

Attachment C: Draft Transit Strategies for Plan Bay Area 2050+

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T1: Operate and Maintain the Existing System

T1 Strategy Objective:

Provide a strong baseline upon which new transportation strategies in the Final Blueprint can build. This includes ensuring that the region's road and transit assets are kept in a condition that is similar to what we have in the Bay Area today.

T1 Short Description:

Commit to operate and maintain the Bay Area's roads and transit infrastructure while transitioning to zero-emission transit vehicles.

T1 Long Description:

Set aside the funding required to maintain existing conditions for freeways, bridges, local streets, and transit assets and to operate the same number of transit service hours that were in operation as of 2023. Funding includes investments to support the transition to zero-emission transit vehicles. This strategy would include investments that make transit stations and vehicles safer, cleaner, and more accessible – with investments targeted at meeting the needs of transit-dependent or limited mobility passengers.

T2: Improve the Rider Experience through Transit Network Integration

T2 Strategy Objective:

Grow ridership by making transit easier to navigate and use, while reducing the cost burden of taking transit for all riders, particularly those with low household incomes.

T2 Short Description:

Deliver regionwide efforts to improve the rider experience, including an integrated fare structure, unified mapping and wayfinding, and improved paratransit services.

T2 Long Description:

Fund and implement regionwide initiatives intended to improve the rider experience through transit network integration. Investments will include the implementation of a no-cost and reduced cost interagency transfer policy with Next Generation Clipper and additional measures to move toward an integrated fare structure. Investments will also include the development of regionally maintained tools, such as the Regional Mapping Data System and the installation of new more consistent transit signs. Paratransit investments include implementation of one-seat paratransit ride pilots across the region, full integration of ADA paratransit services on Clipper Next Generation, and additional reforms recommended by the Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan.

T3: Improve the Rider Experience through Refined Transfer Timing at Key Regional Hubs**T3 Strategy Objective:**

Increase the viability and attractiveness of transit by providing a more seamless experience for riders to transfer between different services at key transfer points throughout the region.

T3 Short Description:

Deliver regionwide efforts to improve the coordination of inter-agency schedules, refine transfer timing at key regional hubs, and upgrade facilities to encourage easier transfers.

T3 Long Description:

Fund and implement service enhancements to facilitate schedule coordination and improved transfer timing key regional hubs, while achieving synergies with co-located mobility hub investments funded elsewhere in Plan Bay Area 2050+. Investments include enhancements to the physical infrastructure at 15 key regional hubs to improve the transfer experience for transit riders, and better connect riders to biking, micro-mobility and walking options. Investments also include short-term operating assistance and technical resources to allow for increased service for key transfer routes.

T4: Enhance Security Measures and Improve Safety and Cleanliness on Transit

T4 Strategy Objective:

Establish a safe, secure and clean environment for riders onboard transit vehicles and those waiting at transit facilities, while simultaneously reducing a key barrier to transit for all residents, particularly those currently less inclined to ride transit.

T4 Short Description:

Improve infrastructure and operations around safety, personal security, and cleanliness in the transit environment.

T4 Long Description:

Fund and implement improvements to safety and security measures and infrastructure related to transit stations, stops, and vehicles. Investments include the installation of security cameras and improved lighting at stations and stops, and additional improvements in facilities to support safety and security. Investments also include an increase in staffing for security and police staff, non-sworn positions such as ambassadors and crisis intervention specialists, and janitorial and custodial staff. Additionally, investments will be dedicated to public awareness safety campaign programs.

T10: Enhance Transit Frequency, Capacity and Reliability

T10 Strategy Objective:

Improve the vitality and viability of existing transit services throughout the Bay Area by providing increased frequency, improved reliability and greater capacity, to reduce wait time, decrease travel time, and encourage ridership growth.

T10 Short Description:

Improve the quality and availability of existing transit services, including improvements for equity priority populations.

T10 Long Description:

Fund and implement service enhancements on existing transit systems and infrastructure that improve frequency, reliability and capacity throughout the region. Service enhancements include frequency boosts, improvements to span of service, transit priority treatments, grade separations, and other measures that would decrease travel time for transit riders. Enhancements include both operational and capital investments for all modes of transit, with a particular focus on serving equity priority populations.

T11: Expand Transit Services throughout the Region

T11 Strategy Objective:

Encourage a mode shift from personal vehicles to transit by providing reliable transit services to connect riders to areas of the Bay Area that have previously not been effectively served by existing transit options.

T11 Short Description:

Better connect communities by strategically expanding transit services to new markets and previously unserved or underserved areas, including the addition of new infrastructure.

T11 Long Description:

Advance, fund and implement transformational capital projects that will expand the existing network to better connect communities throughout the Bay Area by serving new markets or currently underserved markets. These projects will seize on the opportunity to catalyze areas of population growth in the region, and will position the Bay Area for an increase in transit ridership and provide competitive alternatives to driving.