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Memorandum

TO: Operations Committee

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FR: Executive Director

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RE: Emergency Management Program Update

At the February Operations Committee, during approval of Resolution No. 4171, which established a Transit Emergency Service Contingency Fund Policy and Guidelines, the Committee requested an update on MTC's Emergency Management Program.

Since the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake, MTC has been involved in spearheading regional emergency transportation preparedness. What began as a need for an agency to lead regional emergency transportation planning has since evolved into a program that both 1) prepares the region's transportation infrastructure through regional planning and coordination, and 2) serves in a distinct emergency response function during incidents affecting the transportation system.

The Emergency Management Program enhances Bay Area transportation agencies' emergency coordination and response capabilities, which are critical to resumption of transportation service and economic resiliency. To facilitate coordination across jurisdictional and modal boundaries, program staff collaborate with transportation and emergency management agencies including the Federal Emergency Management Agency, California Governor's Office of Emergency Services, county emergency management agencies, California Highway Patrol, Caltrans, and Bay Area transit agencies.

Specific emergency planning and response services of the Program include:

- developing and managing regional transportation emergency plans;
- leading regional emergency transportation coordination;
- conducting exercises to test regional transportation emergency plans;
- managing the \$1M Transit Emergency Service Contingency Fund; and
- providing communication software and hardware to partner agencies to aid in emergency response.

Staff will provide an overview of the Emergency Management Program and its activities in recent years.



Steve Hemminger

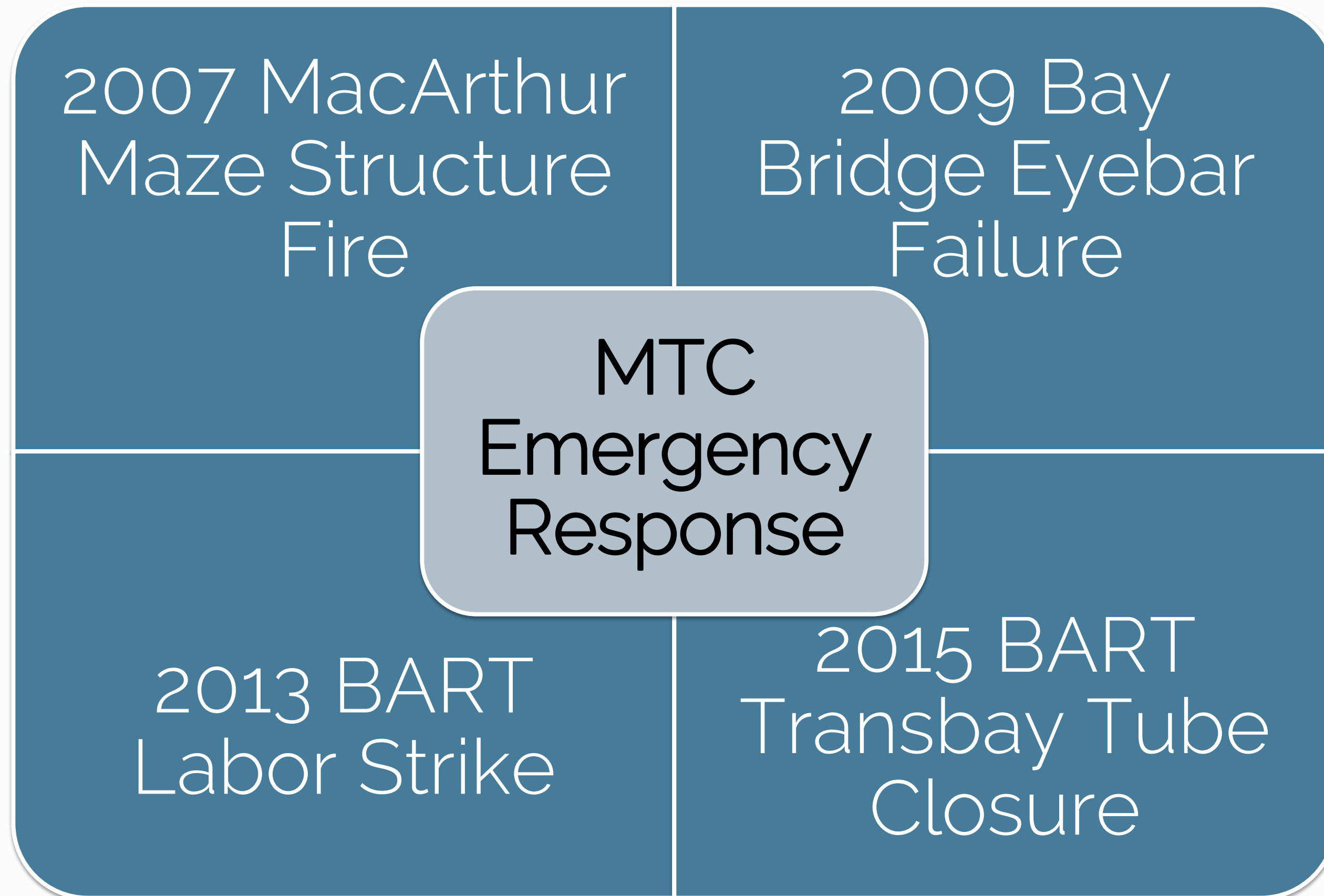
MTC's Regional Transportation Emergency Management Program Update

Operations Committee
December 11, 2015



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1989 – Loma Prieta Earthquake



1996 – California Standardized Emergency Management System established



1997 – Transportation Response Plan Adopted by the Bay Area Partnership

PROGRAM SCOPE



Emergency Planning

-assist with the development of regional transportation emergency plans



Facilitating Exercises

-conduct annual emergency preparedness exercises to test disaster plans

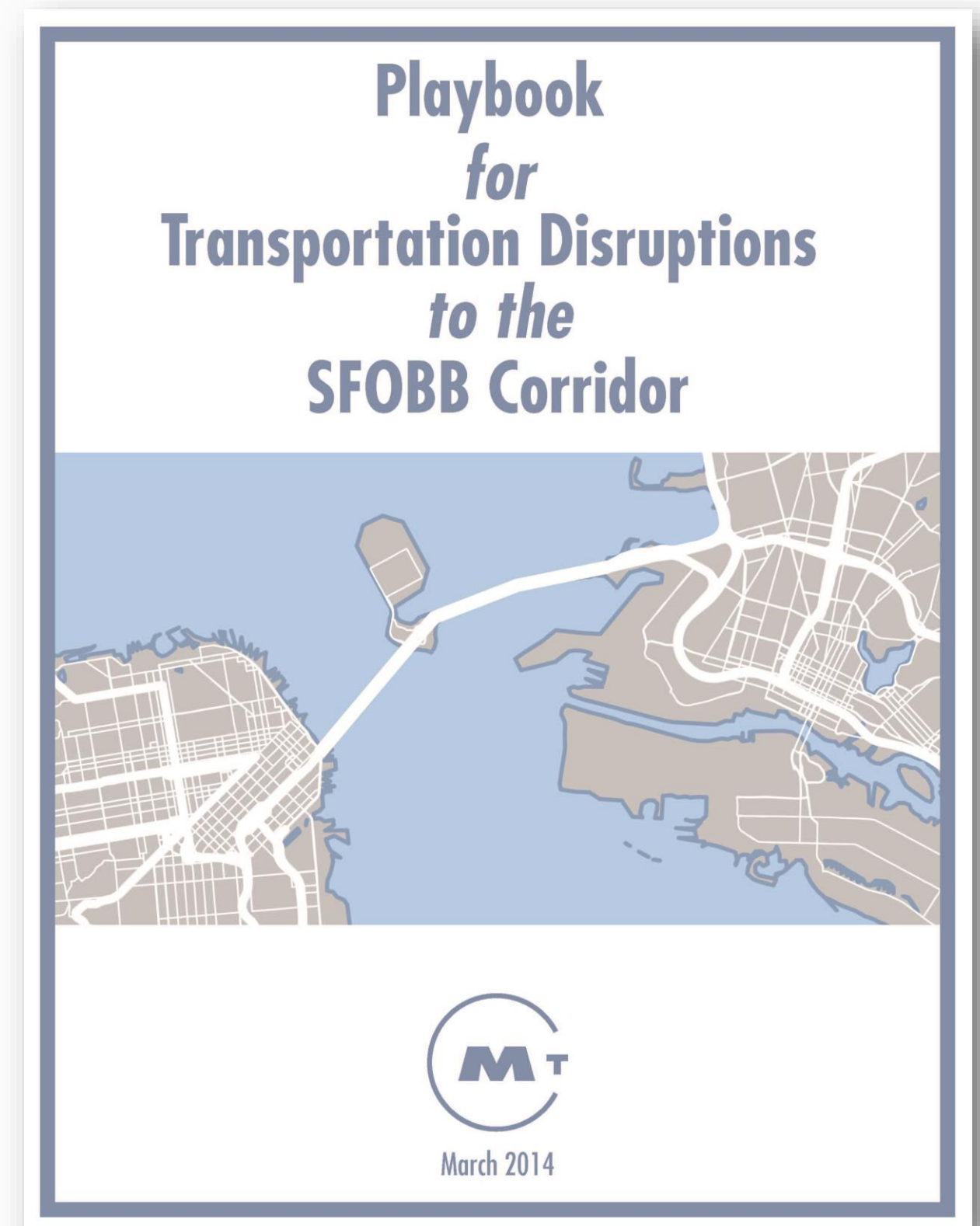


Emergency Response

-work closely with regional agencies and transportation partners for response to planned and unplanned incidents

EMERGENCY PLANNING

- Work with regional partners to develop emergency plans such as SFOBB Corridor Playbook
- Work with regional, state and federal partners to ensure Bay Area transportation concerns are adequately addressed
- Assist in the development of transit agency specific emergency plans



FACILITATING EXERCISES

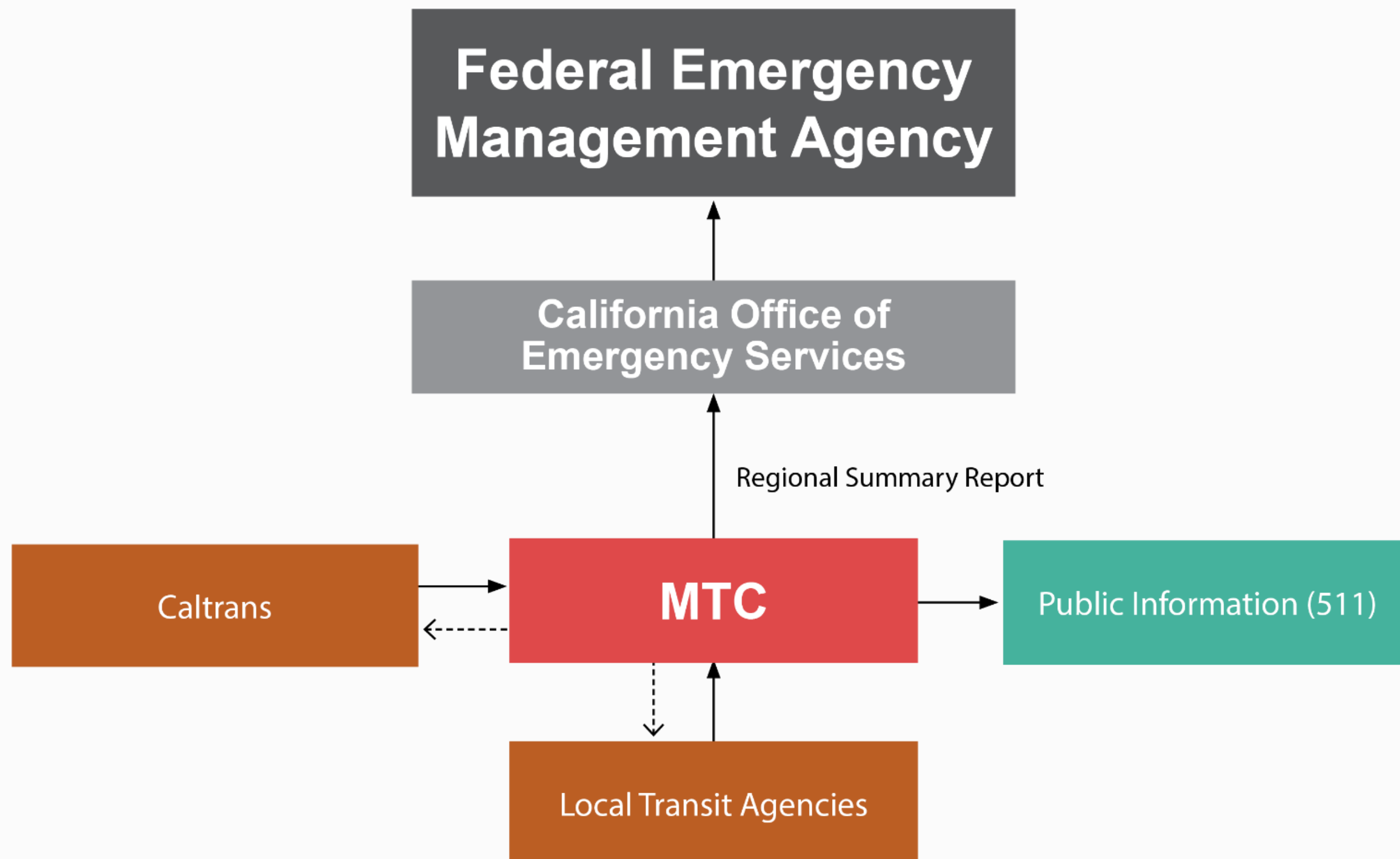
MTC has conducted 18 region-wide exercises since 1998:

- Pinpoint weaknesses in current process
- Introduce and build relationships between agency staff that will respond during an emergency



MTC RESPONSE ROLE

Information Flow



MTC RESPONSE ROLE

1

- Serve as a transportation information clearinghouse

2

- Disseminate consolidated transportation information to California Office of Emergency Services and transit agencies

3

- Distribute public information through 511.org

4

- Staff the Transportation Branch of the Coastal Region office of Emergency Services

MTC RESPONSE ROLE

Program Provides:

- Satellite phones for transit agencies and county emergency management agencies
- Incident management software
- Emergency transit funding for localized incidents up to \$1 Million



MTC RESPONSE ROLE

Emergency Management staff will utilize the new Regional Operations Center at 375 Beale to better serve the region during an emergency incident

