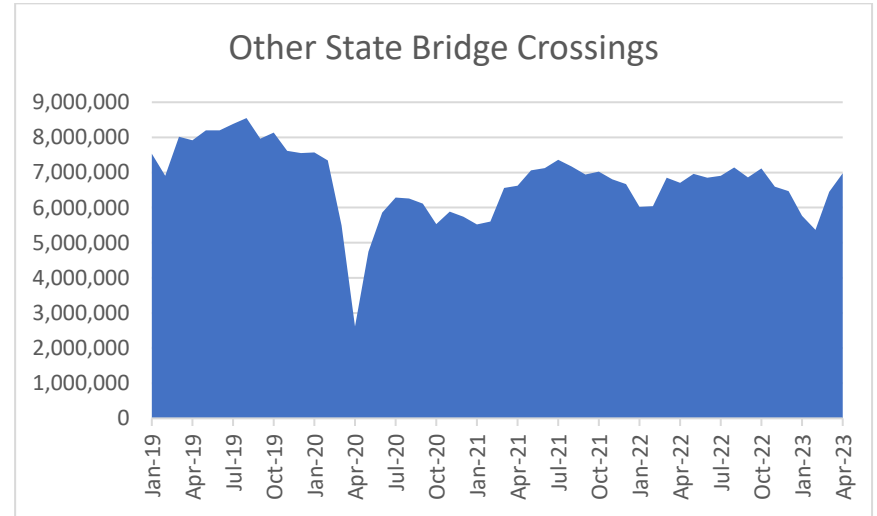
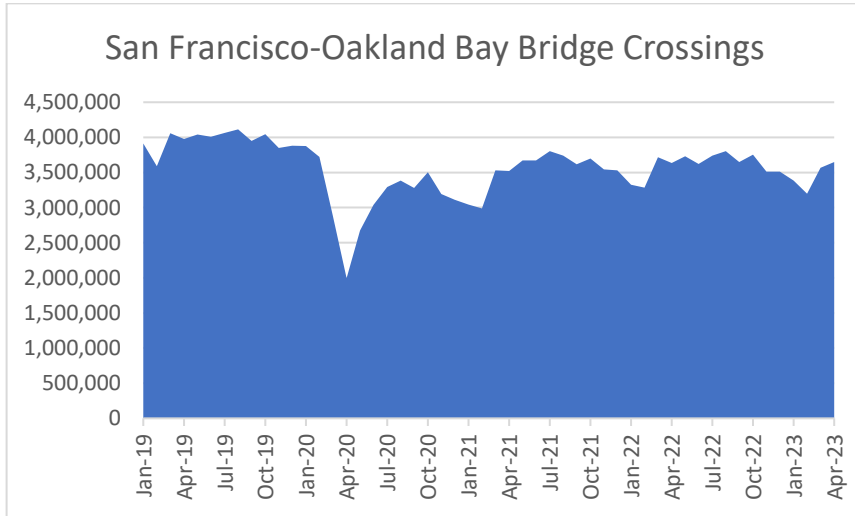
- On May 6, Commissioner Eddie H. Ahn attended the ribbon-cutting for the Southgate Road Realignment on Yerba Buena Island and was able to represent both BATA's contribution (\$22 million) and BCDC's support for the project which will greatly improve bike/pedestrian access from the east span pathway to Treasure Island.
- On May 9, we hosted the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) Northern California Listening Session on Public Transit, the second of two sessions held statewide. CalSTA Secretary Toks Omishakin led the meeting, and I welcomed the Secretary and his team and shared MTC's perspective. Approximately 50 transit agency staff attended, including Bay Area transit general managers and leaders from transit agencies serving Sacramento, the Central Coast and the Central Valley. The discussion was robust, and Secretary Omishakin expressed the Newsom Administration's commitment to public transit and his personal appreciation for the vital role it plays in the state's climate, economy and equity goals.
- On May 11, 24 staff from our MTC Leadership Academy visited Mare Island to tour Factory_OS, a company working with Nor Cal Carpenters Union to pioneer more efficient, less expensive ways to build affordable housing in the largest machine shop (250,000 square feet) at the former Naval Shipyard.
- On May 11, Former Executive Director Therese McMillan received the 2023 Women's Transportation Seminar (WTS) International Mary Peters Inspirational Leader Award in Atlanta. Therese has also been named "Person of the Year" by the California Transportation Foundation and will be honored at the 34th Annual CTF Transportation Awards for Achievement Gala in Sacramento on June 6.
- From May 16-18, we hosted the California Transportation Commission at the Bay Area Metro Center, including a training, a workshop, two public meetings and a reception hosted by the Bay Area's WTS Chapter.
- Bay Area Bike to Work Day returned on May 18 as part of May National Bike Month, with hundreds of energizer stations featuring snacks and swag along popular bike routes. For students, teachers and school staff, National Bike and Roll to School Day was on May 3. 2023 Bike Champion of the Year awards have also been announced, featuring one winner from each of the nine Bay Area counties. Read more about all of May's bike activities at Bayareabiketowork.com.
- An MTC delegation led by Chair Alfredo Pedroza and Vice Chair Nick Josefowitz visited Sacramento on May 22 to advocate for the inclusion of transit operations funding in the state budget, which is under negotiation. We met with Bay Area legislators, Senate and Assembly leadership, representatives from the Governor's office and CalSTA Secretary Toks Omishakin and his team. We also met with Caltrans Director Tony Taveras to discuss State Route 37.



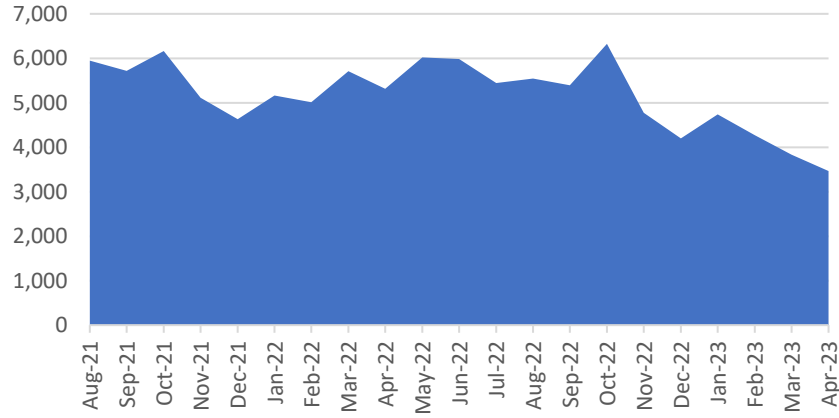
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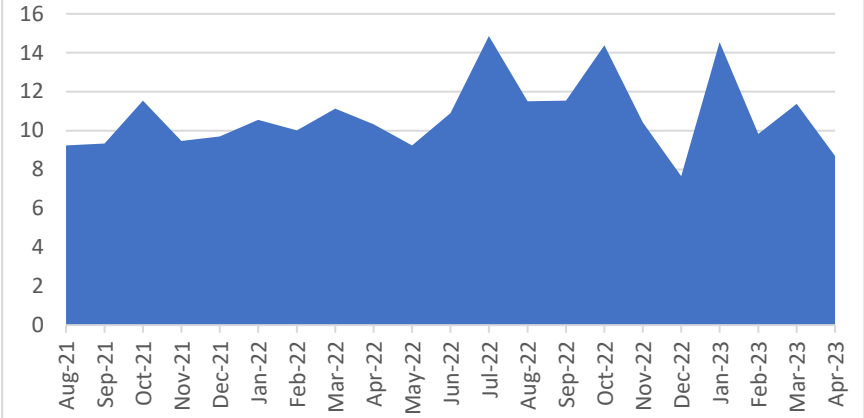
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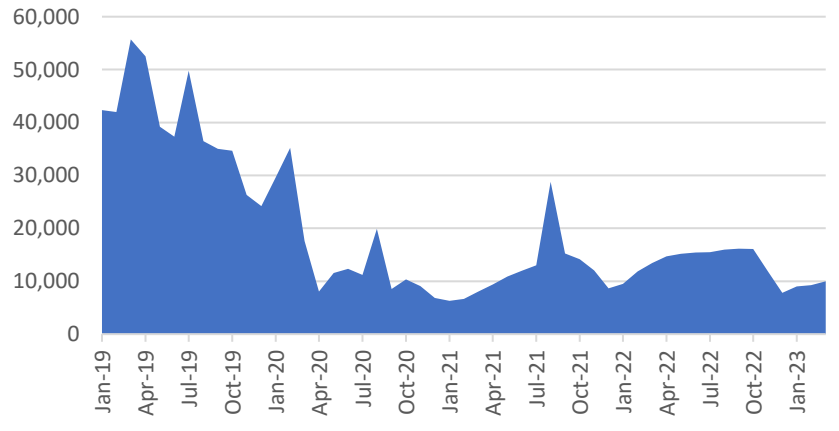
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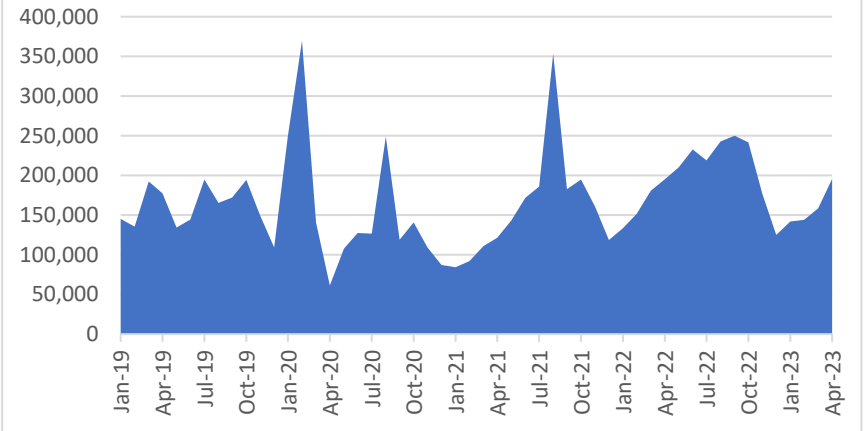
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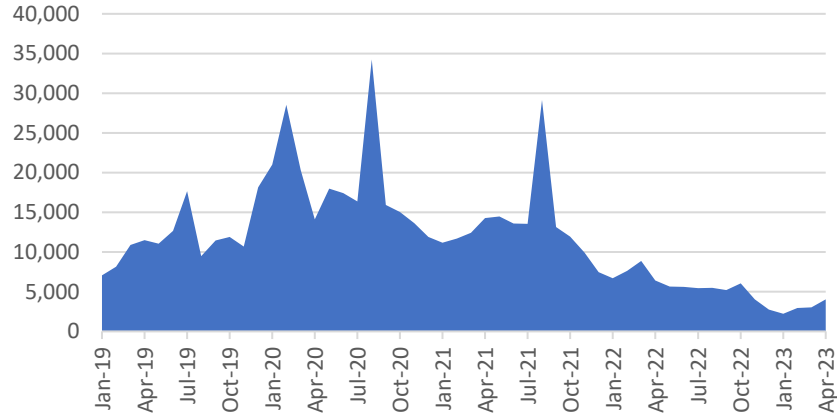
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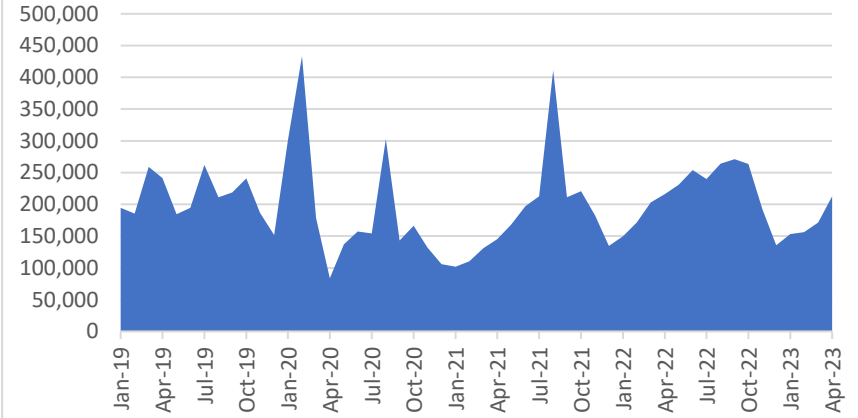
San Francisco Bay Wheels Trips



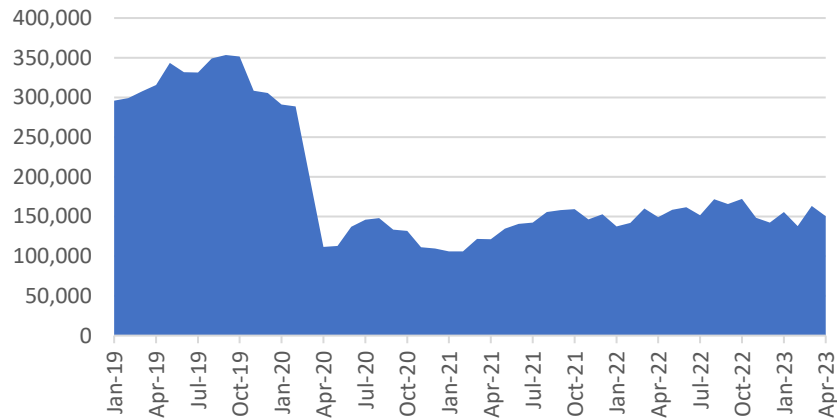
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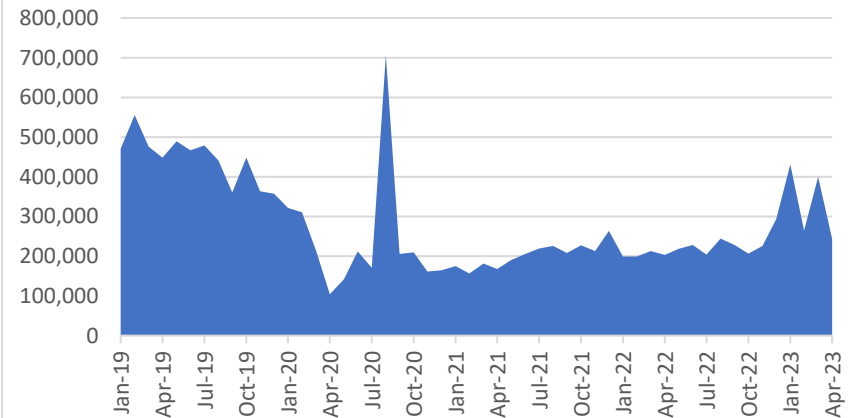
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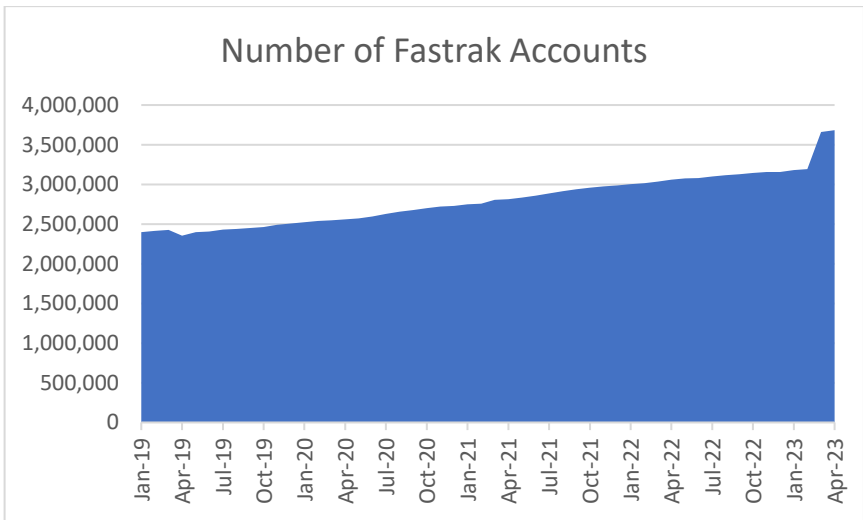
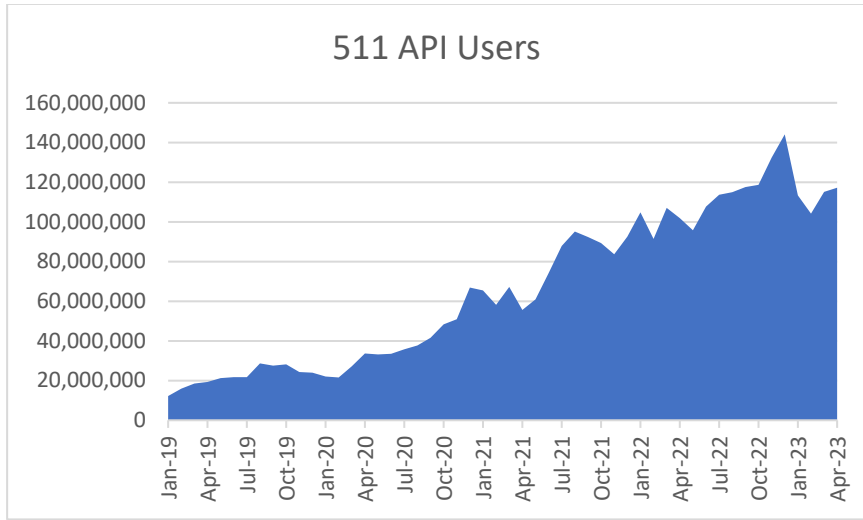
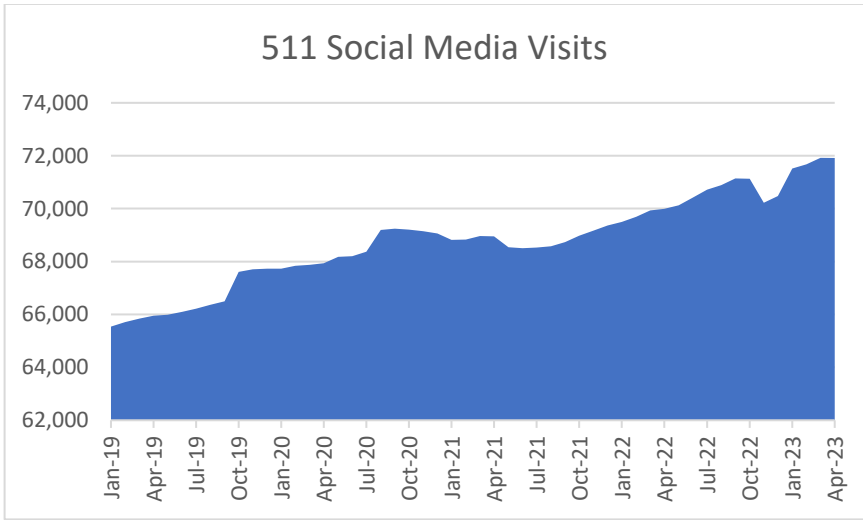


511 Phone Calls



511.org Website User Sessions





Source: MTC. To access data, view [the Monthly Transportation Statistics](#) on our website or contact info@bayareametro.gov