

Regional Network Management Committee

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Agenda Item 4b – 26-0676

Draft Regional Network Management Council Two-Year Work Plan for Fiscal Years 2026-27 and 2027-28

Subject:

Update on the Regional Network Management (RNM) Council's current Work Plan and draft Two-Year Work Plan for Fiscal Years (FYs) 2026-27 and 2027-28.

Background:

This item presents a draft of the RNM Council's Work Plan to the RNM Committee for review and comment prior to final RNM Council action. Each year, the RNM Council adopts a two-year Work Plan to guide its activities for the two year planning horizon. The RNM Council's Work Plan is anchored by the Transit Transformation Action Plan (TAP) and focuses on delivering tangible customer benefits. The draft Work Plan also incorporates select findings and recommendations from the Two-Year RNM Framework Review that align with the RNM Council's responsibilities, including improving communications about progress and successes, updating the Transit Transformation Action Plan and advancing performance measures to evaluate initiatives.

In parallel, the work plan for the RNM Customer Advisory Group (CAG) is also in development. The draft work plan was discussed at their meeting on July 28 and is anticipated to be adopted late summer. The RNM CAG provides diverse customer perspectives to the RNM Committee on activities advanced through the RNM Council Work Plan.

Draft FY 2026-27 and 2027-28 Work Plan:

Staff developed the draft RNM Council Work Plan for FY 2026-27 and 2027-28 based on progress on the current Work Plan, in consultation with transit agency partners. The draft Work Plan is focused on the following: 1) advancing and delivering results for activities that are already underway; 2) incorporating select findings and recommendations from the Two-Year RNM Framework Review; and, 3) providing adjusted timelines based on capacity, resources, and dependencies.

A summary of each work plan item is contained in Attachment B. Key highlights in the draft FY 2026-27 and 2027-28 Work Plan include:

- **Fares and Payment:** Continue to grow and evaluate Clipper START and Clipper BayPass programs, monitor rollout of the free/discounted transfer pilot and begin discussing next steps in the Fare Policy Vision Statement.
- **Customer Information:** Begin deploying new maps and signage at pilot transit hubs throughout the region and provide support for transit agency-led projects. Refine and augment coordinated communications to raise awareness of regional transit and RNM progress and achievements.
- **Transit Priority:** Advance the Bay Area Transit Priority Policy for Roadways through technical support for local jurisdictions and transit agencies, developing a Transit Priority Network, and funding additional near-term transit priority projects.
- **Accessibility:** Launch remaining regional paratransit pilots, including a one-seat ride service and a regional paratransit trip booking system, and respective evaluation efforts. Conduct annual ADA paratransit eligibility trainings and commence outreach for paratransit analysis.
- **Governance:** Develop Transit RNM Performance Measures Report, provide a progress report on the implementation of the 2021 TAP, and update or amend the TAP as appropriate. Jointly develop a sustainable funding strategy for RNM operations and initiatives.

In addition to the activities and projects included in the draft Work Plan, staff will continue to coordinate with agency partners to bring updates on related activities that would benefit from the discussion at a regional forum, and will also engage the RNM Council to advance other recommendations from the RNM Framework Review as appropriate.

Staff presented the Draft Work Plan to the RNM Council at its June 1 meeting for review and feedback. RNM Council members emphasized the importance of communicating about the impacts of RNM programs as well as ensuring that timeframes for project implementation and evaluation are realistic.

Next Steps:

Staff will consider additional feedback from the RNM Committee and incorporate revisions as appropriate before returning to the RNM Council's August meeting with a revised Work Plan for adoption by the RNM Council.

Issues:

None identified.

Recommendations:

Information

Attachments:

- Attachment A: Presentation
- Attachment B: Draft RNM Council Two-Year Work Plan for Fiscal Years (FYs) 2026-27 and 2027-28



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