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## I. Executive Summary

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) began working in 2014 to update Plan Bay Area, the long-term Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) for the San Francisco Bay Area. The update — known as Plan Bay Area 2040 — considers how and where the region should accommodate growth projected for the next 24 years. The Plan is developed to conform to federal and state regulations, including California legislation from 2008 (Senate Bill 375, Steinberg), which requires each of the state's 18 metropolitan areas to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from cars and light trucks. Under Senate Bill 375, the Bay Area must develop a Sustainable Communities Strategy — a new element of the regional transportation plan — that strives to reach the greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction target established by the California Air Resources Board. The law also requires the region to plan for housing 100 percent of its projected population at all income levels.

#### Public Engagement a Key Element of Plan Bay Area 2040

A comprehensive program of public involvement activities is a key part of our long-range planning process. Extensive outreach with local government officials is required, as well as a federal Public Participation Plan that details opportunities for the public to be involved in the Plan's development. Engagement activities include workshops in each county and public hearings on the draft prior to adoption of a final plan.

Thousands of people have participated in public open houses and other public meetings, telephone and internet surveys, and more. The region's 101 cities and nine counties also participated in the development of the Plan, as did fellow regional agencies, the Bay Conservation and Development Commission and the Bay Area Air Quality Management District. Community-based organizations and advocacy groups representing the diverse interests of the Bay Area were active participants throughout the process, as were some three dozen regional transportation partners. Officials representing Native American Tribes were also consulted (those activities are summarized in a separate report).

This report documents the four phases of public involvement activities:

- 1. Phase One: Public Participation Plan (2014-15)
- 2. Phase Two: Goals and Targets (2015)
- 3. Phase Three: Scenario Planning (2016)
- 4. Phase Four: Draft Plan Bay Area 2040 (2017)

Following are highlights of activities from the overall engagement effort:

- 27 open houses in the nine Bay Area counties that drew nearly 1,500 participants over the three rounds of open houses (three open houses per county)
- One statistically valid telephone poll in spring of 2016 that reached out to more than 2,000 Bay Area residents from all nine counties and conducted in English, Spanish and Chinese
- Six public hearings to gather input on the plan's environmental impact report (EIR)
- A regional housing summit attended by some 300 Bay Area public officials, community leaders and interested residents to consider ideas and best practices for alleviating the region's housing affordability crisis
- Ongoing meetings with local elected officials, local planning directors and officials from congestion management and transit agencies as well as staff from environmental protection agencies, including 10 presentations to elected officials on the Draft Plan

- Partnerships with community-based organizations (CBOs) in low-income communities and communities of color that featured presentations by CBO leaders directly to MTC and ABAG decision makers, 168 completed online surveys ranking planning scenarios and five focus groups with 70 residents to discuss the Draft Plan
- An active web presence, including nearly 255,000 page views by 63,000 unique visitors to the PlanBayArea.org and 2040.planbayarea.org websites between July 2014 and July 2017 (60 percent of visitors were new visitors)
- An active social media presence with a total of 28 paid campaigns on Facebook and Twitter
- Online "Build a Better Bay Area" survey taken by some 920 participants helped illustrate policy and fiscal tradeoffs associated with three different future growth and transportation scenarios
- Nine videos produced, posted online explain the planning process and challenge facing the region
- Release of the Draft Plan and Draft EIR in March and April of 2017, including a PDF version of the Draft Plan and a web site (2040.planbayarea.org/) that showcases the plan document in its entirety in a web-based format making it easier to read on tablets and mobile phones in English, Spanish or Chinese
- The Plan was discussed at a total of 195 public meetings during its development.

Table 1 shows the number of participants at key public engagement events. Table 2 lists special public workshops at which the Plan was discussed, plus public meetings of ABAG's and MTC's policy boards and advisory committees where the Plan was on the agenda through adoption in 2017.

**Table 1: Participation in Key Public Engagement Events** 

Event	Date(s)	Estimated Attendance/ Participants
<b>Spring 2015 Open Houses:</b> Nine open houses around the region	April 29, 2015 through May 28, 2015	600
Scenario Concepts Special Workshops: Regional Advisory Working Group and Regional Planning Committee	October 6 and October 7, 2015	130
Housing Forum: Calling the Bay Area Home: Tackling the Affordable Housing and Displacement Challenge	Saturday, February 20, 2016	300
<b>Telephone Survey:</b> Conducted in English, Spanish & Chinese by phoning registered voters in all nine counties	March/April 2016	2,048
<b>Spring 2016 Open Houses:</b> Nine open houses around the region	May 26, 2016 through June 14, 2016	455
Build a Better Bay Area Online Quiz: Online survey on three alternative scenarios; Includes 204 responses from surveys conducted by community-based organizations	Data collected between May 26, 2016 and September 16, 2016	921
Scoping Meetings (public hearings) on Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR): Oakland, San Jose, Santa Rosa	Three scoping meetings: May 26, May 31 and June 2, 2016	60
<b>Spring 2017 Open Houses:</b> Nine open houses around the region	May 4, 2017 through May 22, 2017	410
Public Hearings on Draft Plan Bay Area 2040 and Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR): San Francisco, San Jose and Vallejo	Three public hearings: May 12, May 16 and May 18, 2017	55
Community-hosted Focus Groups: Five focus groups (Alameda, Contra Costa, Santa Clara, Solano counties)	Five focus groups: May 2, 2017 thru May 18, 2017	70

Table 2: Plan Bay Area 2040 Public Meetings

Meeting/Event	Special Workshop or Open House	ABAG/MTC Policy & Advisory Committees with Plan Bay Area 2040 on agenda	Totals
2014			
Public Meeting: Approach to the 2015 Public Participation Plan Update (Oct. 8, 2014)	1		1
MTC Policy Advisory Council		4	4
ABAG Regional Planning Committee		3	3
Regional Advisory Working Group		1	1
ABAG Administrative/MTC Planning Committee		1	1
ABAG Executive Board		3	3
2015			
Spring 2015 Open Houses: all nine counties	9		9
MTC Policy Advisory Council		6	6
ABAG Regional Planning Committee		2	2
Regional Advisory Working Group		8	8
Plan Bay Area 2040 Performance Working Group		6	6
Regional Equity Working Group		6	6
The Bay Area Partnership Board		1	1
The Partnership Technical Advisory Committee		3	3
ABAG Administrative/MTC Planning Committee		8	8
ABAG Executive Board		5	5
MTC Commission		4	4
2016			
Housing Forum: Calling the Bay Area Home (Saturday, Feb. 20, 2016)	1		1
Spring 2016 Open Houses: all nine counties	9		9
Environmental Impact Report Scoping Meetings: Oakland, San Jose, Santa Rosa	3		3
MTC Policy Advisory Council		8	8
ABAG Regional Planning Committee		4	4
Regional Advisory Working Group		7	7
Regional Equity Working Group		3	3
Native American Tribal Consultation	1		1

Meeting/Event	Special Workshop or Open House	ABAG/MTC Policy & Advisory Committees with Plan Bay Area 2040 on agenda	Totals
The Bay Area Partnership		5	5
The Partnership Technical Advisory Committee		6	6
ABAG Administrative/MTC Planning Committee		5	5
MTC Planning Committee		6	6
Bay Area Regional Collaborative		1	1
ABAG Executive Board		7	7
MTC Commission		3	3
MTC Commission Workshop	2		2
ABAG Executive Board/MTC Commission		1	1
2017			
Spring 2017 Open Houses: all nine counties	9		9
Public Hearings on Draft Plan Bay Area 2040 and	3		3
on Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)			
Community-Hosted Focus Groups	5		5
Presentations to Elected Officials (with county	10		10
Congestion Management Agencies)		_	_
MTC Policy Advisory Council		5	5
ABAG Regional Planning Committee		1	1
Regional Advisory Working Group		5	5
Regional Equity Working Group		3	3
Air Quality Conformity Task Force		3	3
The Partnership Technical Advisory Committee		1	1
Native American Tribal Consultation	1		1
ABAG Administrative/MTC Planning Committee		4	4
ABAG Executive Board		1	1
ABAG Executive Board/MTC Commission		1	1
Totals			195

## II. Public Participation Plan (2014)

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission's public involvement process aims to give the public ample opportunities for early and continuing participation in critical transportation projects, plans and decisions, and to provide full public access to key decisions. Engaging the public early and often in the decision-making process is critical to the success of any transportation plan or program, and is required by numerous state and federal laws, as well as by the Commission's own internal procedures.

MTC's Public Participation Plan (PPP), updated by the Commission every four years in advance of the update to the region's long-range transportation plan, spells out the process for providing the public and interested parties with reasonable opportunities to be involved in the regional transportation planning process. The Public Participation Plan, as well as its Appendix A that is specific to Plan Bay Area 2040, was updated with input from the public, as described below.

## A. Public Participation Plan Leads Plan Bay Area Update

In July 2014, MTC and ABAG introduced a general approach for the next update to the region's long-range transportation plan, known as Plan Bay Area 2040. For this planning cycle, the proposed approach was to conduct a limited and focused update of Plan Bay Area, building off the core framework established by the Plan adopted in 2013. One key difference between the 2013 Plan and Plan Bay Area 2040 is that the latter does not require adoption of a Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA), which was required in 2013, and which will be included again in the 2021 update. The RHNA process necessitates a great deal of outreach and planning work that was not needed for Plan Bay Area 2040. The proposed approach and tasks for the 2017 update were discussed at a number of meetings and the feedback received helped inform the content and structure of the Public Participation Plan, which was released for public comment in November 2014.

## B. Public Engagement on the Public Participation Plan

MTC held an evening public meeting on October 8, 2014, to hear comments and suggestions for improving public engagement. ABAG staff held discussions at their Executive Committee and Regional Planning Committee, as well as at county delegate meetings. Likewise, staff sought ideas from MTC's Policy Advisory Council, the Regional Advisory Working Group, and congestion management agency planning directors. Staff also launched an online survey and comment forum, and surveyed the public at numerous community events around the region.

In response to comments, the Draft Public Participation Plan spotlights the process and significance of various milestones in development of Plan Bay Area 2040, the roles of various agencies, and opportunities for public comment.

MTC released its Draft Public Participation Plan for public comment on November 7, 2014. Revisions to the Draft provided requested clarification or expanded upon public participation opportunities. The final Public Participation Plan was adopted by the Commission as MTC Resolution No. 4174, on February 13, 2015.

## C. Key Messages Heard

We received nearly 100 comments on the PPP, including several from MTC's Policy Advisory Council and the Regional Advisory Working Group. A memo, including a summary of comments and responses as well as the adopted Public Participation Plan, can be found at this link:

https://mtc.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=5284008&GUID=A68319B0-2210-439D-ABA5-A4CAF5CB8584.

#### Comments fell into the following themes:

Be Specific — A number of comments asked for more detail in the PPP, including showing more explicitly how public comments are factored into the decision-making process. The 2017 PPP includes strategies directing staff to summarize comments to highlight areas of consensus and areas of disagreement so that Commissioners and the public have a clear understanding of the depth and breadth of opinion on a given issue. The 2017 PPP also calls for meeting minutes that reflect public comments and for staff documentation of how comments are considered in MTC's decisions, as well as information about how public meetings and participation are helping to shape or have contributed to MTC's key decisions and actions. The 2017 PPP also calls for explaining the rationale when outcomes don't correspond to the views expressed.

Localize the Plan Bay Area Message — One theme expressed the need to communicate the plan and related issues via a local framework to explain why Plan Bay Area matters in a given community and/or county.

Involve Under-served Communities — Many noted the importance of taking the time to work with low-income communities and communities of color over the long term to build capacity and allow for more effective participation. The Final Draft PPP calls for continued partnerships with community-based organizations to involve residents in communities that might not otherwise participate. Likewise, based on several comments, the 2017 PPP includes revised language to form a Regional Equity Working Group similar to a panel used during the last process.

More Access to Meetings — A number of commenters asked for better access to meetings, whether inperson or via live and interactive web streaming. Several suggested holding meetings at locations that are convenient and accessible, including by public transit. While the 2017 PPP does not go into great detail on meeting formats or locations, it does call for holding meetings at varied times and locations that are convenient to more residents. It also calls for use of interactive web features.

Evaluate and Improve — Another theme called for evaluation of the previous Plan Bay Area process and reviews of each phase of the upcoming Plan Bay Area public engagement process to identify what is likely to work and what needs to be improved. MTC and ABAG did review each phase of the last Plan Bay Area public process and completed a comprehensive evaluation after the Plan was approved. Those reviews helped shape the 2017 PPP, and we anticipate continuing this practice moving forward.

Specific Plan Bay Area Topics — Many of the comments touched on specific issues to be addressed during the Plan Bay Area update that did not directly relate to public participation. When possible, we explained opportunities in the upcoming Plan Bay Area update to address these concerns.

## **III. Ongoing Engagement Activities**

## A. Plan Bay Area 2040 Advisory Structure

Throughout the development of Plan Bay Area 2040, ABAG and MTC regularly consulted with a number of advisory groups to hear from a range of perspectives and get early input. These advisory bodies include a Regional Advisory Working Group, MTC's Policy Advisory Council, and ABAG's Regional Planning Committee. The agencies also conducted a workshop for city managers and top officials from a range of local government and transportation agencies.

#### Regional Advisory Working Group

In 2014, the Regional Advisory Working Group (RAWG) — an ad hoc regional working group formed in 2010 to advise regional agency staff on the first Plan Bay Area — was called together to meet again to offer insights and comments on Plan Bay Area 2040. The RAWG is a mix of planning staff representatives of local government, county-level congestion management agencies (CMAs), transit agencies, state and regional agencies, and a wide range of stakeholder representatives. Specifically, each county was asked to nominate at least one planning director to attend and participate for the duration of the process. In addition, representatives of various stakeholder groups — including affordable housing, businesses, developers, equity, public health and environmental groups — also participate. All RAWG meetings are open to the public, and anyone attending who wishes to directly participate and comment on the discussion is encouraged to do so.

Beginning in September 2014 through July 2017, the RAWG met a total of 21 times. The working group reviewed and commented on:

- MTC's Public Participation Plan
- Plan Bay Area 2040 process and schedule
- Forecasting methodology
- · Goals and targets
- Needs assessment and call for transportation projects
- Methodology for evaluating performance of transportation projects
- Financial assumptions for transportation projects
- Goods Movement, Regional Prosperity and Transit Core Capacity plans
- Housing affordability and displacement of long-time residents
- Alternative long-range planning scenarios
- Preferred housing and transportation investment scenario
- Regional framework for ensuring equity for low-income communities and communities of color
- ABAG's regional housing action agenda
- Compelling case review for low-performing transportation projects
- Employment growth assumptions
- Setting transportation and land use performance targets and indicators
- Priority Development Area assessment
- Vision scenario planning approach
- The Draft Plan and its Action Plan and proposed revisions after public input

Meetings of the Regional Advisory Working Group are open to the public. More information can be found on MTC's website: <a href="http://mtc.ca.gov/about-mtc/what-mtc/mtc-organization/partnership-committees/regional-advisory-working-group">http://mtc.ca.gov/about-mtc/what-mtc/mtc-organization/partnership-committees/regional-advisory-working-group</a>.

#### MTC Policy Advisory Council

The mission of MTC's 27-member Policy Advisory Council is to advise MTC on transportation policies in the San Francisco Bay Area, incorporating diverse perspectives relating to the environment, the economy and social equity. One of the key topics for the Council has been the development of Plan Bay Area. Through July 2017, the group discussed Plan Bay Area 2040 at 23 of their meetings. The Council provided feedback and commented on setting greenhouse gas emissions reduction targets; MTC's Draft Public Participation Plan; setting transportation and land use performance targets and indicators; housing affordability and displacement of long-time residents; and the scenario planning approach as well as the Draft Plan and its Action Plan. In addition, the Council's Equity and Access Subcommittee participated as part of the Regional Equity Working Group.

All Policy Advisory Council meetings are webcast and archived on MTC's website. Meetings are open to the public. More information is available on MTC's website: <a href="http://mtc.ca.gov/about-mtc/what-mtc/mtc-organization/policy-advisory-council">http://mtc.ca.gov/about-mtc/what-mtc/mtc-organization/policy-advisory-council</a>.

#### **ABAG Regional Planning Committee**

The Regional Planning Committee (RPC) is a standing committee of ABAG that hears Bay Area planning issues of regional concern and makes recommendations to the ABAG Executive Board, including development of Plan Bay Area. The Regional Planning Committee is comprised of 36 members, including: a minimum of 18 elected officials from the nine Bay Area Counties; representatives of the four regional agencies; and stakeholders representing business, minorities, economic development, recreation/open space, environment, public interest, housing, special districts, and labor. The Committee meets alternate months during the day at ABAG's offices in San Francisco. Meetings are open to the public. From June 2014 through July 2017, the RPC met 10 times to advise on a range of Plan Bay Area 2040 matters, including the Draft Public Participation Plan; development of performance targets and indicators; an infrastructure needs assessment for priority development areas; and the Draft Plan and its Action Plan.

#### The Partnership Board

This group of top executives from Bay Area transit operators, county congestion management agencies and public works departments, as well as regional, state and federal transportation, environmental, resource-protection and land use agencies, advises MTC periodically on key planning issues, including Plan Bay Area 2040. Staff level working groups meet occasionally on issues such as local roads, public transit and transportation finance. The Partnership Board met six times on Plan Bay Area 2040 leading up to the release of the Draft Plan in 2017.

#### The Partnership Technical Advisory Committee

The Partnership Technical Advisory Committee, or PTAC, consists of staff from partnership agencies described above, with whom MTC consults on transportation planning and policy matters. PTAC considered issues related to Plan Bay Area 2040 at three meetings in 2015, six meetings in 2016 and once in 2017. PTAC members also participated in meetings of the Regional Advisory Working Group.

#### Local, State and Federal Government Engagement

In developing the update to Plan Bay Area, ABAG and MTC strive to promote an open, transparent process that encourages the ongoing and active participation of local jurisdictions, state and federal agencies, and a broad range of interest groups and individuals from the general public.

As noted in the advisory structure above, local government staff and representatives from environmental and resource management agencies -- as well as non-government agencies,

organizations and individuals -- have all been involved in the multi-year planning effort. Planning staffs from both ABAG and MTC have also met directly with local planning directors, public works staff and other key local officials throughout the development of Plan Bay Area 2040. Federal resource protection agencies, land management agencies and freight interests, as well as conservation and historic preservation groups, were notified of opportunities to comment on issues relevant to the development of the Plan and its companion Environmental Impact Report.

In addition, ABAG's Executive Board members convened meetings of local ABAG delegates to share information and hear comments throughout the process. In late 2016, MTC and ABAG staff held briefings for local jurisdictions to present and hear comments on the Draft Preferred Scenario and Investment Strategy. Presentations were made to all county congestion management agencies in fall 2016, and 17 jurisdictions requested one-on-one meetings as well. Elected officials from each Bay Area county also were invited to a presentation by MTC and ABAG staff on the Draft Plan held in each county and hosted by the county congestion management agencies.

#### Private Sector Involvement

During development of the plan, staff also presented information to private community organizations, freight groups, local nonprofits and technology companies, including the Bay Area Council, San Francisco Planning and Urban Research (SPUR), the Bay Area League of Women Voters, and technology companies such as Google and Facebook.

## B. Community-Based Partnerships

MTC contracted with five community-based organizations (CBOs) in 2015 after a competitive procurement process, to seek help from nonprofits in low-income communities and communities of color. The CBO groups participated in an initial round of public open houses and then offered MTC and ABAG advice on best practices for engaging their communities in subsequent phases of developing Plan Bay Area 2040. In 2016, they administered an online survey about future planning scenarios in one of three languages: English, Spanish and Chinese. At a special Listening Session on the draft scenarios in July 2016, the groups also made a presentation to a joint meeting of MTC's Planning and ABAG's Administrative Committee, discussing some of what they had heard from their communities about housing and transportation issues.

And one group, the Rose Foundation — with youth from the New Voices Are Rising Program — presented what they learned in terms of effective communication techniques and engagement in the

Plan Bay Area 2040 process to youth from around the region. The presentation was part of a Youth for the Environment and Sustainability, or YES! Conference, sponsored by MTC and the Bay Area Air Quality Management District.



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#### The five community organizations are listed below:

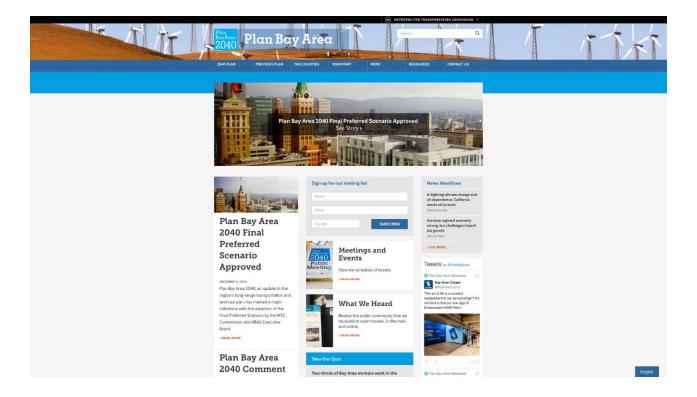
- 1. Richmond Main Street Initiative (Downtown Richmond and Iron Triangle/ Contra Costa County))
- 2. Rose Foundation for Communities & Environment, New Voices Are Rising (serves Oakland Youth/ Alameda County)
- 3. Sela Learning (serves Latino Community, Vallejo/ Solano County)
- 4. Sound of Hope Radio (serves Chinese Community, San Francisco Bay Area)
- 5. South Hayward Parish (food pantry, Southern Alameda County)

### C. PlanBayArea.org Website

In order to assist in and encourage public involvement, a website dedicated to the activities surrounding Plan Bay Area 2040 has been in place for the duration of the update to the Plan. Information related to all phases of the development of Plan Bay Area 2040, as well as information about Senate Bill 375 and the 2013 adopted Plan Bay Area, are all housed on the website: www.planbayarea.org. The website provides one "go-to" information source for Plan Bay Area 2040, as required under SB 375.

The website includes many interactive features, including an online comment forum, maps and videos. Residents can join the Plan Bay Area 2040 mailing list from the website to receive updates about the planning process. The site also provides handy links to the two regional agencies involved in developing the Plan: ABAG and MTC.

The website was updated prior to the release of the Draft Plan in 2017 in order to be mobile friendly and more accessible to participants who use their smartphones to access information about the Plan.



## D. Notifying the Public

In addition to the website, a number of other methods were used to notify the public about public meetings and other opportunities to comment on the development of the Plan. Prior to the evening meetings or Saturday open houses held in each county, the issues under discussion as part of Plan Bay Area 2040 were on the agendas of many public meetings of the two agencies' policy boards and advisory groups. (See Table 2 for a listing of such meetings.) In advance of the open houses, email blasts were sent to individuals who have asked to be kept informed about the Plan; postcards were mailed to a database list; display ads were purchased in major newspapers around the region; reporters were briefed about the Plan; and news releases announcing the Plan's milestones were translated into Spanish and Chinese and were sent in English, Spanish and Chinese to local media outlets. In addition to traditional media outreach, ads were purchased on social media sites. Additionally, other organizations and jurisdictions were encouraged to announce the meetings to their constituents and clients.



## E. Telephone Poll

Public opinion polling has been a key element of MTC's public involvement efforts in past regional transportation plans. Portions of a telephone survey of 2,048 Bay Area registered voters conducted in early 2016 also touched on issues related to Plan Bay Area 2040. The survey was conducted in English, Spanish and Chinese by phoning registered voters in all nine counties in March and April 2016. The margin of error for the survey was +/- 2.2%.

Notable is the overwhelming support among those surveyed for a regional plan for improving access to housing and transportation while reducing greenhouse gases and helping the economy. Eighty-three (83) percent of respondents said such a plan is important, 9 percent were neutral or did not know, and just 8 percent felt it was not important. When asked which component of the Plan was most important to the Bay Area's future, 58% of respondents selected providing access to housing and transportation for everyone, as shown in the two tables below.

#### Table 3: Importance of Plan Bay Area 2040

Full text read to respondents:

A long-term strategy for the entire Bay Area is currently being developed. The idea is to successfully plan the region's housing and transportation needs for the next 30 years. This plan is focused on: improving the local economy, reducing driving and greenhouse gases, and providing access to housing and transportation for everyone who needs it.

#### In general, how important do you think it is to establish this type of a regional plan?

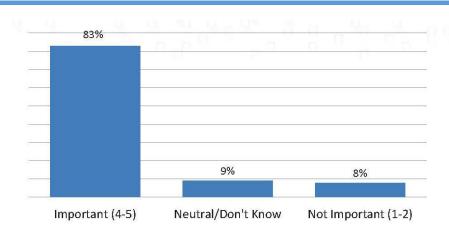


Table 4: Which Part of Plan Bay Area 2040 Is Most important to the Bay Area's Future

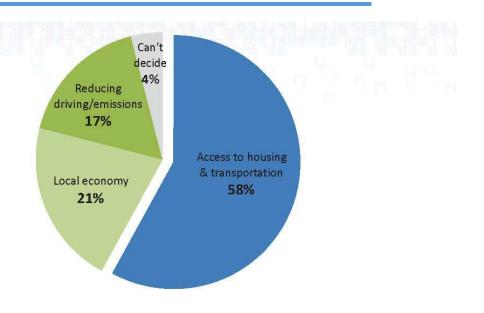
Full text read to respondents:

Which part of the plan is most important to the Bay Area's future:

Improving the local economy,

Reducing driving and greenhouse gases, or

Providing access to housing and transportation for everyone?



When asked to state if they agreed with particular statements, 72 percent of respondents agreed strongly or somewhat agreed with the statement that local and regional government agencies should play an active role in trying to attract jobs and promote the economy in the Bay Area. Other statements asked of respondents are shown below.

Table 5: Attitudinal Statements:
Share who agrees strongly or somewhat with each statement

(5 point scale used where 5 meant strongly agree and 1 meant strongly disagree)

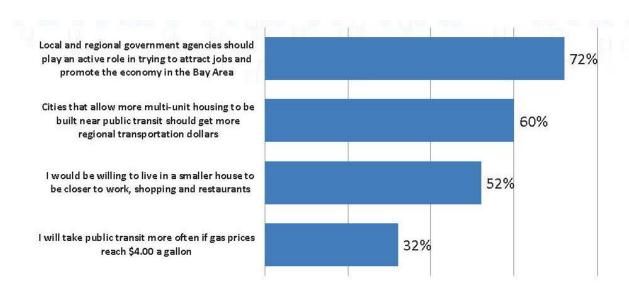


Table 6: Current Perception of Bay Area - Percentage share with rating as excellent or good

Respondents were asked to indicate how well the Bay Area is doing on a range of issues, each of which was rated on a 5-point scale where 5 is excellent and 1 is poor. Percentages below represent share who rated each issue as a 5 or 4.

ISSUE	% rating excellent/good
Preservation of open spaces and parks	58%
Economic growth and prosperity	54%
Air quality	54%
Quality of public transit services	29%
Upkeep and repair of Bay Area freeways	23%
Upkeep and repair of local roads	18%
Availability of affordable housing	6%

## F. Goods Movement, Airport, Seaport Engagement

The regional goods movement infrastructure in the Bay Area includes the nation's fifth largest container port (the Port of Oakland) and several specialized seaports; two of the most active air cargo airports in the Western U.S. (San Francisco International Airport and Oakland International Airport); major rail lines and rail terminals; and highways that carry some of the highest volumes of trucks in California. This infrastructure is of critical importance to the Northern California megaregion. As part of the development of Plan Bay Area 2040, MTC worked with and engaged agencies involved in these modes of transportation. Major seaports and airports in the region (Port of Oakland, Port of San Francisco, San Francisco International Airport and the Santa Clara County Roads and Airports Department) were on the mailing lists to receive updates on the Plan's environmental impact report, as well as information about meetings of the Regional Advisory Working Group -- an ad hoc group formed to advise staff on Plan Bay Area 2040.

MTC produced two reports related to goods movement and freight emissions. Recommendations from both of these freight plans fed into the development of Plan Bay Area 2040.

In partnership with the Bay Area Air Quality Management District, MTC produced a *Freight Emissions Reduction Action Plan*. MTC and the Air District assembled a task force comprised of key partners and local and state stakeholders, and created the *Freight Emissions Reduction Action Plan* over a 16-month period, starting in mid-2015. The task force evaluated several strategies and those deemed to have the best implementation and emissions reduction potential were recommended for small scale implementation. The final *Freight Emissions Reduction Action Plan* was released in October 2016 and is included as a supplemental report to Plan Bay Area 2040.

In partnership with the Alameda County Transportation Commission, MTC developed the *San Francisco Bay Area Goods Movement Plan*. MTC's goods movement research is closely integrated with the Alameda County Transportation Commission's countywide planning effort. The Port of Oakland, located in Alameda County, is the heart of the Bay Area's freight activity. The *San Francisco Bay Area Goods Movement Plan*, released in February 2016, outlines a long-range strategy for moving goods effectively within, to, from and through the Bay Area by roads, rail, air and water. The plan provides specific strategies — projects, programs and policies — focused on goods movement that will inform the longrange Plan Bay Area 2040. The Plan's two-year planning effort included direct outreach to obtain interest group opinions and perspectives at several points through the life of the Goods Movement Plan development. Additionally, Roundtable Meetings served as forums and information-exchange platforms to bring together participants from the Executive Team, Technical Team, interest groups and other interested stakeholders to address plan development and goods movement advocacy. Five roundtables occurred throughout the project. Stakeholders included representatives from the business, environment, social justice and public sectors.

## III. Building the Plan

There were many moving parts along the path of developing Plan Bay Area 2040. Early milestones included: goal setting; identification of statutory and voluntary targets; regional forecasts of demographic, transportation and economic trends; financial projections; and identification and evaluation of projects. Later phases included scenario analysis and release of the Draft Plan. The Public Participation Plan spelled out the expected timing for MTC's and ABAG's work in these areas, and all of these topics were discussed at many public meetings of MTC's and ABAG's policy and advisory committees.

## A. Goals and Targets (2015)

The first phase of work in late 2014 and 2015 included decisions on policies related to goals and performance targets, as well as development of regional forecasts of demographic, transportation and economic trends in order to inform and guide Plan Bay Area investments and policy decisions. This phase also included identification and assessment of potential transportation projects as well as the analysis of operating and maintenance needs of the region's transportation network.

#### 1. Open House Conversations

A round of public open houses in all nine counties of the San Francisco Bay Region was held in spring 2015 to engage the public on these topics. The open house format included displays that encouraged staff and policy board members from both MTC and ABAG to seek conversation and comments from members of the public.

The open houses were designed consistent with the adopted MTC 2015 Public Participation Plan, and with the following goals in mind:



- Introduce the Plan Bay Area 2040 update process, key milestones and issues under consideration
- Review the linkages between the regional plan and local transportation and land use priorities
- Review and seek comments on the goals and performance framework for the 2040 update
- Conduct the open houses in the evenings at convenient, transit-accessible locations
- Maximize interaction with the public, provide personalized attention and gather as much feedback as possible



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**Table 7: 2015 Open Houses by County** 

County	Date/Time	Location	Estimated Attendance
Alameda	Wednesday, April 29, 2015 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.	Alameda County Fairgrounds Palm Pavilion, 4501 Pleasanton Ave. Pleasanton	90
Contra Costa	Wednesday, April 29, 2015 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.	Marriott 2355 North Main Street, Walnut Creek	80
Marin	Thursday, May 28, 2015 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.	Marin County Civic Center Café 3501 Civic Center Drive, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor San Rafael	80
Napa	Thursday, May 7, 2015 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.	Elks Lodge 2840 Soscol Avenue, Napa	35
San Francisco	Wednesday, May 13, 2015 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.	Hotel Whitcomb 1231 Market Street, San Francisco	85
San Mateo	Wednesday, May 6, 2015 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.	San Mateo County Event Center Event Pavilion 1346 Saratoga Drive, San Mateo	70
Santa Clara	Wednesday, May 6, 2015 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.	Berryessa Community Center 3050 Berryessa Road, San Jose	65
Solano	Thursday, May 7, 2015 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.	Hilton Garden Inn 2200 Gateway Court, Fairfield	30
Sonoma	Thursday, May 7, 2015 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.	Friedman Center 4676 Mayette Avenue, Santa Rosa	65
		TOTALS:	600

# GENERAL OPEN HOUSE FEEDBACK

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"Great forum. The setup of having each station accessible at any time with sticky notes to voice personal opinions is a fantastic way to educate the public."

"Hold events closer to transit."

"This was an excellent format for the 1st public workshop. The boards that were customized to each county are great. The interactive exercises (post dots, post-it comments, etc.) were great."

"Where is the presentation?"

Topics at the open houses included:

- Plan Bay Area 101: Conveyed information about the process, schedule and decision milestones.
- Goals and Targets: Participants selected their top three personal priorities from the list of current goals and targets for Plan Bay Area, and they also commented on any missing goals and shared challenges facing their community, as well as potential solutions.
- County Focus: Presented customized, county-based information with socio-economic data, transportation statistics and information on locally nominated Priority Development Areas.
- Transportation: Residents viewed information about major regional transportation projects as well as currently planned local projects and programs, then commented on projects that were missing and shared their greatest mobility challenges and ideas for improving trips.
- Looking Ahead: Detailed how ABAG develops population and economic forecasts; participants shared their greatest concerns about their community and commented on aspects of the future that show promise.
- Live, Work, Play: Attendees plotted their homes, places of work and favorite leisure destinations on a large map of the region.

Some 600 Bay Area residents attended the first series of open houses to kick off the Plan Bay Area 2040 update. Some 60 individuals participated online. A complementary Plan Bay Area Open Forum allowed residents to view the same information and comment online. Open house participants posted their comments on display boards, voted for their personal priorities with respect to goals and targets adopted in the current Plan Bay Area (adopted in 2013), and filled out comment sheets to elaborate on their positions.



#### What We Heard: Overarching Themes

A summary of what we heard at the open houses and the online comments was presented to the MTC and ABAG policy makers at the June 2015 joint meeting of the MTC Planning Committee and the ABAG Administrative Committee. Materials from that meeting can be found here:

https://mtc.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=3802342&GUID=97A7E96E-84F9-4A15-8C96-1D7D13F94701

Major themes heard at the open houses and online comments included:

- Transportation system effectiveness ranked as the top priority among current Plan Bay Area goals.
- Adequate housing was a strong second priority for goals; participants are especially concerned about the affordability and availability of housing, and many expressed concern over the potential for displacement of long-time residents.
- Many noted the lack of housing near available jobs and the resulting need to commute long distances to work, often in heavily congested traffic. Many cited the need for more jobs that pay livable wages.
- For transportation, people would like to see more transit alternatives (especially BART), as well
  as extended hours of transit service. They prioritized efforts to ensure reliability and
  connectivity of the transportation network as well as the infrastructure needed to support
  bicycling and walking.
- Some residents requested goals around prioritizing cars, protecting property rights, and improving education. Others expressed concern about the impact of additional housing growth on infrastructure and services as well as on the environment.
- The North Bay counties of Napa, Solano and Sonoma prioritized preservation of agricultural lands and open space as a goal (Solano residents ranked it as the top priority).
- Water supply was the top issue identified by participants as missing from the current goals.
- Some expressed the view that climate protection should be an overall goal and that all the other goals should support this. A few noted that the goals seem rather technical and uninspiring.

#### Feedback: Prioritizing Goals & Targets



Some felt that all the goals are important; others felt that Climate Protection should be the overall goal with others supporting it. One noted, "These goals don't pull at my heartstrings."

#### Feedback: Biggest Challenges

We asked: What are the biggest challenges facing your community?

- Overwhelmingly across all counties: the housing shortage and housing affordability
- Access to jobs, living wage jobs and job training for youth
- Other challenges identified include:
  - Access to public transit
  - Bicycle/pedestrian improvements and safety
  - Displacement of low-income residents
  - o **Safety** -- overall and seismic

We asked: What are your ideas for solving these challenges?

- Walkable communities, housing near transit & jobs, affordable housing, and complete streets
- Improve public transit, including:
  - Adding BART extensions
  - More robust, connected public transit systems
  - Rights of way and dedicated lanes for transit
  - o Smaller buses with more service
- Building more and safer bike friendly routes

#### Feedback: Transportation

We asked: What projects are missing?

- Transit improvements were overwhelmingly the most noted transportation need:
  - o **Transit coordination**: timed transfers, integrated fares
  - Greater transit affordability
  - Increased transit service (owl service) and expansion (BART, Caltrain, Amtrak)
  - Shuttles and other feeder bus services
- Increased access to safe biking routes and pedestrian amenities
- Highway improvements, particularly to US-101 and I-280
- Local road maintenance and expansion requests
- Parking and park and ride at major transit stations

We asked: What are your biggest transportation challenges?

- Overwhelmingly and across all counties:
  - o Transit reliability and coordination
  - Lack of options to driving
- Other challenges identified included:
  - o Length of commute
  - Quality of local roadways
  - Bike and pedestrian safety

#### Feedback: Looking Ahead

We asked: What concerns you about the future of your community?

- Overwhelmingly and across all counties, the housing shortage and housing affordability
- Access to quality jobs
- Displacement of low-income families

- Water supply
- Concerns about growth and development overwhelming services and infrastructure, creating congestion, being incompatible with existing neighborhoods

We asked: What excites you most about the future of your community?

- Walkable communities, complete streets and more housing
- Improvements to public transit and increased access to carless transportation
- Participants also cited the following:
  - More quality jobs
  - Access to open space
  - Increased attention to water issues
  - Increased bike infrastructure

#### 2. Adoption of Goals and Performance Targets

In line with the limited and focused nature of this update to Plan Bay Area, the goals and performance targets build upon the foundation of the prior Plan. Performance targets were again used to compare Plan scenarios, highlight tradeoffs between policy goals, analyze proposed investments, and flag issue areas where the Plan may fall short.

The draft staff recommendation for goals and performance targets was extensively informed by the open houses with the general public, as well as by meetings with key stakeholders. Staff worked with the Performance Working Group, whose members include representatives of local governments, transportation agencies, non-profit organizations, and MTC's Policy Advisory Council, to identify suitable measures and targets to address key issue areas. In addition, staff sought feedback directly from the public at each of the county workshops in April and May 2015, which generated valuable information about policy priorities for each Bay Area county.



Staff also worked closely with the Performance Working Group to hear ideas on better ways to assess performance. The project performance assessment identified high- and low-performing transportation investments and helped inform scenario development by identifying regional priorities.

MTC and ABAG approved the goals and nine of 13 performance targets. The remaining four performance targets were approved in November 2015. Please see the supplemental report, *Plan Bay Area 2040: Performance Assessment* for more detailed information.



## B. Housing Crisis Demands Special Housing Forum

With the housing crisis a central issue in the Plan Bay Area 2040 update, MTC and the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) teamed up to host a forum, "Calling the Bay Area Home: Tackling the Housing Affordability and Displacement Challenge," at the Oakland Marriott City Center on Saturday, February 20, 2016. The event brought together some 300 Bay Area residents, social justice advocates, developers, local elected officials, and regional transportation and land use planning agencies, and featured compelling personal accounts from Bay Area residents at risk of losing their homes due to skyhigh rents and lack of affordable housing options. The agenda also included a panel with representatives from the faith community, the building industry, academia and local government, as well as break-out discussions organized by sub-region that asked participants to identify their top ideas for alleviating the housing crisis. Lunchtime speakers from Washington, D.C. and Seattle helped to shed light on how other parts of the country are grappling with the challenge of rapidly rising housing costs.

Participants were encouraged to brainstorm their own solutions when they broke off in smaller group sessions by sub-region to tackle more local issues. Although San Francisco, the North Bay, the East Bay, the South Bay and the Peninsula are very different in terms of geography, population and types of employment, their subgroups came up with similar policy changes, including improving tenant rights, preserving existing housing stock, improving the jobs-housing link, finding new sources of funding, and expanding MTC's One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) funding to incentivize local governments to build more affordable housing.

Suggestions from the forum were considered in developing the alternative planning scenarios, and they also factor into development of some of the policies and action strategies proposed in the Draft Plan.

A recap of the forum, including videos and position papers, is available on the MTC website: http://mtc.ca.gov/whats-happening/news/february-forum-jumpstarts-conversation-housing-policy.



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## C. Scenario Planning (2016)

With the goals and targets clearly identified, MTC and ABAG moved forward to formulate possible scenarios — combinations of land use patterns and transportation investments — that could be evaluated together to see if (and by how much) they achieve (or fall short of) the performance targets.

#### 1. Draft Scenario Concepts

Scenarios show different options for how the Bay Area can grow and change over time in ways that help us meet our goals for a more prosperous, sustainable, and equitable region. Draft scenario concepts were reviewed as noted below.

#### Workshops on Concepts Kick-off Scenario Planning

On October 6 and October 7, 2015, ABAG and MTC held two scenario workshops at the Regional Advisory Working Group (RAWG) and ABAG's **Regional Planning Committee** meetings, respectively, to present and discuss three draft scenario concepts. Some 80 participants attended the RAWG workshop on October 6, representing a mix of staff from local planning agencies, transit operators, natural resource protection agencies, and county congestion management agency staff, as well as leaders from business, building, environmental,



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public health and social justice organizations. A number of members of MTC's Policy Advisory Council also joined the dialogue. Another 50 people attended the October 7 meeting of ABAG's Regional Planning Committee, which included a range of public sector, nonprofit and community representatives, as well as local elected officials.

After a short overview of the Plan Bay Area 2040 scenario development approach, participants at the workshops engaged in small-group discussions to provide feedback on the draft scenario concepts and to suggest housing, jobs and transportation policy strategies that would allow each scenario to be successful in achieving the same Plan Bay Area 2040 goals.

#### What We Heard About Scenario Concepts

Shown below are some of the highlights of what MTC and ABAG heard at the workshops. A memo to ABAG and MTC policy makers summarizing the scenario development process, along with a comment summary and presentation, can be found at this link:

https://mtc.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=4125614&GUID=6DEA539A-8798-4221-A315-A2EC61692027

# What We Heard from MTC and ABAG Advisors: Regional Advisory Working Group (RAWG) and Regional Planning Committee

#### **Goals and Aspirations for Scenario Planning**

- Plan for diverse, inclusive and supportive communities
- Preserve what is unique about each community
- Focus on vibrant downtowns and neighborhoods with clean, safe and attractive streets; more walking and activity on the streets; great parks, schools and lots of services
- Promote equitable community development that brings new life to neighborhoods without displacement
- Plan to improve public health and improve the health of the natural environment

#### **General Comments: Scenario Development Process**

- Appreciate ability to provide early input in the scenario process
- Include social equity as a guiding theme in each scenario
- Concern about achieving greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction and housing goals under any scenario
- Concern that policies to promote compact growth could lead to segregation
- Find solutions to region's challenges as they will be different in every city; need scalable solutions
- Provide examples of how the type of development discussed in each scenario concept worked in other regions
- Consider changing demographics (race, age, and lifestyle preferences, such as young people driving significantly less)
- Prioritize unincorporated communities and/or smaller communities that are not reflected in the scenarios
- Consider discussing tradeoffs -- what will the region gain and what is the region willing to give up?
- Provide the general public with an opportunity to have a discussion about scenario concepts before scenarios are solidified



Once refined, these scenario concept narratives provided a framework for the scenario alternatives, released in early 2016, and the focus of a series of open houses that spring.

## 2. Open Houses Focus on Three Alternative Growth Scenarios

From late May through June, some 1,100 Bay Area residents attended nine open houses hosted by MTC and ABAG or participated in an online survey to tell us what they thought about three alternative planning scenarios. The open house format featured displays and encouraged members of the public to seek conversation and offer comment to ABAG and MTC staff and policy board members. The Marin event also included presentations. Congestion management agencies, Caltrans and other public agencies also participated at the open houses.



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The open houses were designed to:

- Update the public on Plan Bay Area 2040 key milestones and issues
- Review and seek comments on three alternative growth scenarios to inform the decision on a preferred scenario
- Review connections between the regional plan and local transportation and land use priorities
- Maximize one-on-one interaction with the public and gather as much feedback as possible

**Table 8: 2016 Open Houses by County** 

County	Date/TIme	Location	Estimated Attendance
Alameda	Thursday, June 2, 2016 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	Joseph P. Bort MetroCenter Auditorium 101 8th Street, Oakland	75
Contra Costa	Thursday, May 26, 2016 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	East Bay Center for the Performing Arts 339 11th Street, Richmond	25
Marin	Saturday, June 4, 2016 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.	Corte Madera Community Center 498 Tamalpais Drive, Corte Madera	125
Napa	Thursday, June 9, 2016 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.	Elks Lodge 2840 Soscol Avenue, Napa	30
San Francisco	Tuesday, June 14, 2016 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	Hotel Whitcomb 1231 Market Street, San Francisco	65
San Mateo	Wednesday, June 1, 2016 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	City of Burlingame Recreation Center, Auditorium 850 Burlingame Avenue, Burlingame	35
Santa Clara	Thursday, May 26, 2016 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	The Tech Museum 201 South Market Street, San José	40
Solano	Monday, June 13, 2016 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.	Solano County Events Center 601 Texas Street, Fairfield	40
Sonoma	Monday, June 13, 2016 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.	Luther Burbank Center, Grand Lobby 50 Mark West Springs Road Santa Rosa	20
		TOTALS:	455

#### What We Heard

Open house participants posted comments on display boards, took an online survey and filled out comment sheets to elaborate on their positions. A companion "virtual" open house, dubbed Plan Bay Area Open Forum, allowed those unable to attend a meeting in person to offer comments from the convenience of their computer or mobile device.

You can view a presentation to MTC and ABAG policymakers in July 2016 summarizing what we heard from this phase of public engagement (memo, power point presentation, summary of comments by county, correspondence) at this link: http://planbayarea.org/your-part/your-comments.

Overall comment themes include:

#### Housing

- Strong support for more housing of all types, especially for low- and middle-income residents
- Major concern with lack of affordable housing and displacement of long-time residents, particularly in disadvantaged communities

- Suggestions for easing displacement included stronger policies for rent control, protection against evictions, inclusionary zoning and living wages
- A number of participants called for conditioning state or regional funding to ensure cities are approving sufficient low-income housing and adopting strong anti-displacement policies
- Many called for more streamlined approval processes for new housing
- Support for more robust transit-oriented development and more vibrant, walkable downtowns in cities of all sizes

#### **Transportation**

- Widespread support for public transit service going more places at increased frequencies
- Strong support for increased rail most notably BART, as well as Caltrain and commuter rail, and enhanced bus service, including bus rapid transit
- Support for electric vehicle charging stations
- Some expressed concern about transit crowding, called for a second Transbay tube
- Major concern about freeway and traffic congestion; many seek relief from long commutes
- Strong support for more robust bicycle and pedestrian facilities to lay the groundwork for a more carless future (though a small number strongly oppose investments in bicycles)

#### Other Considerations for Scenarios

- Results from the online scenarios survey as of June 20 show strongest support overall for the Big Cities Scenario (47 percent), with Connected Neighborhoods second (30 percent) and Main Streets third (23 percent). At the open houses, many suggested blending the Big Cities and Connected Neighborhoods scenarios.
- Many supported preserving open space and wildlife habitat with urban growth boundaries
- A few noted the need to plan for a growing number of older adults, including the need for quality senior housing and associated shuttles and transit
- Some suggested MTC and ABAG consider the "Environment, Equity and Jobs (EEJ) alternative" proposed by social equity advocates
- A few expressed opposition to regional planning and support for private property rights

### 3. Alternative Scenarios Also Focus of Online Survey and Forum

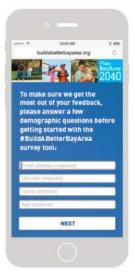
An online survey, "Build A Better Bay Area," focused on the three scenarios, while an online comment forum, Plan Bay Area Open Forum, allowed residents to view a virtual open house and comment online.

The Build A Better Bay Area quiz highlighted some of the trade-offs that policy makers grappled with as they considered the elements that should be included in Plan Bay Area 2040's preferred scenario. Responses to 10 quiz questions were tied to the three alternative scenarios: Main Streets, Connected Neighborhoods and Big Cities. Quiz questions mirrored the tough decisions facing the Bay Area as we adapt to the challenges of future population growth. The online tool, designed to be taken from any desktop or mobile device, was open to the public between May 26, 2016 and September 16, 2016.

Results from the online tool were reported to the July 2016 joint meeting of MTC's Planning Committee and ABAG's Administrative Committee, along with what we heard from the 455 Bay Area residents who attended nine open houses hosted by MTC and ABAG.

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Table 9: "Build A Better Bay Area" Online Survey: Total Responses by County

All Bay Area Survey Respondents		
Alameda County	318	
Contra Costa County	117	
Marin County	39	
Napa County	6	
San Francisco	134	
San Mateo County	47	
Santa Clara County	119	
Solano County	66	
Sonoma County	28	
Did not identify a Bay Area county	47	
TOTAL	921*	

<sup>\*</sup>Includes 204 responses from surveys conducted by community-based organizations. Responses from participants who answered fewer than half of the questions were removed from the final analysis.

Table 10: "Build A Better Bay Area" Online Survey: Response Breakdown by Scenario

Respondent	Number of Responses	Main Streets	Connected Neighborhoods	Big Cities
All Bay Area	921*	22%	30%	47%
CBOs	204	28%	31%	41%
Alameda County	318	23%	28%	47%
Contra Costa County	117	18%	35%	47%
Marin County	39	20%	37%	43%
Napa County	6	22%	30%	48%
San Francisco	134	19%	28%	52%
San Mateo County	47	22%	30%	49%
Santa Clara County	119	25%	29%	45%
Solano County	66	29%	26%	43%
Sonoma County	28	15%	33%	52%

<sup>\*</sup>Includes 204 responses from surveys conducted by community-based organizations. Responses from participants who answered fewer than half of the questions were removed from the final analysis.

#### 4. Community-Based Engagement Utilizes Online Survey

MTC also contracted with five community-based organizations (CBOs) working in low-income communities and communities of color to hear planning priorities from their residents. The CBOs, selected through a competitive process, used the Build a Better Bay Area online quiz to engage residents on the three alternative scenarios.

The final results from the online tool shown in the previous section include 204 responses from surveys conducted by community-based organizations. Representatives from the community organizations attended the July 8, 2016 joint meeting of the ABAG Administrative Committee and MTC Planning Committee to summarize what they heard from their communities.

#### Listening Session Featured Community-Based Youth Engagement

At the July 2016 Joint Meeting of the MTC Planning and ABAG Administrative committees, the public was encouraged to offer comments on the scenario alternatives under consideration. Youth from one of the five community-based organizations working with MTC to involve under-served communities – New Voices Are Rising – made a special presentation to policy makers. Representatives from three other community groups – Sela Learning, Sound of Hope Radio and South Hayward Parish – also spoke about some of what they had heard from their communities about housing and transportation issues.



#### 5. Selection of Final Preferred Scenario

In September 2016, staff released for public review and comment the Draft Preferred Scenario for Plan Bay Area 2040, integrating both a future growth pattern for jobs and housing and a transportation investment strategy to complement that growth pattern. The Draft Preferred Scenario built on the work over the past year of identifying targets, analyzing projects, comparing scenarios and working with stakeholders.

The Plan Bay Area 2040 Draft Preferred Scenario and Investment Strategy were released at the September 2016 joint meeting of the MTC Planning and ABAG Administrative Committees. Staff presented the Draft Preferred Scenario and Investment Strategy to a number of different audiences, including MTC advisory committees and working groups, the ABAG Regional Planning Committee and the ABAG Executive Board. Staff also made presentations to local jurisdictions around the region via meetings with planning directors and congestion management agencies in all nine counties. Staff invited individual jurisdictions to meet one-on-one with staff about technical issues related to the household and employment forecasts. In total, ABAG and MTC staff met with 17 jurisdictions, in late September and early October 2016.

The meeting materials for the November 2016 joint meeting include a broad overview of the feedback received at that point on the Draft Preferred Scenario. Staff presented the feedback received to date from Bay Area cities and counties and other local jurisdictions. Additionally, staff prepared a "Frequently Asked Questions" flier about some of the assumptions used in the analysis process. The meeting materials from the November 2016 joint meeting can be found here:

https://mtc.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=AO&ID=38121&GUID=3ce47189-49af-45ec-af2a-5023d8397ba0&N=MDBfMTEtNC0yMDE2X1BsYW5uaW5nX0ZpbmFsX0Z1bGxfUGFja2V0X3JldjI%3d.

Formal correspondence received since the draft preferred scenario's release can be viewed online here: http://www.planbayarea.org/your-part/your-comments.

#### Final Preferred Scenario Adopted at Evening Joint Meeting of Two Boards

A Revised Final Preferred Scenario, integrating feedback heard over several months, was adopted by the MTC Commission and ABAG Executive Board at a joint meeting held the evening of November 17, 2016, at the San Francisco offices of MTC and ABAG.

#### D. Release of Draft Plan Bay Area 2040 (2017)

MTC and ABAG released Draft Plan Bay Area 2040 on March 31, 2017, followed by the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) on April 17, 2017.

#### Draft Plan in Web-based Format

For the first time, the Draft Plan was released as a PDF version with a companion web site -- 2040.planbayarea.org/ -- that showcases the plan document in its entirety in a web-based format. The microsite makes the Plan easier to read on tablets and mobile phones, and can be read in English, Spanish or Chinese. Additionally, during the comment period, the microsite had a feature that allowed anyone to submit a comment directly from the microsite. Individuals were asked to indicate if they were commenting on the Draft Plan, the DEIR, or a supplemental report, and to select the topic of their comment. From release of the Draft Plan through July 31, 2017, over 6,000 users visited the microsite. The microsite has been updated to reflect the final Plan, thus making it easier for individuals to read it even after adoption.

#### Draft Plan Outreach Overview

The public comment period on the Draft Plan and DEIR capped off more than three years of dialogue and consultation on this planning effort. Before the formal comment period for both documents closed on June 1, 2017, a total of 29 outreach events were held, aimed at educating and engaging the public on both documents:

- Nine open houses on the Draft Plan, one in each county. Each open house included five educational or interactive stations, divided by topic area. Public input was solicited at two of the stations: one dedicated to the Action Plan, and one "activity station" that provided prompts to generate comments on housing, transportation and economic development, among other topics. Partner agencies also participated in each open house to provide information on local or statewide transportation issues or on the region's Clean Air Plan. One public workshop/open house, in Marin County, included presentations and comment sessions.
- Three public hearings on the Draft Plan and Draft EIR. A court reporter was present to transcribe comments from the public.
- Five focus groups with community-based organizations (CBOs). Each CBO invited constituents to discuss the Draft Plan, and requested participants take a survey on transportation and housing priorities.
- Ten briefings with elected officials. At county congestion management agency board meetings, as well as before one city council, staff provided an overview of the Draft Plan and answered questions.
- One tribal summit. MTC and ABAG staff provided an overview of the Draft Plan to tribal representatives and answered questions.
- One media briefing, where staff provided an overview of the Draft Plan and answered questions.

All correspondence and comments received during the range of public engagement activities on the Draft Plan are available online, as well as a summary of comments received from the open houses, public hearings and community focus groups:



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http://www.planbayarea.org/get-involved/your-comments/draft-plan-bay-area-2040-spring-2017.

#### 1. What We Heard: Key Themes from Open Houses, Public Hearings, Focus Groups

At the June 2017 meeting of the Joint MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Committee, staff presented a summary of public input from the open houses, public hearings and community focus groups. In all, we received some 700 public comments from this portion of the process (excluding letters, emails and online comments). Following are the main themes presented to the joint committee, divided into five main topics:

Housing

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- Housing affordability is the overwhelming concern.
- Many would like to preserve current affordable housing stock and also support stronger tenant protections to reduce displacement.
- Others would like to see businesses/employers contribute to affordable housing funds, and not allow developers to be able to buy their way out of building required affordable housing.
- Many called for building new housing on public or city-owned lands, encouraging land trusts for affordable housing, initiating inclusionary zoning and facilitating home sharing.
- Transit-oriented housing near job centers was the most popular type of housing, as most favor more density (a minority oppose any new housing).



- Many support alternative transportation modes, and make it easier to bicycle, walk and take transit.
- Many mentioned transportation innovations (e.g., autonomous vehicles, electric vehicles, car sharing, etc.) when planning for our future transportation system.
- Many want more transit, especially light rail, express bus service and local bus service, and also improved transit connections and transit access to open space.
- Some were interested in extending free transit to youth.

#### **Economic Development**



- Overall, outreach participants would like to see wages increase in the Bay Area.
- They want more middle-wage jobs, and workforce development programs for existing residents.
- They support policies to require local hiring and encourage support of local small businesses.
- They also want investments in transportation infrastructure and programs to relieve congestion (including charging businesses a mitigation fee).

#### Resiliency/Climate Change



- Participants support alternative energy sources to address climate change and improve air quality, and want bold action to meet our greenhouse gas reduction targets.
- Some participants stated land use planning should be tied to water resources.
- Participants also want to see education and involvement of local communities on climate change and sea level rise, and more focus on emergency preparation.
- Finally, many want to protect Bay Area open space to serve as a buffer for sea-level rise.

#### **Funding**

- Participants would like to use transportation funds to incentivize more housing.
- They support raising the gas tax to motivate transit use and using Express Lane revenues to bolster transit service.

#### Other Perspectives

- A small number of participants...
  - Question the plan's assumptions and goals
  - Oppose infill development
  - o Prefer a hands-off approach to housing and the economy
  - o Prefer more emphasis on the needs of drivers

#### 2. Comprehensive Public Engagement Summary

A summary of all the public engagement activities and key themes heard is available online. Included is a memorandum and presentation to MTC and ABAG policy board members in June 2017, with summaries of key messages heard by county or by community group and of input from Native American Tribal governments. The summary is available at this link:

https://mtc.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=3064621&GUID=4582CCCB-03C9-4B4C-935B-8AA2D3A4F34B&Options=&Search

#### 3. Open Houses Provide Forum for Discussions on Draft Plan

Open House format selected to:

- Update residents on progress of Plan Bay Area 2040
- **Engage** participants on the Draft Plan, through one-on-one conversations
- **Collect** as many comments as possible, especially on the Action Plan





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Table 11: 2017 Open Houses by County

County	Date/Time	ne Location	
			Attendance
Alameda	Thursday, May 4, 2017	Fremont City Hall, Council Chambers	45
	6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	3300 Capitol Avenue, Fremont	
Contra	Wednesday, May 10, 2017	Embassy Suite Hotel, Contra Costa Room	30
Costa	6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	1345 Treat Boulevard, Walnut Creek	
Marin	Saturday, May 20, 2017	Mill Valley Community Center	80
	8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.	180 Camino Alto, Mill Valley	
Napa	Monday, May 15, 2017	Elks Lodge	35
	6 p.m. to 8 p.m.	2840 Soscol Avenue, Napa	
San	Wednesday, May 17, 2017	Bay Area Metro Center	50
Francisco	6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	375 Beale Street, San Francisco	
San Mateo	Thursday, May 4, 2017	Sequoia High School Multi-Purpose Rm.	35
	6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	1201 Brewster Avenue, Redwood City	
Santa Clara	Monday, May 22, 2017	Marriott Hotel, San Jose Ballroom IV-VI	45
	6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	301 South Market Street, San José	
Solano	Monday, May 15, 2017	Solano County Events Center	45
	6 p.m. to 8 p.m.	601 Texas Street, Fairfield	
Sonoma	Monday, May 22, 2017	Finley Community Center	45
	6 p.m. to 8 p.m.	2060 W. College Avenue, Santa Rosa	
		TOTALS:	410





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#### Open house stations included:



#### 4. Public Hearings on Draft Plan and Draft EIR

Three public hearings were held during which participants were invited to comment and share feedback on the Draft Plan Bay Area 2040 as well as its Draft Environmental Impact Report.

**Table 12: 2017 Public Hearings** 

Held	Date/TIme	Location	Estimated Attendance
San Francisco	Friday, May 12, 2017 9:40 am or immediately following the Legislation Committee	Joint MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Committee Bay Area Metro Center, 375 Beale St., San Francisco	9 speakers
San Jose/ Santa	Tuesday, May 16, 2017	Martin Luther King Jr. Library, 150 E.	15
Clara County	6 p.m. to 8 p.m.	San Fernando St., Room 225, San Jose	
Vallejo/ Solano	Thursday, May 18, 2017	Vallejo Naval and Historical Museum,	30
County	6 p.m. to 8 p.m.	Hall of History, 734 Marin St., Vallejo	

The public hearing held in San Francisco was before the Joint MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Committee. The remaining two hearings were held in other parts of the region, both in the evening. Over 55 participants attended the hearings.

#### 5. Community-Based Engagement Utilizes Focus Groups

As part of the spring 2017 outreach for Plan Bay Area 2040, MTC and ABAG conducted five focus groups with community-based organizations in May 2017. The goal of each focus group was to get feedback on Draft Plan Bay Area 2040 from underrepresented groups around the Bay Area.

At each focus group, an MTC or ABAG staffer provided a brief presentation to familiarize attendees with Draft Plan Bay Area 2040 and introduce specific components of the Action Plan. A facilitated discussion gathered feedback from attendees on the Action Plan, including recommendations for improving the Draft Plan's performance on housing, economic development and resilience issues. At the end of each focus group, attendees completed a survey.

#### **Focus Group Details**

#### **Community Organization/Location**

- **1** South Hayward Parish | Hayward May 2, 2017 Homeless Population in Hayward
- **2** Sound of Hope Radio | Sunnyvale May 5, 2017 South Bay Chinese American Residents
- **3** Richmond Main Street | Richmond May 8, 2017 Workers and Residents of Richmond
- **4** Sela Learning | Vallejo May 11, 2017 Workers and Residents of Vallejo
- **5** Rose Foundation | Oakland May 18, 2017 Students of Oakland and San Francisco

#### By the Numbers:

- 70 total attendees; nearly 100 total survey respondents
- Interpretation in Spanish and Mandarin
- Over three fourths of survey respondents have lived in Bay Area for more than 15 years
- Near unanimous support for developing a regional plan

#### **Survey Results**

**97%** think it's important to develop a regional plan focusing on improving the local economy, reducing driving and greenhouse gases, and providing access to housing and transportation for everyone who needs it.

Survey respondents ranked the elements of the Action Plan as follows (with 1 being most important):

- 1. Housing
- 2. Economic Development
- 3. Resilience



Karl Nielsen

#### 6. Briefings with Elected Officials

Staff provided an overview of the Draft Plan and answered questions at 10 briefings with elected officials at county congestion management agency board meetings, as well as before one city council. The meeting dates are shown below:

Table 13: Briefings by County with Locally Elected Officials on Draft Plan Bay Area 2040

County/ Agency	Meeting Date
Alameda County: Alameda County Transportation Commission	May 25, 2017
Contra Costa County: Contra Costa Transportation Authority	April 19, 2017
Marin County: Transportation Authority of Marin	April 27, 2017
Napa County: Napa Valley Transportation Authority	April 19, 2017
San Francisco: San Francisco County Transportation Authority	April 25, 2017
San Mateo County: City/County Assoc. of Governments	April 13, 2017
Santa Clara County: Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority	May 4, 2017
Solano County: Solano Transportation Authority	May 10, 2017
Sonoma County: Sonoma County Transportation Authority	May 8, 2017
Santa Clara County: City of Milpitas	June 20, 2017

#### 7. Tribal Summit

On Monday, May 8, 2017, ABAG and MTC hosted a meeting with representatives from the Bay Area's Native American tribes at the National Indian Justice Center in Santa Rosa. MTC invited the region's Native American tribes, as well as tribes whose ancestral lands are located within the nine Bay Area counties. Representatives from two tribes attended the meeting, as well as staff from our partner agencies, including Caltrans, the Transportation Authority of Marin and the Sonoma County Transportation Authority. Staff from the National Indian Justice Center also participated.

After opening remarks delivered by ABAG's Vice President David Rabbitt and MTC's Chair Jake Mackenzie, Matt Maloney, MTC's principal for major projects, presented Draft Plan Bay Area 2040, its accompanying draft Environmental Impact Report and the 2017 Transportation Improvement Program. After the presentation, participants discussed local and regional topics related to housing and transportation and provided feedback on draft Plan Bay Area 2040 documents. A one-page fact sheet listing some key takeaways from the discussion groups can be found as part of the attachments to the meeting packet for the June 2017 meeting of the Joint MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Committee. Follow this link to the meeting packet:

https://mtc.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=3064621&GUID=4582CCCB-03C9-4B4C-935B-8AA2D3A4F34B&Options=&Search

#### 8. Approval of the Draft Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR)

A redlined version of the Plan, highlighting changes between the Draft Plan and Final Plan, as well as a list of proposed changes to supplemental reports, was presented at the July 14, 2017 joint meeting of the MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Committee. The staff memo highlighted six key themes reflected in the comments received and summarized revisions made in those areas. A longer summary list of staff responses and associated revisions were part of the meeting packet (as Attachment B). That document provided a staff response to over 100 comments, and noted if a revision had been made.

Materials for the July 2017 joint meeting can be found here: http://mtc.ca.gov/file/69976/download?token=fsUqFyl-.

A direct link to the memo highlighting revisions to the Draft Plan is here: http://mtc.legistar.com/gateway.aspx?M=F&ID=a6447f84-0323-424f-a83a-353afaf3a74b.pdf

Draft Plan Bay Area 2040 and its companion Environmental Impact Report (EIR) were approved on Wednesday, July 26, 2017 at a special evening meeting of the full boards of ABAG and MTC. The nearly unanimous vote — with 41 of the 43 officials from the two bodies voting in the affirmative on the Plan and 39 for the EIR — completed a three-year process of plan development.



Peter Beeler

#### Plan Bay Area 2040: Public Engagement Program

#### **Appendices**

Appendix 1: Display Boards, Spring 2015 Open Houses

Station 1: Welcome

Station 2: Plan Bay Area 101 Station 3: Goals and Targets

Station 4: County Focus

Includes transportation, housing, employment statistics and PDA maps by county

Station 5: Transportation

Includes Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) projects by county

Station 6: Looking Ahead

Appendix 2: Display Boards, Spring 2016 Open Houses

Station 1: Welcome

Station 2: About Plan Bay Area 2040
Includes maps of PDAs/PCAs by county

Station 3: Intro to Scenarios

Station 4: Scenarios: Main Streets, Connected Neighborhoods, Big Cities

Includes a focus on scenarios by county

Station 5: Tell Us How You Would #BuildABetterBayArea

Station 6: Activity: Places of the Bay Area

Appendix 3: Build A Better Bay Area Online Quiz, Spring 2016

Screen shots of the online survey

Appendix 4: Program and Display Boards, Housing Forum, February 20, 2016

Calling the Bay Area Home: Tackling the Housing Affordability and Displacement Challenge

Appendix 5: Display Boards, Spring 2017 Open Houses

Station 1: About Draft Plan Bay Area 2040

Station 2: Transportation Station 3: Housing and Jobs

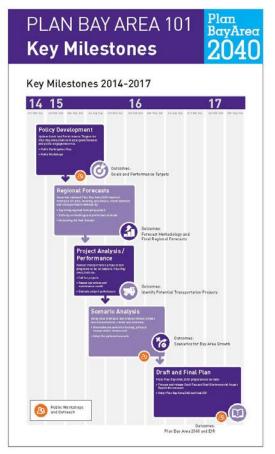
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Station 4: Action Plan Station 5: Activity Station

#### Appendix 1: Display Boards, Spring 2015 Open Houses







#### **GOALS & TARGETS** for Plan Bay Area

BayArea 2040

#### Our Goals and Targets

Beginning in 2010, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission [MTC] and the Association of Bay Area Governments [ABAG] engaged a broad spectrum of participants in order to make Plan Bay Area is goals and targets as meaningful as possible in measuring the Plan's performance. After months of discussion and debate reflecting input from local jurisdictions, equity, environment and business advocates, and members of the community, together MTC and ABAG assembled a list of preferred goals and targets.

Plan Bay Area charts a course that accommodates future growth while fostering an innovative, prespenus and competitive economy; preserves a healthy and safe environment; and sillows all Bay Area residents to share the benefits of our abrant communities and well-maintained transportation network.

Check out the current goals and targets of Plan Bay Area below. Use three dots to indicate your top three personal priorities for these goals. List your other ideas on the accompanying board.



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#### Transportation System Effectiveness

#### **GOALS & TARGETS Feedback**

Plan BayArea 2040

What are the biggest challenges facing your community?

What are your ideas for solving these challenges?

#### **GOALS & TARGETS Community Input**

**BayArea** 2040

#### Your Voice Matters

Thanks to public comments from across the Bay Area, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) modified Plan Bay Area is goals and targets to reflect what we heard. Because of public input, Plan Bay Area comments.





Includes the strength of our

encouraging biking and walking

#### Tell Us What You Think

During the current strategic update of Plan Bay Ares 2040, we're looking to you to help chart the path for your community in this vital planning process. Over the nest six mooths, we're updating the goals and targets of Plan Bay Ares 2040. Here are upcoming opportunities for you to weigh in specifically on the update of the goals and targets for Plan Bay Ares 2040.

Today's Open House

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#### July 10, 2015

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#### Attend a meeting of ABAG's Executive Board as they consider proposed Plan Bay Area 2040 Geats

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## **COUNTY FOCUS**

BayArea PDAs Across the Region

#### **Development That Fits Your Community**

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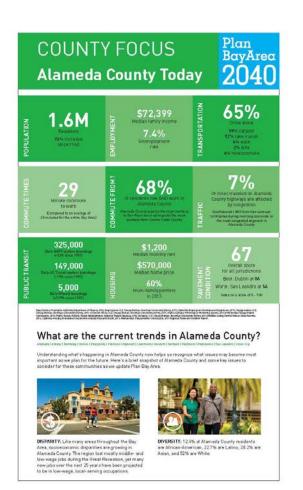


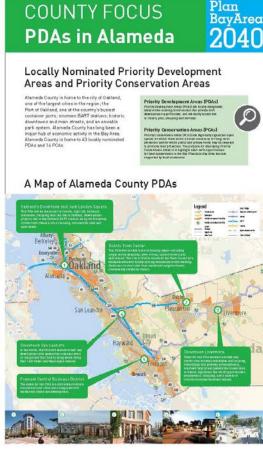


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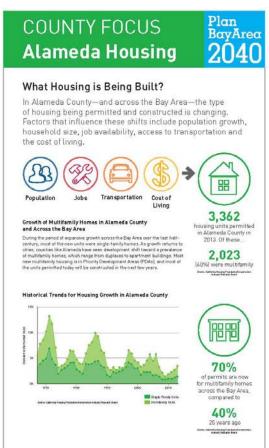


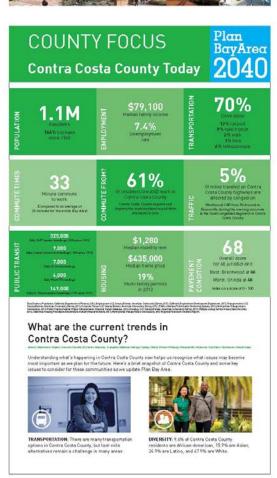




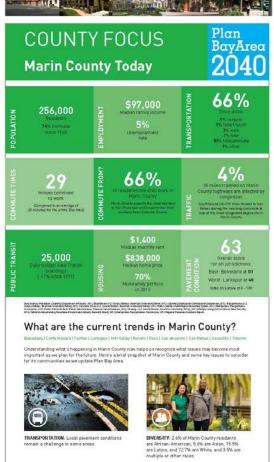


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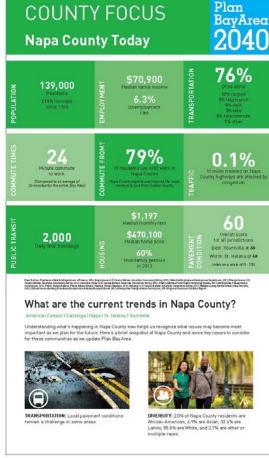


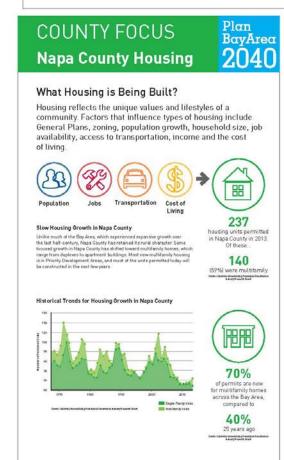
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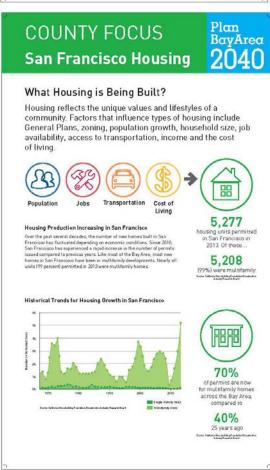
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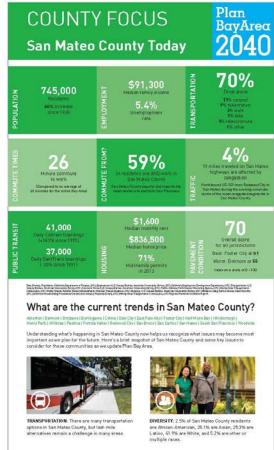






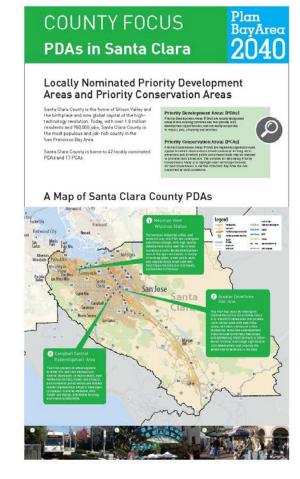


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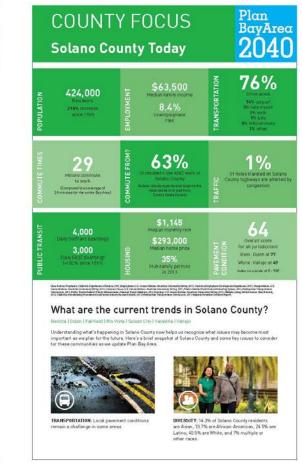


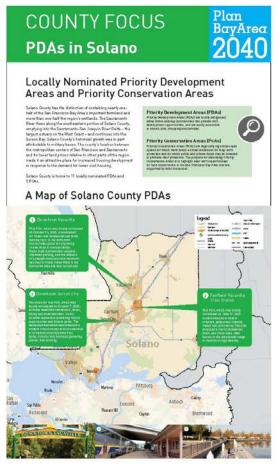
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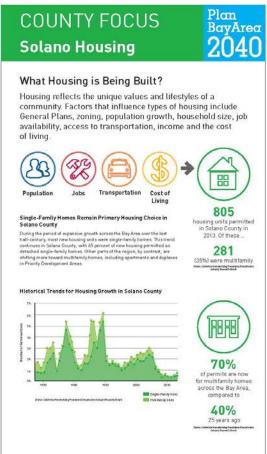
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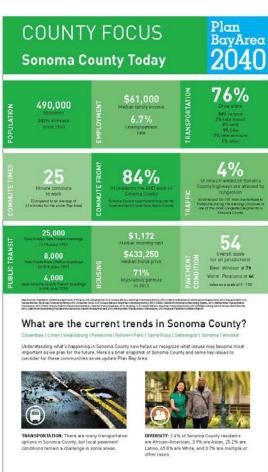


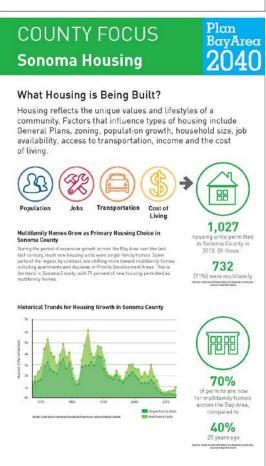
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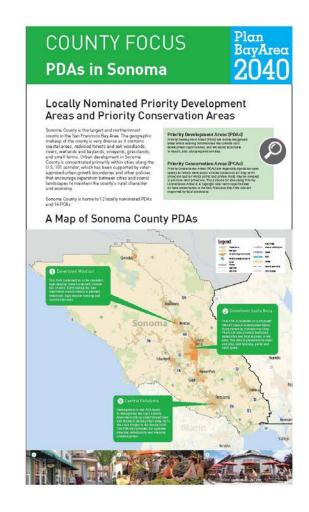












## TRANSPORTATION The Bay Area

#### Planning Delivers Big Returns: Bridges and Highways

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3 Carquinez Bridge: New Westbound Span
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5 Benis Stide Tunnels on Highway 1
6 Doyle Drive Replacement
7 Golden Gate Bridge Movable Median Birrier
8 1-390 Truck Climbing Lane, Eastbound
9 1-890 Carpool/Express Lanes
10 Sian Francisco-Otakhud Bay Bridge
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1 SiR-12 Jamesan Canyon Widening
12 SiR-4 Widening (Contra Costa County)
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#### Planning Delivers Big Returns: Public Transit Projects

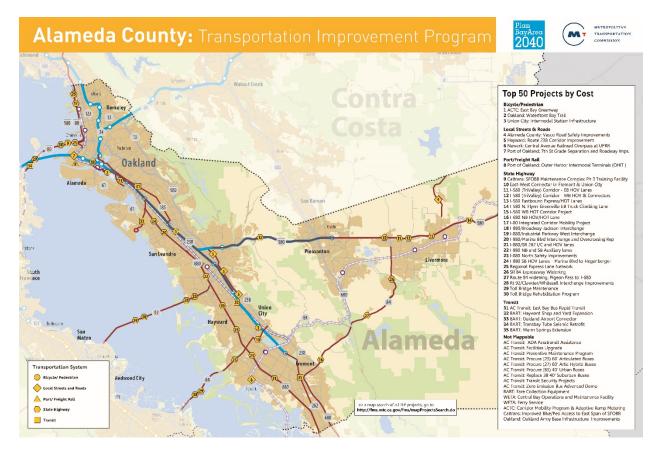
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extension to San Jose
6 East Contra Costa BART Extension (eBART)
7 Caltriam Modernization/Positive
Train Control
8 Lartifield/Macaville Iran Station
9 San Francisco Bart Extension (eBart)
10 San Francisco Central Sutway
11 San Francisco Central Sutway
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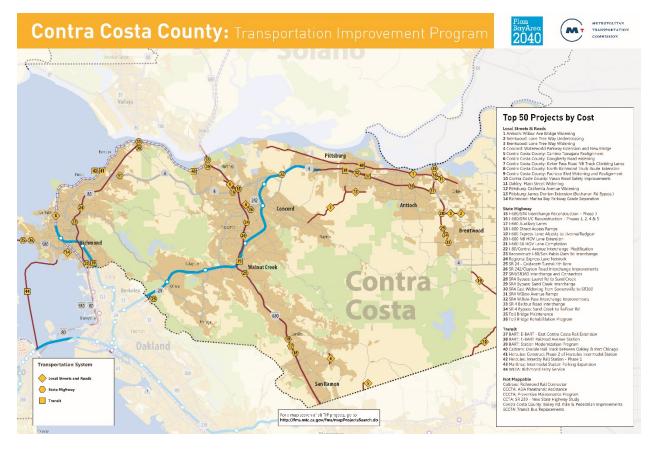
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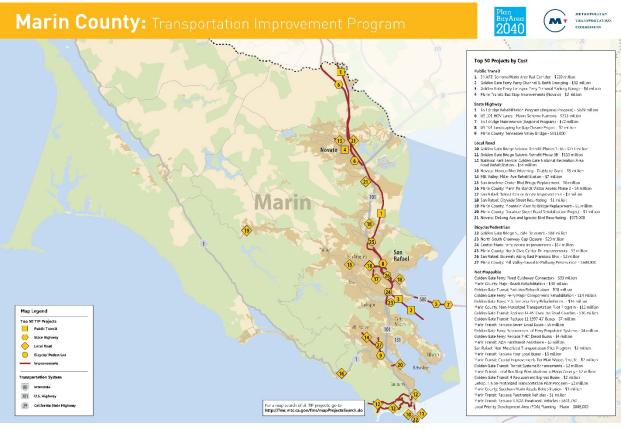
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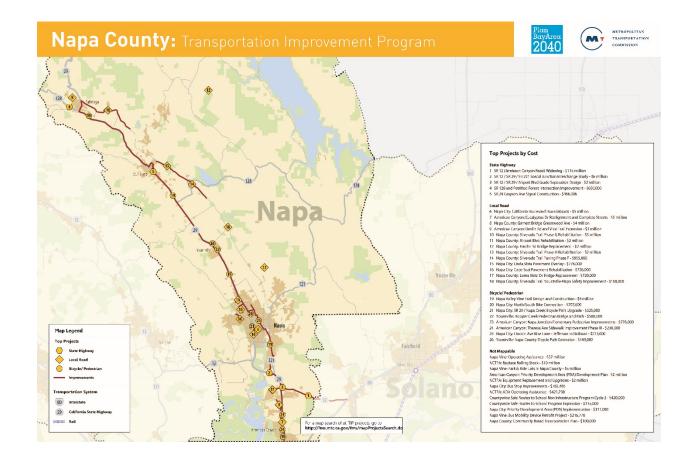


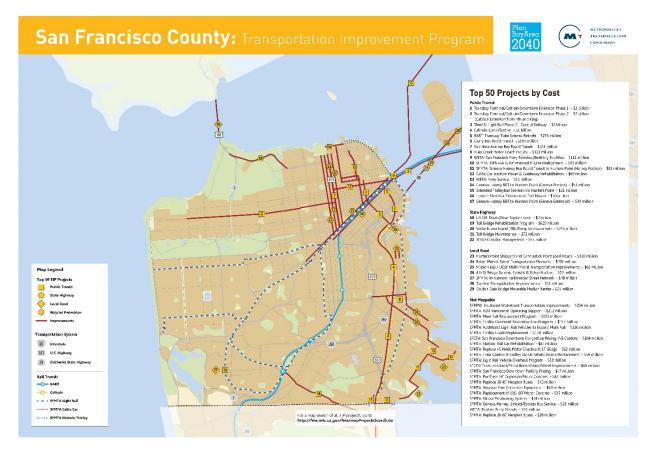


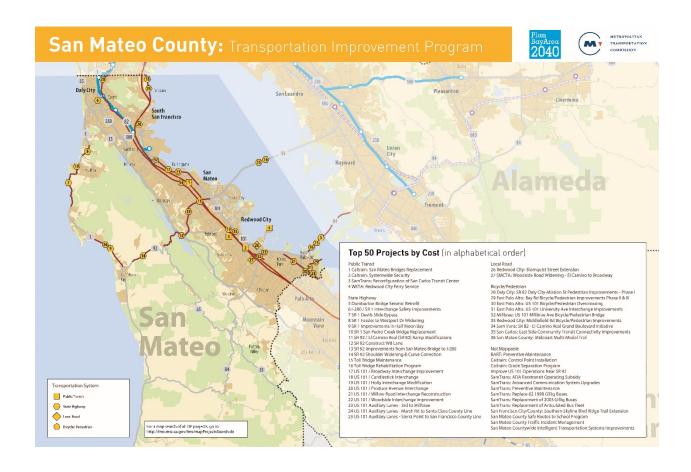


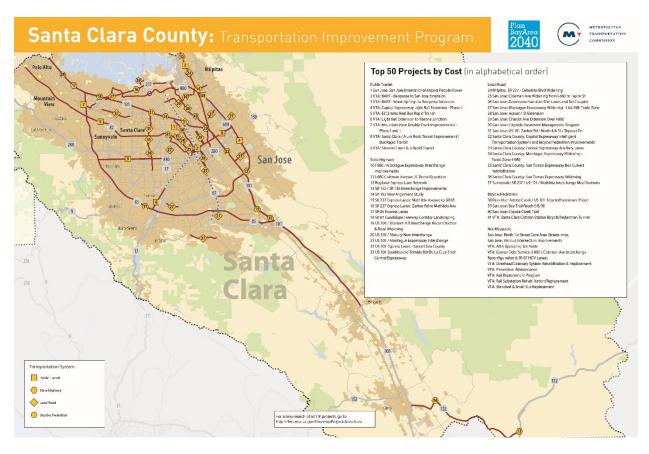


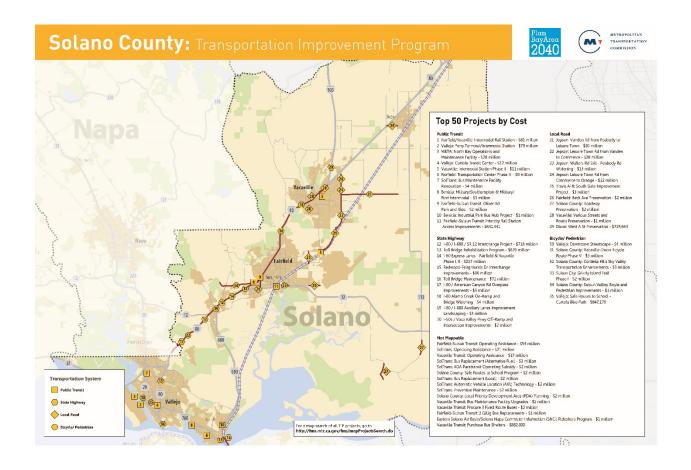


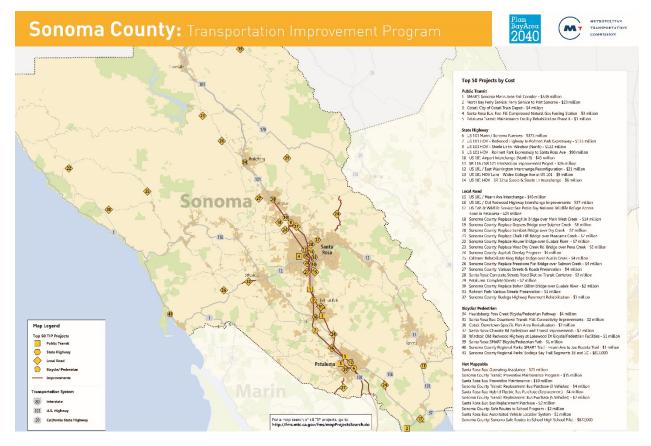




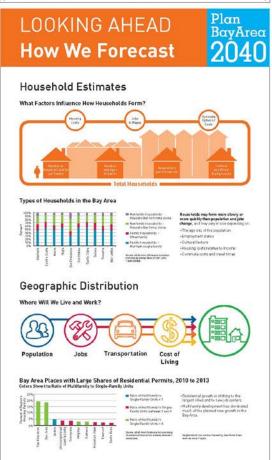




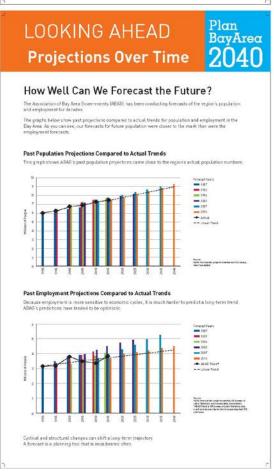


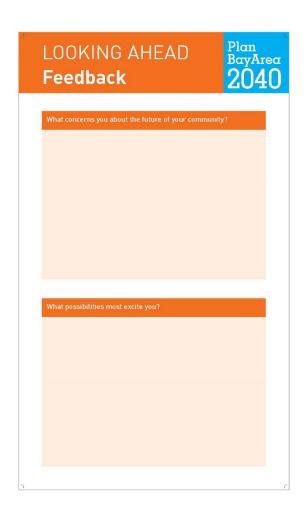






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Station 2: About Plan Bay Area 2040

Includes maps of PDAs/PCAs by county

Station 3: Intro to Scenarios

Station4: Scenarios: Main Streets, Connected Neighborhoods, Big Cities

Includes a focus on scenarios by county

Station 5: Tell Us How You Would #BuildABetterBayArea

Station 6: Activity: Places of the Bay Area





## About Plan Bay Area **The Facts**

Plan BayArea 2040

**Plan Bay Area** is a roadmap to help Bay Area cities and counties preserve the character of our diverse communities while adapting to the challenges of future population growth.

### Did You Know? Plan Bay Area...

- 1 Is a roadmap for transportation and land-use planning in the nine Bay Area counties.
- Is a long-range plan that looks out over 20-plus years but is updated every four years.
- 3 Is based on local planning efforts that have taken place in communities around the Bay Area.
- Is a transportation investment plan with a requirement to consider population and housing needs when prioritizing funding or developing transportation policies.
- Sets goals that include reducing greenhouse gas emissions, providing adequate housing for all of the region's projected population, preserving open space and improving public health and safety.



Promotes a strong regional **economy** by helping communities to plan for future job growth, as well as related housing and transportation needs.



in their decision-making around new housing by providing housing demand forecasts.

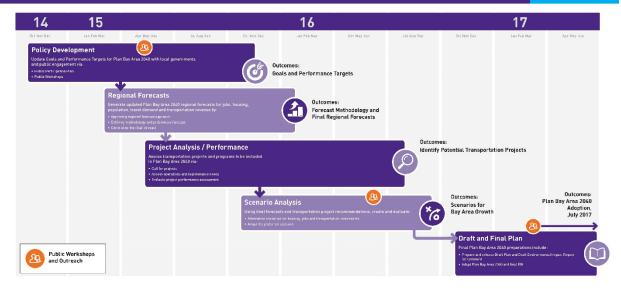


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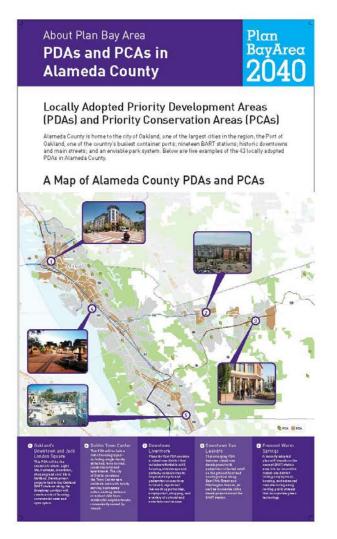
- Does not replace local general plans or community-specific plans.
- 7 Does not interfere with local land-use authority.
- Prioritizes making our transportation network operate more efficiently by funding aging railcar and bus replacement, road rehabilitation, express lane implementation and the like.
- Includes projected population and housing levels for the Bay Area's 101 cities and unincorporated areas.
- Provides a strategy for meeting much of the region's future housing needs in Priority Development Areas (PDAs), which are locally designated areas within existing communities that have been identified and approved by local cities or counties for future growth.

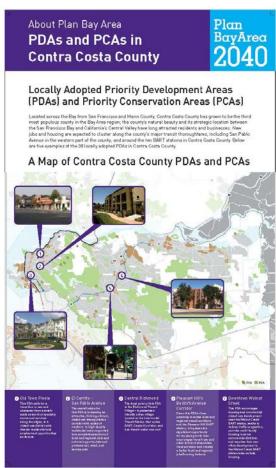
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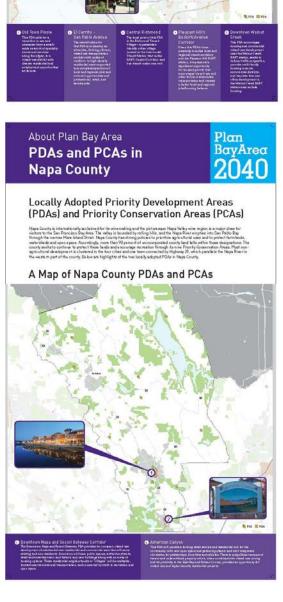


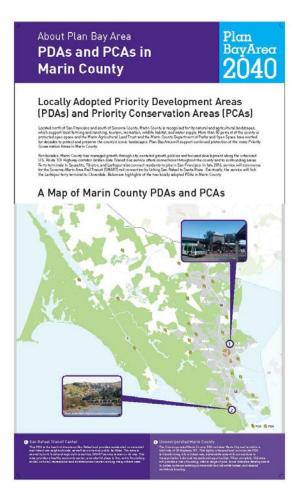


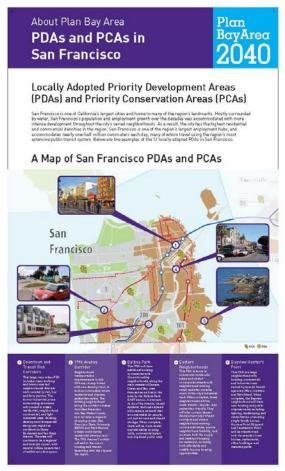


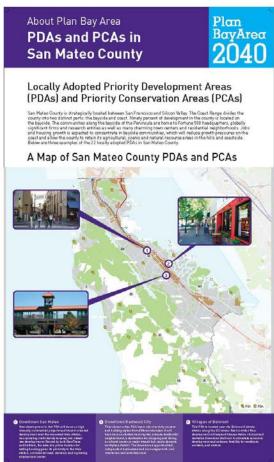


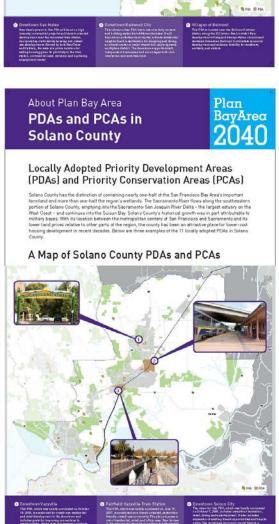


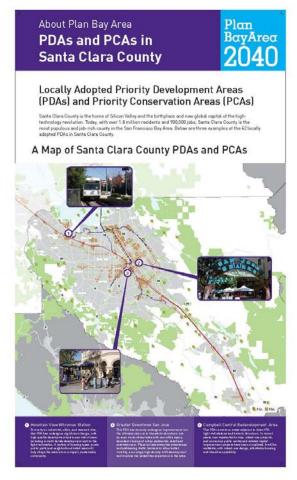


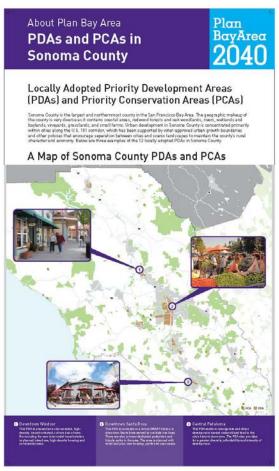


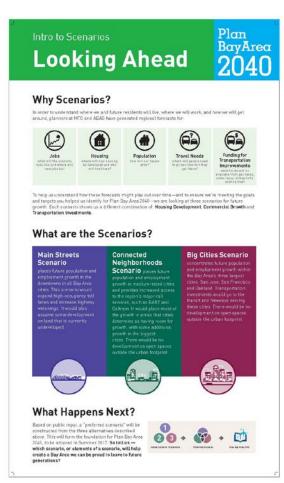




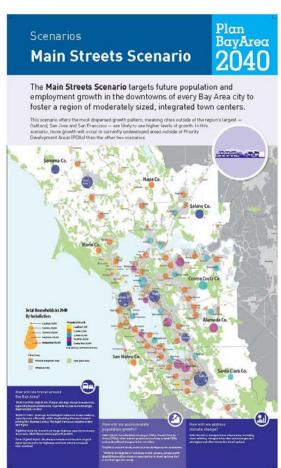


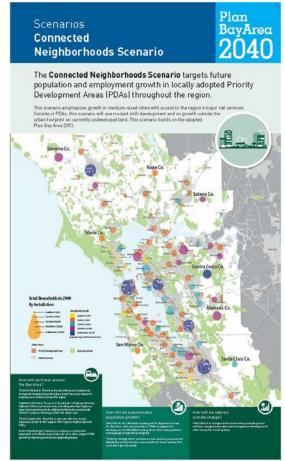


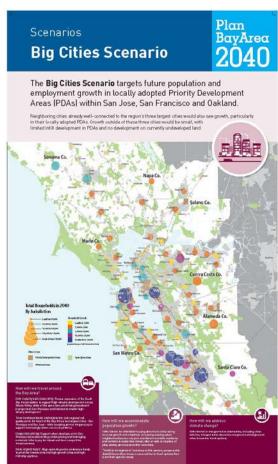












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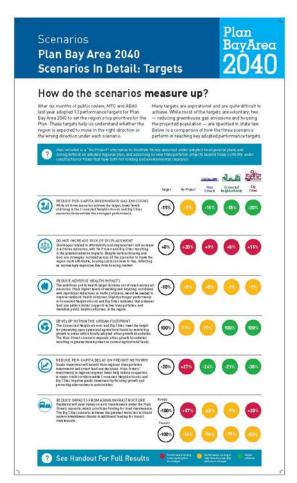
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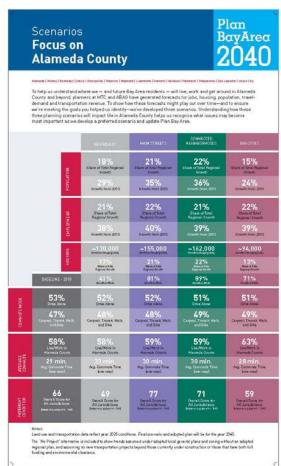
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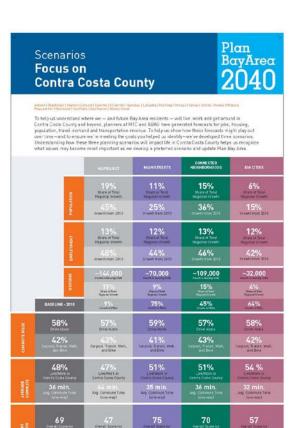
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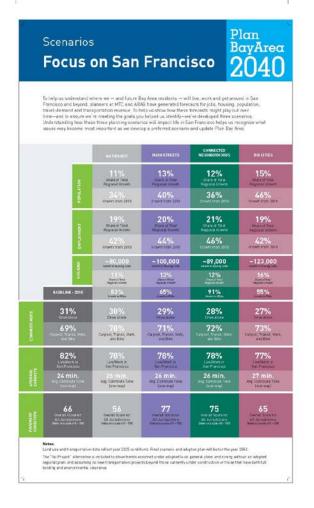
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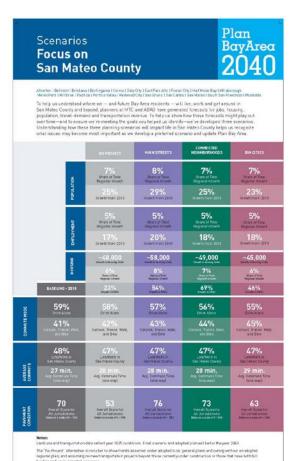


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## Appendix 3: Build A Better Bay Area Online Quiz, Spring 2016

Screen shots of the online survey



# Build a Better Bay Area Quiz

Take this quick quiz to tell us how you would #BuildABetterBayArea!

Your voice is needed to shape how your community looks in 2040!

#### START

#### Read More Below

Step out of your daily routine and think about how you want to get around the Bay Area over the next 25 years. Where should new housing go? What transportation investments and housing policies should we prioritize now to build a better Bay Area for future generations?

The #BuildABetterBayArea quiz is a fun and interactive tool that can help you guide Plan Bay Area 2040, an integrated, long-range transportation, land use and housing plan.

Quiz questions mirror the tough decisions facing the Bay Area as we adapt to the challenges of future population growth.

After completing the quiz, submit your responses and invite your friends to participate, too.

Click here to get started.

#### START

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# Plan BayArea 2040

To make sure we get the most out of your feedback, please answer a few demographic questions before getting started with the #BuildABetterBayArea quiz:

Email or phone number (required)	
ZIP code (required)	
Name (optional)	
Age (optional)	
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Answer 10 quick questions to tell us how you would #BuildABetterBayArea!

Your input to these questions will help guide our current planning process for Plan Bay Area 2040, an integrated, long-range transportation, land use and housing plan.

MTC and ABAG have developed three scenarios to analyze and communicate the effects of different combinations of housing, land use and transportation strategies:







Connected Neighborhoods



Big Cities

Quiz questions mirror the tough decisions facing the Bay Area about how we should best #BuildABetterBayArea over the next 25 years.

MTC and ABAG developed this quiz as an educational tool to help residents learn more about the three planning scenarios. These scenarios have been created to analyze and communicate the effects of different combinations of housing, land use and transportation strategies under Plan Bay Area.

In addition to resident feedback via public workshops on Plan Bay Area scenario planning and all other comments received by MTC and ABAG's public outreach efforts, quiz answers will help guide our current planning process for Plan Bay Area 2040.

Your answers to the following 10 questions will help us refine these scenarios.

START THE QUIZ

# Transportation Investments



How we invest our transportation dollars now will make a difference in what our communities will look like and how we will get around the Bay Area in 2040. Likewise, transportation policies we put in place now to protect the environment by reducing per person greenhouse gas emissions from cars and light-duty trucks will make for a cleaner, healthier Bay Area for future generations.

#### CONTINUE

Read More Below

To help us understand your priorities for our transportation future, please respond to the following 5 policy statements. Your answers will help inform how we meet our goal of a prosperous, sustainable and equitable Bay Area in the future.

#### CONTINUE







# **Housing Policy Priorities**



How we address the Bay Area's housing shortage now will have an impact on what our communities will look like in 2040, particularly as we plan for regional population and job growth over the next 25 years.

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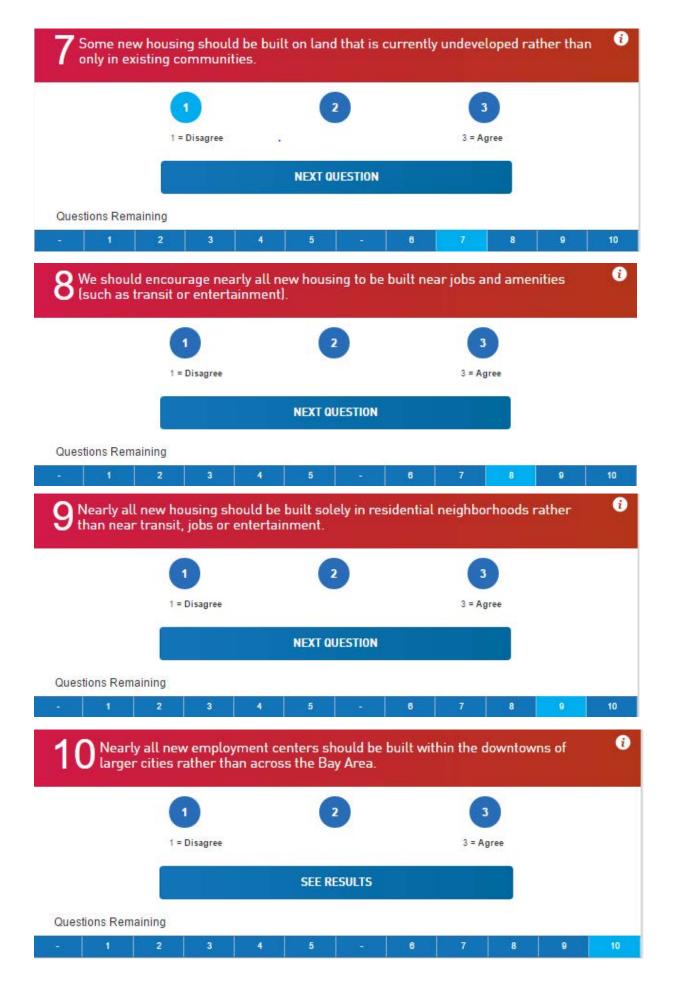
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Thoughtful housing policies will help to meet the current and anticipated demand of a growing region and will take into account issues like affordability, access to public transit, and ensuring a cleaner, healthier Bay Area for future generations.

To help us understand your housing policy priorities, please respond to a series of 5 policy statements. Your answers will help inform how we meet our goals for a prosperous, sustainable and equitable Bay Area in the future.

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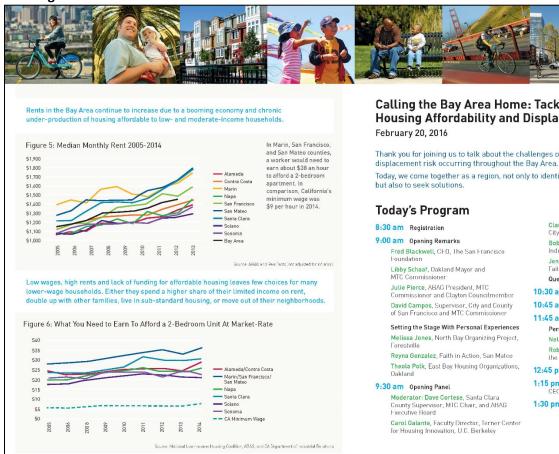




## Appendix 4: Program and Display Boards, Housing Forum, February 20, 2016

Calling the Bay Area Home: Tackling the Housing Affordability and Displacement Challenge

#### Program:



#### Calling the Bay Area Home: Tackling the Housing Affordability and Displacement Challenge

Thank you for joining us to talk about the challenges of housing affordability and

Today, we come together as a region, not only to identify the challenges before us,

Commissioner and Clayton Councilmember

## Melissa Jones, North Bay Organizing Project,

Reyna Gonzalez, Faith in Action, San Mateo Theola Polk, East Bay Housing Organizations,

Claudia Cappio, Oakland Assistant City Administrator

Plan BayArea

Bob Glover, Executive Officer, Building Industry Association

Jennifer Martinez, Executive Director, Faith in Action Bay Area

Questions from the audience

#### 10:30 am Break - Move into Group Discussions

10:45 am Group Discussions

11:45 am | Lunch/

Perspectives from Outside the Region Nela Richardson, Chief Economist, Redfin,

Robert Feldstein, City of Seattle, Director of the Office of Policy & Innovation

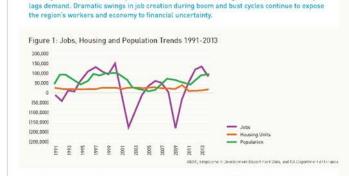
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1:15 pm Wrap-up: Fred Blackwell, CEO, The San Francisco Foundation

1:30 pm Close

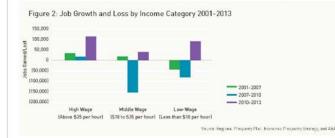


## The Bay Area's Housing Affordability and Displacement Challenge

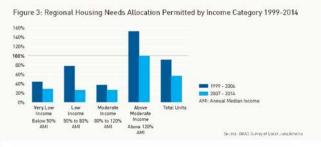


The Bay Area continues to add jobs and residents even as housing construction consistently

The Bay Area is failing to retain and grow middle-wage jobs that can provide econom nities to low-wage workers. Stagnant wages in a growing number of low-wage jobs further educes affordability and economic sett-sufficiency for more than 1 million low-income house.



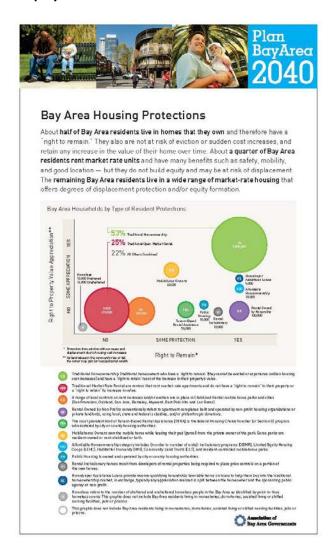
The Bay Area continues to under-produce housing affordable to very low, low and moderate income households. Dwindling public resources for housing limits local, regional and state response to growing displacement risk and demand for affordable housing.



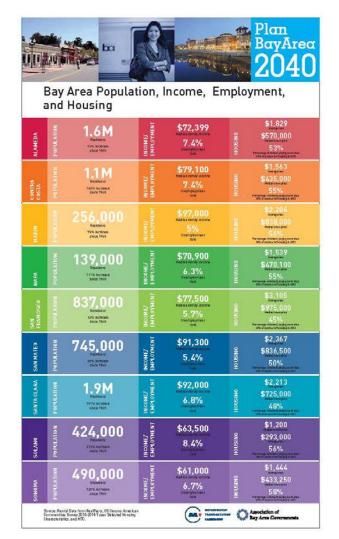
Low-income households spend a large share of their income on housing. More than half the households earning less than \$50,000 are rent-burdened; i.e., they spend more than a third of their income on housing.

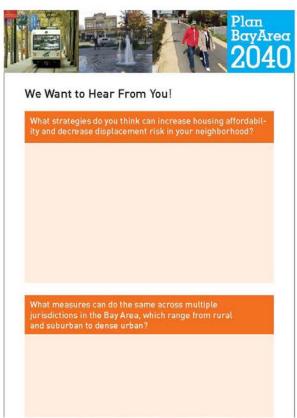
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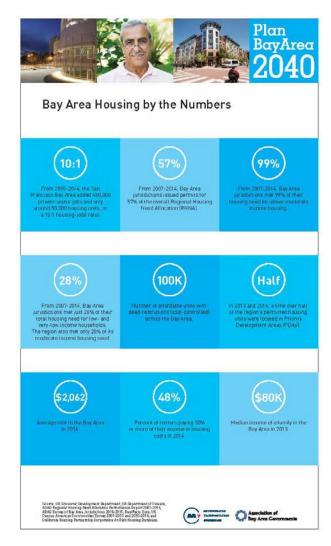
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#### **Handout:**





## **Appendix 5: Display Boards, Spring 2017 Open Houses**

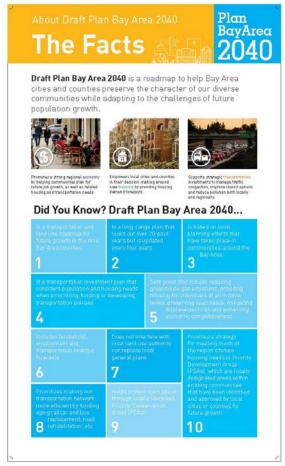
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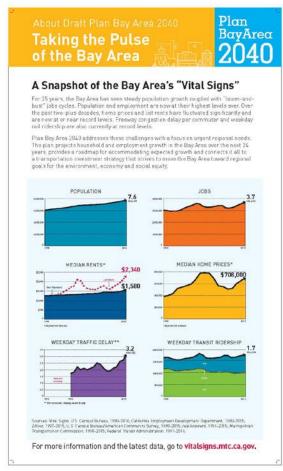
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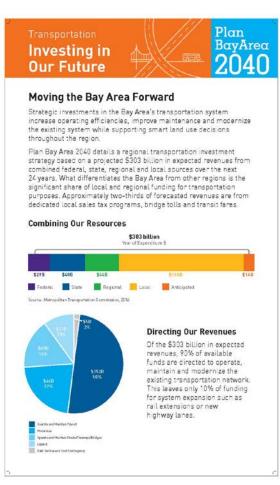
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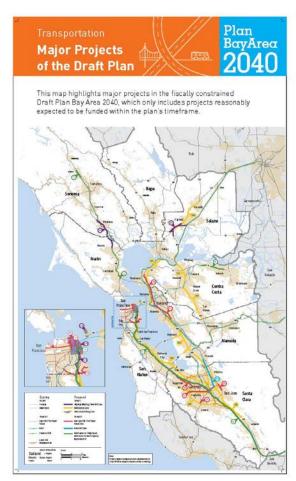
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Station 5: Activity Station



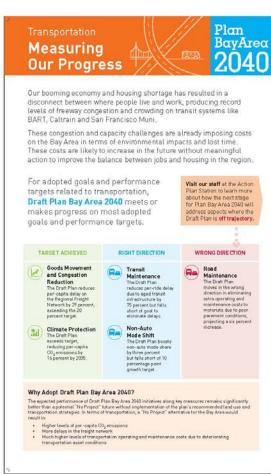














#### Population and Job **Growth Patterns**



BayArea **2040** 

#### Concentrated Growth

The rapidly growing and changing economy, in addition to bringing new vitality and wealth, has created significant challenges: adequate and affordable housing for people of all income levels, displacement of long-time residents and a transportation system stretched past

- Draft Plan Bay Area 2040 includes policies that call for concentrating population and employment growth in the "Big 3" cities of San Jose, San Francisco and Cakland,
- By 2040, these "Big 3" cities and Bayside subregions will contain 72 percent of the Bay Area's total households and 77 percent of the region's total jobs—a slightly higher concentration compared
- The four largest counties—Santa Clara, San Francisco, Alameda and Contra Costa—will account for 83 percent of the Bay Area's total population.
- The remaining five counties are projected to experience modest growth over the next 24 years.

#### Where Will Bay Area Residents Live and Work?









# Your Impact

Housing and Jobs

# on the Plan

#### We Heard You!

Residents had several opportunities to participate in the multi-year planning process.

#### Since 2015, MTC and ABAG have:

- Hosted 18 public open houses, two in each county, drawing over 1,050 residents.
- Conducted telephone surveys in English, Spanish and Cantonese of more than 2,000 registered voters in all nine Bay Area counties.
- Received 800 online surveys on transportation and housing preferences. Partnered with five community organizations working in low-income communities and communities of color.

- Held three public hearings on development of the Draft Environmental Impact Report







Based on your feedback, we took the following steps:

Introduced Displacement

We incorporated a specific target to prevent an increase in displacement risk over the lifespan of the plan. While the Draft Plan ultimately did not meet this ambitious target, it results in the least significant growth in displacement risk of any scenario evaluated.

Hosted the "Calling the Bay Area Home; Tackling the Housing Affordability and Displacement Challenge" Forum

We brought together more than 300 Bay Area residents, social justice advocates, developers, local elected officials, and regional transportation and land use planning agencies to facilitate key conversations in addressing the affordable housing crisis.

Adjusted Land Use Policy Assumptions

Between the draft and final Preferred Scenario in between the draft and final referred Scenario in late 2016, we updated land use policy assumptions based on feedback from local cities. The policy assumptions are critical as they help form the basis of the proposed land use pattern.



#### Measuring Our Progress



Plan BayArea 2040

A key step in the Plan Bay Area 2040 planning process is taking stock of adopted housing and job targets and determining which ones are being achieved, which ones are moving in the right direction and which ones remain out of reach.

Draft Plan Bay Area 2040 meets adopted targets for open space and agricultural preservation but falls short on housing and affordability goals.

Visit our staff at the Action Plan Station to livern more about how the next stage for Plan Bay Area 2040 will address aspects where the Draft Plan is off trajectory.

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#### Why Adopt Draft Plan Bay Area 2040?

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## Action Plan

### Improving Plan Bay Area 2040



## BayArea 2040

The Bay Area's housing and transportation crisis reflects years of robust job growth and an acute failure to keep pace with the region's housing needs, especially in areas with rapid job growth. Draft Plan Bay Area 2040 includes an "Action Plan," which focuses on the performance targets where Draft Plan Bay Area 2040 is moving in the wrong direction and addresses issues that require proactive regional solutions.

MTC and ABAG, in collaboration with city and county agencies, will implement policies in the Action Plan that address the following:

#### Housing

- ✓ Lower the share of income spent on housing and transportation costs

  ✓ Decrease displacement risk
- ✓ Increase available affordable housing



#### **Economic Development**

- ✓ Improve access to jobs
- ✓ Increase middle-wage job creation
   ✓ Maintain infrastructure
- ✓ Support the region's culture of innovation

#### Resiliency

- ✓ Enhance climate protection efforts
- ✓ Strengthen open space protections
   ✓ Create healthy and safe communities

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 Protect communities against natural hazards

The Action Ptan recommends strengthening and expanding existing regional initiatives and purcuing more ambitious policy colutions on the state, regional and local levels. MTC, ABAS and our partners are committed to partnering with local governments, business leaders and non-governmental organizations to identify and implement game-changing loads that resolve these important issues.

We also want to hear from you!





