

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Programming and Allocations Committee**

August 12, 2026

Agenda Item 2b-26-0790

MTC Resolution No. 3914, Revised. Allocation of \$4 million to Tri-Valley – San Joaquin Valley Regional Rail Authority for the Valley Link Project.

Subject:

Allocation of \$4 million in Assembly Bill (AB) 1171 Bridge Toll capital funds to the Tri-Valley – San Joaquin Valley Regional Rail Authority (TVSJVRRA) for continuation of 30% design, environmental review documents, preparation of reports for Caltrans' Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA&ED) phase, and operations and technical studies on the Valley Link project, including work by the Construction Manager/General Contractor (CMGC) in support of these activities.

Background:

MTC Resolution No. 3434 commits \$95 million in AB 1171 Bridge Toll capital funds towards Tri-Valley Transit Access Improvements to/from BART. In 2017, the TVSJVRRA was established by Assembly Bill 758 to deliver the Valley Link rail project. The Commission approved AB 1171 capital allocations to TVSJVRRA for 30% design and Caltrans PA&ED documents in June 2020 and October 2024.

Additional background on AB 1171 funding, the Valley Link project, and prior bridge toll allocations for the project is included as Attachment A.

Due to cost increases identified as part of the 30% design and cost estimate update, in June 2025 the TVSJVRRA Board adopted an initial Phase 1A operating segment that will construct approximately 11 miles of new passenger rail along I-580, with a station adjacent to the existing BART rail system at Dublin/Pleasanton, a station at Isabel Avenue in Livermore, and a newly located station connecting to the existing ACE rail system at Vasco Road in Livermore.

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TVSJVRRA must now update the 30% designs and Caltrans reports to reflect the new phase 1A alignment and procure an independent cost estimate. In addition, a Construction Manager/General Contractor (CMGC) will be procured and begin preconstruction services as part of the 30% design milestone. TVSJVRRA requested a supplemental AB 1171 allocation of

\$4 million for continuation of 30% design and Caltrans PA&ED phase, CMGC preconstruction services, and the independent cost estimate.

The TVSJVRRRA Board of Directors approved this allocation request and the required updated Initial Project Report at their June 10, 2026 meeting. Valley Link is subject to the requirements of MTC's Complete Streets Policy contained in MTC Resolution No. 4493. TVSJVRRRA has submitted a Complete Streets checklist and is in compliance with MTC Resolution No. 4493. The Valley Link project is also subject to and has complied with the MTC Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) policy (Resolution No. 4530, Revised) for the requested phase as of the project's prior allocation in October 2024. MTC endorsements and allocation requests for subsequent phases of the project are subject to the revised TOC policy as it relates to transit extension projects; please see item 4a on this agenda for further discussion. Staff recommend approval of this \$4 million allocation request via an update to MTC Resolution No. 3914, Revised.

Issues:

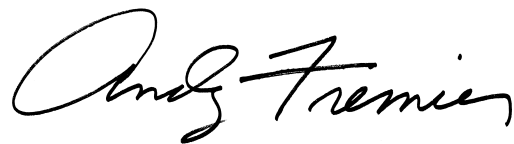
See Attachment A for further discussion of issues, including litigation related to this project.

Recommendations:

Refer MTC Resolution No. 3914, Revised, to the Commission for approval.

Attachments:

- Attachment A: Valley Link Allocation Request Additional Background and Issues
- MTC Resolution No. 3914, Revised
 - Attachment B



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