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Senate Bill 125 Regional Funding Framework Adoption and Regional Accountability Measure Update



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Senate Bill 125 Background

- \$4 billion in Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP)
 - Bay Area share expected to be \$770M
 - \$665M collectively dedicated to BART Core Capacity and BART to Silicon Valley Phase II, leveraging \$6 to \$8 billion in federal funds
- \$1.1 billion for new Zero Emission Transit Capital Program (ZETCP)
 - Bay Area share expected to be ~\$400M
- MTC to make remaining \$105M in TIRCP and all \$400M in ZETCP available for transit operations
- State funding supplemented by \$300M in regional funds to address standardized shortfall needs

Regional Contribution to Help Address Gap

- MTC estimates \$300M in **currently unprogrammed funds** could be redirected
- Redirection of funds will require significant trade-offs
- Final regional contribution depends on interest earned on SB 125 capital funds and continued state advocacy

Fund Source	Amount (\$M)	% Share of Program	Typical Recipient	Typical Usage
Unprogrammed FTA Formula	\$132	~ 20% of annual funding	Transit Operators	Transit State of Good Repair
Surface Transportation Funding (STP/CMAQ)	\$93	~ 10% of four-year cycle	CTAs/Local Jurisdictions/ MTC/Project Sponsors	OBAG – Bike/Ped, Other County Priorities, Regional Programs
Bridge Tolls	\$49	N/A – Escrowed + some annual RM3 Express Bus Funding	Express Bus and Ferry Operators	Operations Funding
State Transit Assistance (Population-Based)	\$25	N/A – Program balances + some on-going funds.	MTC to support regional transit programs	Regional Programs (i.e., Clipper, Fare Programs)
Total	\$300			

Proposed Regional Funding Framework for FY25-26

- Regional funds assigned to operators based on eligibility requirements
- STP/CMAQ funds preserved where possible to minimize impact on local projects
- Operators confirmed feasibility of framework

Regional Funding Framework (\$M)

Operator	Regional Funds	SB 125 Funds (Including Interest)	Total Funds
AC Transit	\$33	\$0	\$33
BART*	\$129	\$223	\$352
Caltrain	\$15	\$10	\$25
Golden Gate	\$20	\$21	\$41
SFMTA	\$92	\$217	\$309
Small Operators	\$11	\$4	\$14
Grand Total	\$300	\$474	\$774

* Regional funding for BART includes \$60 million in CMAQ funds that would be programmed to BART Core Capacity, enabling \$60 million in SB 125 capital funds committed to that project to shift to support FY2025-26 operating needs.

Regional Accountability Measures

MTC Resolution No. 4619, Revised adopted the following accountability measures that operators must advance in exchange for SB 125 funds

Regional Accountability Measure Type	Assigned Operator(s)
Participation in Regional Initiatives	All
Schedule Coordination	All
GTFS Best Practices	All
Ambassador Programs	BART, SFMTA
Crisis Prevention Program	Caltrain
Efforts to Curtail Fare Evasion	BART, SFMTA
Service Optimization	AC Transit, Golden Gate Transit

Regional Accountability Measure Process

Operators
Provide Initial
Update Through
Annual Claim
Workbook

- Occurs on rolling basis over fiscal year
- Most operators submit in summer 2024

MTC Reviews
Progress Prior to
Allocating SB
125 Funds

- Synopsis for operators claiming operating funds that month attached to PAC summary sheet
- If satisfactory progress is not made, MTC to impose remedies and/or temporarily withhold SB 125 funds

Operators
Provide Mid-Year
Update in Early
2025

- Summary of mid-year progress will be provided to PAC

AC Transit Update

LEGEND

- ⋯ Maintain Current Performance
- ⋯ In-Progress - Satisfactory
- ⊗ In-Progress - Unsatisfactory

Status	Initiative	Summary
⋯	Regional Initiatives	- Currently participating in all applicable initiatives - Co-manages several regional initiatives
⋯	Schedule Coordination	Next Milestone: AC Transit should prioritize shifting to the common operator schedule in the upcoming 2025 labor negotiation
⋯	GTFS Data	- AC Transit has implemented most basic best practices Next Milestone: AC Transit should make technical revisions identified by 511 staff
⋯	Service Optimization	- Realign Final Network Plan approved October 2024 Next Milestone: AC Transit should share findings from the service planning process to inform similar efforts at peer agencies

Program Highlight Transit 2050+ Co-Management

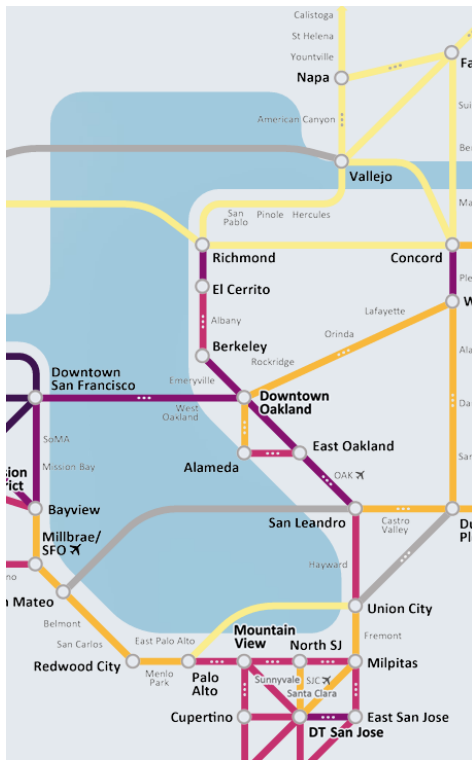


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BART Update

LEGEND

-  Maintain Current Performance
-  In-Progress - Satisfactory
-  In-Progress - Unsatisfactory

Status	Initiative	Summary
	Regional Initiatives	- Currently participating in all applicable initiatives - Co-manages several regional initiatives
	Schedule Coordination	- Aligned with the common sign-up schedule - BART coordinates with connecting agencies on schedule changes
	GTFS Data	- BART has implemented some basic best practices Next Milestone: BART should make technical revisions per 511
	Fare Gates	- New fare gates have been installed at 8 stations Next Milestone: BART should expedite installation, work toward a full funding plan for the project, and update MTC on fare collection trends
	Ambassador Program	- Currently has ~30 ambassadors and crisis intervention specialists Next Milestone: BART should continue to monitor effectiveness and implement improvements as necessary

Program Highlight New Fare Gates



Image Credit: BART

Caltrain Update

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- ⋯ Maintain Current Performance
- ⋯ In-Progress - Satisfactory
- ✗ In-Progress - Unsatisfactory

Status	Initiative	Summary
⋯	Regional Initiatives	Currently participating in all applicable initiatives
⋯	Schedule Coordination	Next Milestone: Caltrain should implement schedule changes on the common schedule (excluding changes related to introduction of electrified service)
⋯	GTFS Data	- Caltrain has implemented all applicable basic best practices Next Milestone: Caltrain should make technical revisions per 511
⋯	Crisis Prevention Program	- Suicide prevention tactics include barriers, signs, and coordination Next Milestone: Caltrain should evaluate the effectiveness of their Crisis Prevention Program and identify improvement opportunities

Program Highlight Crisis Prevention Program



Image Credit: KRON4

Golden Gate Transit Update

LEGEND

- ⋯ Maintain Current Performance
- ⋯ In-Progress - Satisfactory
- ✗ In-Progress - Unsatisfactory

Status	Initiative	Summary
⋯	Regional Initiatives	- Currently participating in all applicable initiatives - Closely involved in mapping & wayfinding pilot preparation
⋯	Schedule Coordination	- Aligned with the common sign-up schedule Next Milestone: Golden Gate Transit should leverage coordination through the MASCOTS to improve inter-operator transfer experience
⋯	GTFS Data	- Golden Gate has implemented some basic best practices Next Milestone: Golden Gate Transit should make technical revisions per 511
⋯	Service Optimization	- Executives from transit agencies and MTC started meeting in January Next Milestone: Golden Gate Transit should continue to coordinate on topics such as public outreach, zero-emission transition, and coordinated transit planning

Program Highlight MASCOTS Optimization Study



Image Credit: Marin Independent Journal

SFMTA Update

LEGEND

-  Maintain Current Performance
-  In-Progress - Satisfactory
-  In-Progress - Unsatisfactory

Status	Initiative	Summary
	Regional Initiatives	- Currently participating in all applicable initiatives - Partner on Powell St. Station mapping & wayfinding prototype
	Schedule Coordination	- SFMTA aligns operator sign-ups with BART (on common schedule) Next Milestone: SFMTA should continue to coordinate on transfers
	GTFS Data	- SFMTA has implemented most basic best practices Next Milestone: SFMTA should develop a plan to meet all best practices
	Fare Collection	- SFMTA has hired more fare inspectors and is studying fare evasion Next Milestone: SFMTA should share findings from their fare evasion study, including proposals to reduce fare evasion
	Ambassador Program	- SFMTA hired more ambassadors and collected data on safety Next Milestone: SFMTA should provide an update on Safety Equity Action Plan rollout and hiring of additional ambassadors

Program Highlight Mapping & Wayfinding Pilot



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Next Steps

Funding

- FY24-25 SB 125 operating funds were allocated to BART and ACE in October
- FY24-25 SB 125 operating allocation to SFMTA proposed for November
- Staff will return to PAC for approval of programming of regional funds in December
- ***Today's recommended action:*** Refer MTC Resolution No. 4619, Revised to the Commission for approval of the \$300 million regional funding framework

Regional Accountability Measures

- Operators to continue submitting progress updates on rolling basis
- PAC to receive monthly updates upon MTC's receipt of claims
- Staff will prepare a mid-year SB 125 regional accountability measure progress update for early 2025
- MTC staff will continue to support advancement of initiatives and bring updates to committees such as RNM