



Napa County

Spring 2015 Public Engagement Open House Comments, by County

Open House: Thursday, May 7, 2015
6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Elks Lodge, Napa

Goals and Targets Station Feedback

At the **Goals and Targets Station**, participants received information about the current goals and targets for Plan Bay Area, as well as the process underway to update them. Participants were asked to select their top three personal priorities from the list of current goals and targets for Plan Bay Area, and to post their other ideas on an adjoining additional board.

Below are the responses when tallied across the nine-county region, and the tally from participants at the Napa County Open House.



Question: Is anything missing from these goals? *Below are responses from the Napa County Open House.*

Preserve hillsides in Napa Valley

Look at impacts on natural resources and agriculture from scenarios

Question: What are the biggest challenges facing your community? The Bay Area? *Below are responses from the Napa County Open House.*

Affordable housing

Workforce housing

Farm labor housing

Sports fields for kids to use for soccer/football/games

Question: What are your ideas for solving these challenges? *Below are responses from the Napa County Open House.*

More walkable neighborhoods that are affordable

Bicycle safety — widen shoulders on Highway 29 and on the Silverado Trail

Transportation Station Feedback

How should we support the mobility needs of Bay Area residents now and over the next quarter-century? The Transportation Station included displays about currently planned local and regional transportation projects (highways, public transit, bicycle/pedestrian, local road improvements, etc.). On an accompanying board, participants were asked to post ideas for new projects, then to share their biggest transportation challenges and offer solutions for improving their trips.

Question: What projects are missing? What would make it easier for you to get where you need to go? *Below are responses from the Napa County Open House.*

More frequent transit

More protected bikeways

Turnabouts = roundabouts

We need an interchange at Highway 29/Highway 12 intersection for the long-term plan

Question: What are the biggest transportation challenges in your town? In the Bay Area? What would make it better? *Below are responses from the Napa County Open House.*

Four- to six-lane flyover American Canyon SR 29

20+ transit agencies are not coordinated. There should be one overseeing transit agency.

Need to implement the Campos amendment for transit operations.

MTC should give NCTPA \$1 Billion in OBAG 2 \$\$\$

Looking Ahead Station Feedback

To plan for how best to invest in transportation and housing in the future, local agencies, regional agencies, private businesses and community organizations need information on what to expect: Who will live in the Bay area and where? Where will they work? What kinds of jobs and incomes will be available?

At the Looking Ahead Station, participants received information on how ABAG develops population and economy forecasts, as well as how past projections compared to actual numbers. Participants were asked to share their feedback on two key questions:

Question: What possibilities most excite you (about the future of your community)?

Below are responses from the Napa County Open House.

More extended transit in the Bay Area

Question: What concerns you about the future of your community? *Below are responses from the Napa County Open House.*

Are populations of people going to get pushed out of Oakland the way they did in SF based on expensive housing/renting costs?

The affordability of housing

Not enough affordable places to live that are near jobs

Why isn't there one transit authority like Europe to make transit easier?

Feedback Via Written Comment Forms

Some participants submitted additional comments via a comment form available at the open houses. *Below are comments received at the Napa County Open House.*

Very informative – hoping something will be done to stop hillside stripping in Napa Valley.

Please put cities at a glance on ABAG website (so that Napa County website can link data).

In all metrics, please stratify the data by finer grains of differentiation (e.g., income strata, race/ethnic group, renter/owner, age, distance to transit). Vital signs needs more of this, too.

Consider a light rail train on the old railroad tracks from Vallejo to Calistoga.

Widen shoulders for better/safer bicycle travel between Calistoga and Napa.

We need Highway 12/29 interchange for safety.
