

### **Multimodal Bay Skyway RM3:SR2T/BT Grant Funding – Letters of Support**

Maintaining the \$23.8 million Regional Measure 3 Safe Routes to Transit and Bay Trail (SR2TBT) Program grant for the Interim Multimodal Bay Skyway is supported by key community-based organizations that see the project as a critical step towards advancing transportation equity, environmental sustainability, and regional connectivity. The following organizations have been briefed on the revised plan and are supportive of the planned Interim Multimodal Bay Skyway that can be funded with the RM3 SR2TBT grant:

- **Bike East Bay**, *Signed by Robert Prinz, Advocacy Director*
- **One Treasure Island**, *Signed by Nella Goncalves, Executive Director*
- **West Oakland Environmental Indicator Project**, *Signed by Brian Beveridge, Executive Director*
- **San Francisco Bike Coalition**, *Signed by Christopher White, Executive Director*



August 4, 2025

Sue Noack, Chair  
Metropolitan Transportation Commission  
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San Francisco, CA 94105-2066

**RE: 2025 RM3 Safe Routes to Transit / Bay Trail Grant for Multimodal Bay Skyway**

Dear Chair Noack:

On behalf of Bike East Bay, I am writing to express our support for maintaining the \$23.8 Million Regional Measure 3 Safe Routes to Transit and Bay Trail (SR2T/BT) Program grant that MTC conditionally awarded to the project earlier this year.

Bike East Bay is a 501c3 non-profit bicycle advocacy organization that has been promoting healthy, sustainable cities throughout Contra Costa and Alameda Counties since 1972. The pathway on the east span of the Bay Bridge was opened in 2013 and is named after one of the founders of our organization, Alex Zuckermann, who advocated over decades to help make it a reality. However, the lack of connectivity from West Oakland to the bridge trail, from the trail to Treasure Island, and the rest of the way to San Francisco remain among the most significant bike network gaps in the entire Bay Area.

The condition placed on the Multimodal Bay Skyway project was due to a large component of its funding plan relying on a single state grant. Since that grant was not awarded to the project, MTC's action says that, to receive these SR2T/BT funds, there must be "a deliverable segment that maintains the benefits described in the (SR2T/BT) application."

Bay Skyway team members have met with us to present a scaled down Multimodal Bay Skyway project they propose delivering with the RM3 grant. For the following reasons, Bike East Bay supports this project and urges MTC to maintain the originally awarded grant:

- This project will build on the existing Bay Bridge East Span to allow bike and walk access between West Oakland and Treasure Island, with ferry and expedited bus service to downtown San Francisco.
- Construction of new housing is underway now on Treasure Island, but with no reasonable connections to the East Bay other than by car. New residents will make their transportation decisions based on what is available to them when they move in, which means action is needed now on biking, walking, and transit options.



**BikeEastBay.org**

- MTC and San Francisco County Transportation Authority (SFCTA) staff have described this project as the first phase of transbay walk and bike access, with Phase 2 constructing the project as it was originally proposed.
- This grant is needed to complete this interim project in time to take advantage of MTC's upcoming Bay Bridge Forward efforts in West Oakland and SFCTA's West Side Bridges and related projects, that are currently under construction.

Bike East Bay has fought for active transportation transbay access since our founding more than 50 years ago, as well as in the dozen years since the Bay Bridge east span pathway opened in 2013. This project funding is necessary to enable more mobility options in the near term, and to continue progress toward a future, full Bay Skyway connection.

Please maintain the RM3—SR2T/BT grant for Multimodal Bay Skyway.

Sincerely,

Robert Prinz  
Advocacy Director  
Bike East Bay



August 11, 2025

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**RE: 2025 RM3 SAFE ROUTES TO TRANSIT/BAY TRAIL GRANT FOR MULTIMODAL BAY SKYWAY**

Dear Chair Noack:

On behalf of One Treasure Island, I urge you to maintain the \$23.8 million Regional Measure 3 Safe Routes to Transit and Bay Trail (SR2T/BT) Program grant that MTC conditionally awarded to the project earlier this year. One Treasure Island is a nonprofit organization dedicated to building a thriving, inclusive community through affordable housing, workforce development, and community programs. We strongly support the Bay Skyway Project as it will create a vital multimodal connection between West Oakland, the Bay Trail, the Port of Oakland, Treasure Island, and downtown San Francisco—expanding equitable access, improving mobility, and fostering economic and social opportunity for residents and visitors alike.

The condition placed on the project was due to a large component of its funding plan relying on a single state grant. Since that grant was not awarded to the project, MTC's action says that, to receive these SR2T/BT funds, there must be "a deliverable segment that maintains the benefits described in the (SR2T/BT) application."

Bay Skyway team members have met with the leaders of our organization to present the scaled down Multimodal Bay Skyway project they propose delivering with the RM3 grant. For the following reasons, One Treasure Island supports this project and urges MTC to maintain the originally awarded grant:

- This project will build on the existing Bay Bridge East Span to allow bike and walk access between West Oakland and Treasure Island, with ferry and expedited bus service to downtown San Francisco.
- MTC and San Francisco County Transportation Authority (SFCTA) staff have described this project as the first phase of transbay walk and bike access, with Phase 2 constructing the project as it was originally proposed.
- This grant is needed to complete this interim project in time to take advantage of MTC's upcoming Bay Bridge Forward efforts in West Oakland and SFCTA's West Side Bridges and related projects, that are currently under construction.

One Treasure Island has dreamed of transbay active transportation access since before 2013, when the East Span pathway opened. Now is the time to deliver this dream, thereby setting the stage for the future full Bay Skyway.

Please maintain the RM3—SR2T/BT grant for Multimodal Bay Skyway.

Sincerely,

Nella Gonçalves

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August 12, 2025

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**RE: 2025 RM3 SAFE ROUTES TO TRANSIT/BAY TRAIL GRANT FOR MULTIMODAL BAY SKYWAY**

Dear Chair Noack:

On behalf of West Oakland Environmental Indicators Project, I urge you to maintain the \$23.8 million Regional Measure 3 Safe Routes to Transit and Bay Trail (SR2T/BT) Program grant that MTC conditionally awarded to the project earlier this year. West Oakland Environmental Indicators Project (WOEIP) is an environmental justice organization focused on air quality parity, clean water and energy resilience for residents and community members who live, work and play in West Oakland, CA. West Oakland is surrounded by three freeways, BART tracks, a post office and the Port of Oakland. An accessible pathway to the waterfront, Port of Oakland, Bay Trail and the Bay Bridge East Span path is a step in remedying policy that has historically excluded residents from other parts of Oakland and the Bay Area. For residents of West Oakland, the freedom and choice to access outdoor recreation and space is imperative to building equity.

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Bay Skyway team members have met with the leaders of our organization to present the scaled down Multimodal Bay Skyway project they propose delivering with the RM3 grant. For the following reasons, West Oakland Environmental Indicators Project supports this project and urges MTC to maintain the originally awarded grant:

- This project will build on the existing Bay Bridge East Span to allow bike and walk access between West Oakland and Treasure Island, with ferry and expedited bus service to downtown San Francisco.
- MTC and San Francisco County Transportation Authority (SFCTA) staff have described this project as the first phase of transbay walk and bike access, with Phase 2 constructing the project as it was originally proposed.
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West Oakland Environmental Indicators Project has dreamed of transbay active transportation access since before 2013, when the East Span pathway opened. Now is the time to deliver this dream, thereby setting the stage for the future full Bay Skyway.

Please maintain the RM3—SR2T/BT grant for Multimodal Bay Skyway.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brian Beveridge". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Brian" and last name "Beveridge" clearly distinguishable.

Brian Beveridge, Executive Director



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August 8, 2025

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**Re: 2025 RM3 SAFE ROUTES TO TRANSIT/BAY TRAIL GRANT FOR MULTIMODAL BAY SKYWAY**

Dear Chair Noack:

For over 50 years, the San Francisco Bicycle Coalition has advocated to transform San Francisco streets into safe, just and livable places by promoting the bicycle for everyday transportation. Towards that mission, we know that completing the Bay Skyway will drastically transform the way people get around our region. While we're many years away from seeing the Bay Skyway constructed, we must do everything in this moment to make sure that dream comes to fruition. **On behalf of the San Francisco Bicycle Coalition, I urge you to maintain the \$23.8 million Regional Measure 3 Safe Routes to Transit and Bay Trail (SR2T/BT) Program grant that MTC conditionally awarded to the project earlier this year.**

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Bay Skyway team members have met with the leaders of our organization to present the scaled down Multimodal Bay Skyway project they propose delivering with the RM3 grant. For the following reasons, the San Francisco Bicycle Coalition supports this project and urges MTC to maintain the originally awarded grant:

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The San Francisco Bicycle Coalition has dreamed of transbay active transportation access since before 2013, when the East Span pathway opened. Now is the time to deliver this dream, thereby setting the stage for the future completed Bay Skyway. Please maintain the RM3-SR2T/BT grant for Multimodal Bay Skyway.

Sincerely,

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Christopher White  
Executive Director