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Dear Members of MTC -

PLEASE support AB 629 to improve transit connections around the Bay Area and California!

Long waits and expensive transfer discourage ridership. My local bus route starts at the local Caltrain station, but pulls out as the train from SF enters the station -- how depressing to watch that departure through the train window. Such lack of connection forced me to drive rather than take the bus. If my kids want to go to their grandparents in Oakland, I drive them to BART because that saves them over an hour!

If we want public transportation to survive, let alone thrive, we must improve connections, integrate fares and simplify all related information. AB 629 will help Bay Area transit systems get to that point! Thank you,

Rebecca Ratcliff

(who's ridden ACTransit, MUNI, BART, VTA, SamTrans, Caltrain and Amtrak...)