

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Regional Network Management Committee**

January 9, 2026

Agenda Item 2e

**Cooperative Agreement - West Oakland Link Project - Funding for Plans, Specifications,
and Estimates (PS&E), and Right-of-Way (R/W) Phases: California Department of
Transportation (Caltrans) and Bay Area Toll Authority (\$2,500,000)**

Subject:

A request for the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) to enter into a three-party cooperative agreement with Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA) and Caltrans for an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000 to perform PS&E and R/W phase activities for the West Oakland Link project (Project) in Alameda County.

Background:

The West Oakland Link project (04-4W480) is proposing to construct a new Class I multi-use path between West Oakland and the existing San Francisco Bay Trail (Bay Trail) leading to the East Span of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge in Oakland. The Project intends to connect pedestrians and cyclists in the West Oakland neighborhood to the regional San Francisco Bay Trail, the Bay Bridge East Span Path, the Port of Oakland, and the Judge John Sutter Regional Shoreline.

In July 2023, BATA entered into a Cooperative Agreement with Caltrans for the Project Initiation Document (PID), and Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA&ED) phases of the work, referred to as the PID/PA&ED Cooperative Agreement. Caltrans is expected to approve the Project Study Report - Project Report (PSR-PR) in January 2026, moving the Project to the next phase. MTC is the Project sponsor for the R/W phase, and BATA is the Project sponsor for the PS&E phase, therefore requiring a three-party Cooperative Agreement to allow Caltrans to support the PS&E and R/W phase activities of the Project. Under this Cooperative Agreement, BATA would provide \$2,500,000 to Caltrans to perform oversight activities. This agreement is subject to concurrent BATA Oversight Committee approval in January 2026.

Issues:

None identified.

Recommendations:

Staff recommends that the Regional Network Management Committee authorize the Executive Director or designee to negotiate and enter into a cooperative agreement with BATA and Caltrans to perform PS&E and R/W phase activities for the West Oakland Link project in an amount not to exceed \$ 2,500,000.

Attachments:

- Attachment A: Request for Committee Approval – Summary of Proposed Cooperative Agreement



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Request for Committee Approval

Summary of Proposed Cooperative Agreement

Work Item No.:	1251
Vendor:	California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Oakland, California
Work Project Title:	Cooperative Agreement – Funding for Plans, Specifications, and Estimates (PS&E) and Right-of-Way (R/W) phase activities for the West Oakland Link project: 04- 4W480 – Caltrans (\$2,500,000)
Purpose of Project:	The Project is proposing to construct a new Class I multi-use path between West Oakland and the existing San Francisco Bay Trail (Bay Trail) leading to the East Span of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge in Oakland.
Brief Scope of Work:	The cooperative agreement will define the roles and responsibilities of MTC, BATA, and Caltrans to complete the PS&E and R/W activities for the Project.
Project Cost Not to Exceed:	\$ 2,500,000
Funding Source:	BATA Toll Bridge
Fiscal Impact:	Funding is included in the FY 2025-2026 BATA Toll Bridge Program Capital Budget.

Motion by Committee: That the Executive Director or designee is authorized to negotiate and enter into a cooperative agreement with Caltrans and BATA to complete the PS&E and R/W phase as described above and in the Regional Network Management Committee Summary Sheet dated January 9, 2026 subject to approval of the BATA Oversight Committee.

Regional Network
Management Committee:

Alicia John-Baptiste, Chair

Approved: January 9, 2026