



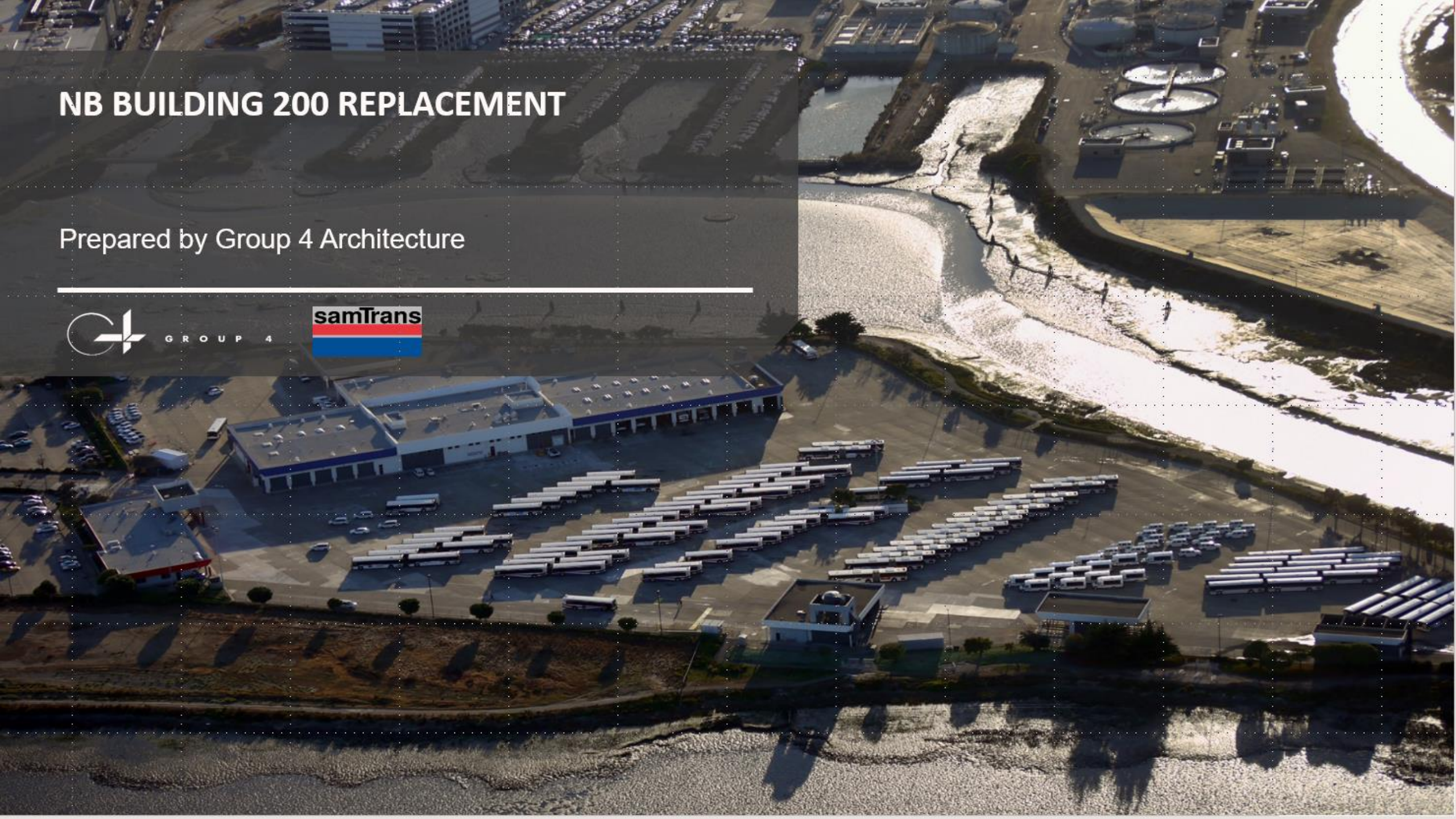
# North Base Bldg. 200 Replacement Project



SamTrans Board of Directors  
October 4, 2023

# NB BUILDING 200 REPLACEMENT

Prepared by Group 4 Architecture





- Project Background
- Building: Size & Type
- Building Site: Location
- Recommendation
- Next Steps



## NB Building 200 Functions

- Day-to-day bus operations –  
*e.g., dispatch, radio control, vault, etc.*
- Amenities and support for bus operators
- Bus Operations management offices
- Operator training space



# North Base Building 200 is ~10,650 square feet



Dispatch



Radio Control



Management Offices



Training Room



Lounge



Exercise Room



**1976**

SamTrans  
fixed-route  
bus  
service  
begins

**1988**

North Base  
Transportation  
Building 200 opens

**2023**

Today

**FUTURE**

Reimagine SamTrans

- Equity
- Efficiency
- Connections

**2010**

Building 200  
settlement first  
studied

**Today**

Building 200  
increasingly  
tilting

**Future**

Building 200  
functional building



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**Technical Memorandum**

**Date:** May 17, 2019  
**To:** Jonathan Hartman, Architect  
**From:** David Kitzmann, PG, CEG, PE  
**Subject:** SamTrans North Base Settlement Evaluation  
**WRECO Project No.:** P18115

Mr. Hartman:

Per your request, WRECO has prepared this Technical Memorandum to provide a summary of the work performed and an evaluation of the settlement at Building 100 and 200 at the SamTrans North Base Facility (Project).

**Project Description**

The Project site is a North Base Bus Yard in South San Francisco, California. The North Base Bus Yard is a property owned, operated, and maintained by the San Mateo County Transit District (SamTrans). The Project scope includes evaluating the reported settlement and distress at Building 100 and Building 200 at the site. The Project site can be seen in relation to existing site features on Figure 1, Vicinity Map, attached.

**Scope of Services**

Our proposed scope of services for this study consisted of the following:

- Review available published geological studies;
- Perform a field survey including a floor-level survey of the ground floor of Building 100 and Building 200;
- Provide a comparison between measurements between 2010 and the measurements taken by SamTrans for this study; and
- Prepare a Geotechnical Engineering Technical Memorandum.

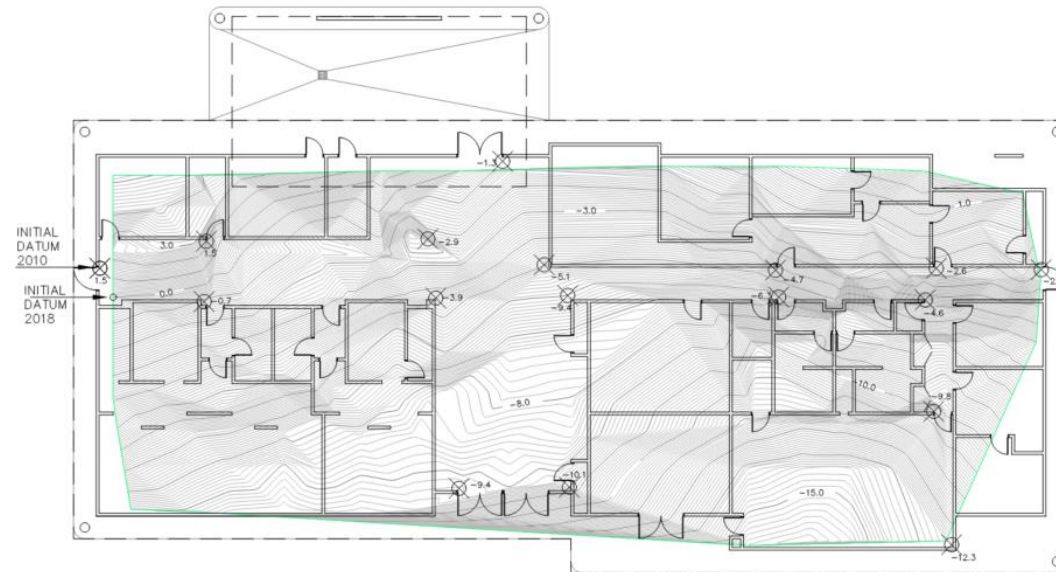
**Site Geology**

The site is shown on available geologic mapping (USGS, 1998) as underlain by artificial fill over tidal flat (Figure 2). This material is described as clay, silt, sand, rock fragments, organic matter, and man-made debris placed over tidal flats. The mapping also indicates the shoreline in the 1800s was located a short distance to the east and south of the Project area with a channel extending near or under the location of Building 200.

A geotechnical report (Clark and Associates, 1979) prepared for a proposed aggregate recycling plant included six borings made around the perimeter of the island. These borings show a variable depth of soft organic clay (Bay Mud) of ranging from approximately 10- to 35-foot thickness underlain by generally dense to very dense silty and clayey sand and stiff to very stiff sandy clay.

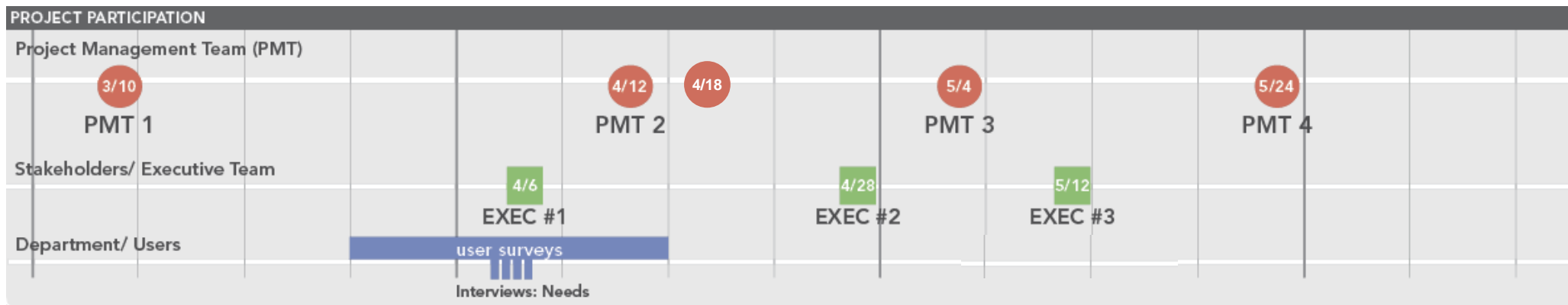
# 2019 North Base Settlement Evaluation

- Settlement caused by poor soil conditions
- Current Building 200 cannot be repaired cost-effectively
- Recommends replacement of Bldg. 200



# Requirements Gathering

- Purpose – spaces and operational needs
- Process – March-June 2023
- Participants – Bus Operations Management; Bus Operators; other District representatives





*Goal: improve bus operator amenities*

*Goal: more collaborative work space*

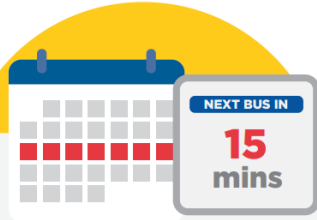




*Goal: high performance building*

*Goal: reflect District values and best practices*

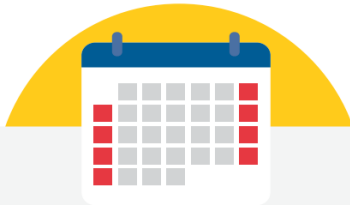




**More frequent service**



**Faster service**



**More coverage on weekends**



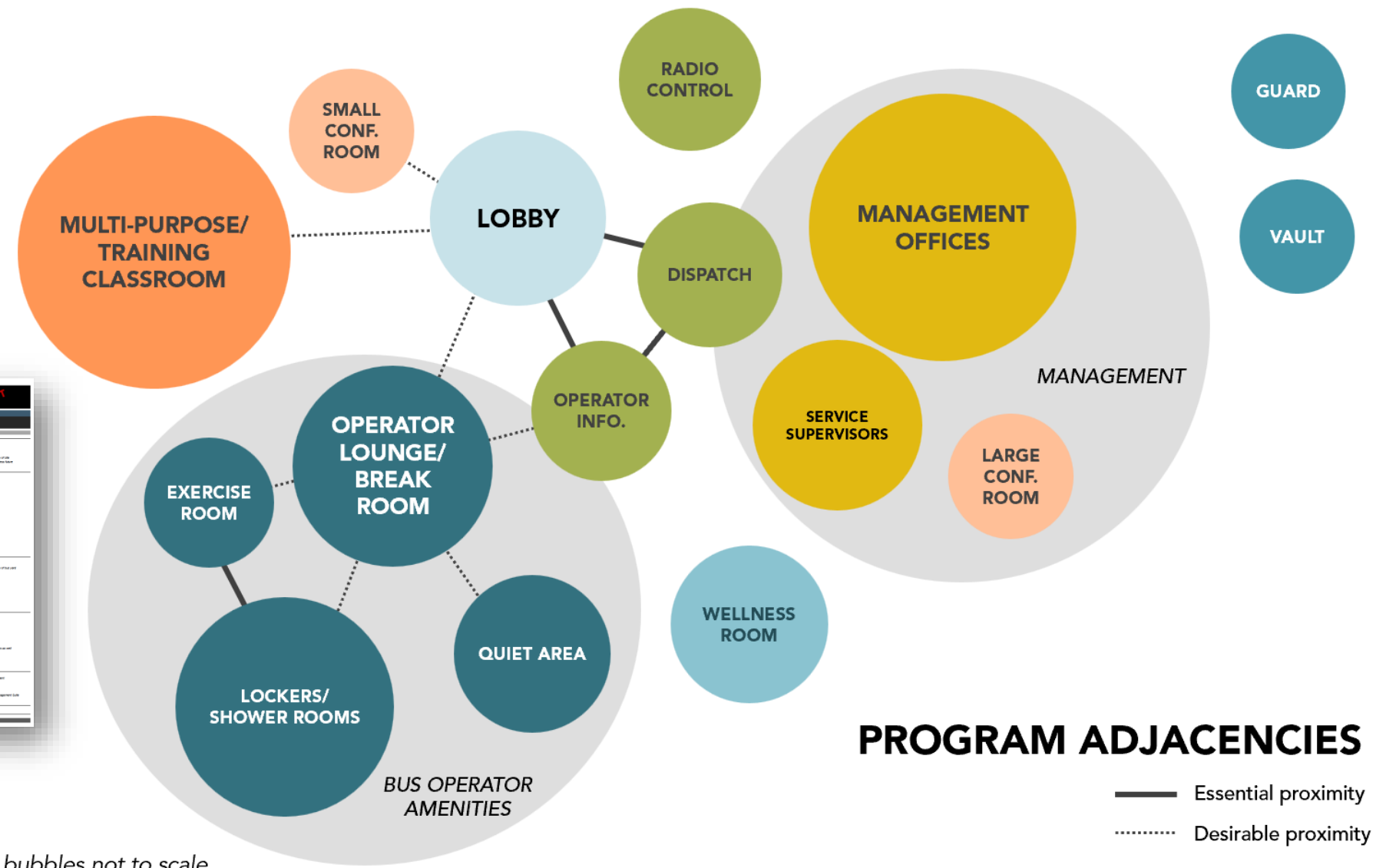
**Later night service**

*Goal: accommodate expanded future operations*

*Goal: achievable within District resources*



Room Name	Area	Area	Area	Area	Area
<b>GENERAL PURPOSE FUNCTION</b>					
Office	1,000 SF	1,000 SF			
Dispatch Unit	1,000 SF	1,000 SF			
Control Room	1,000 SF	1,000 SF			
Small Conference Room	1,000 SF	1,000 SF			
<b>BUS OPERATOR/OPERATOR AMENITIES</b>					
Operator Lounge/Break Room	1,000 SF	1,000 SF			
Locker/Showers	1,000 SF	1,000 SF			
Quiet Area	1,000 SF	1,000 SF			
<b>MANAGEMENT OFFICES</b>					
Management Office	1,000 SF	1,000 SF			
Service Supervisors	1,000 SF	1,000 SF			
Large Conference Room	1,000 SF	1,000 SF			
<b>WELLNESS ROOM</b>					
Wellness Room	1,000 SF	1,000 SF			
<b>OTHER</b>					
Exercise Room	1,000 SF	1,000 SF			
Radio Control	1,000 SF	1,000 SF			
Guard	1,000 SF	1,000 SF			
Vault	1,000 SF	1,000 SF			



bubbles not to scale

## PROGRAM ADJACENCIES

- Essential proximity
- ..... Desirable proximity

# Building Size Options

## 0. CURRENT BUILDING 200 PROGRAM

What does Building  
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~10,650  
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*1-Story*

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## B. READY FOR GROWTH PROGRAM

What will be needed for future expanded operations and growth?

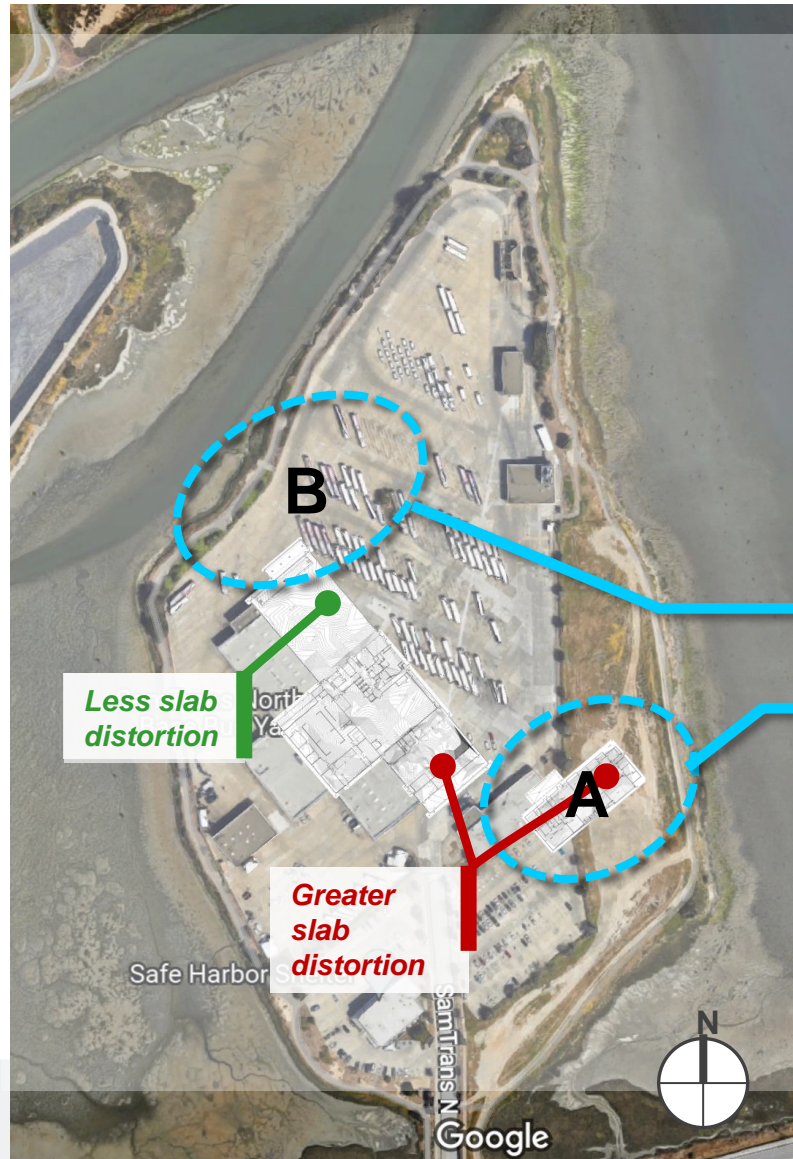
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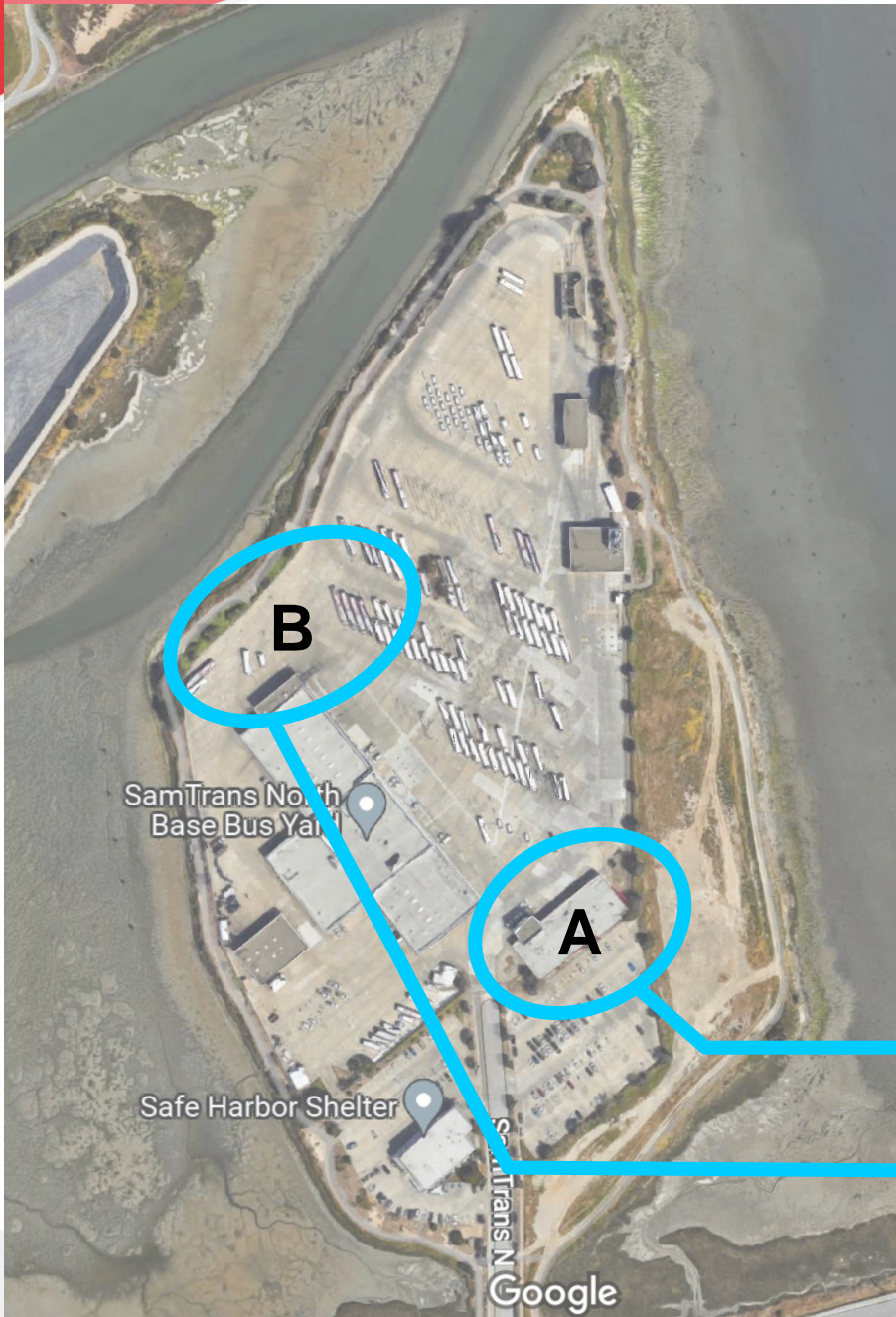
Based on 2019 No. Base Settlement Evaluation



**Site B** – Alternate Building 200 Site

**Site A** – Existing Building 200 Site





## Site Study

(November 2022 – May 2023)

Evaluate suitability of two sites for Building 200 based on:

- Civil survey
- Hydrology
- Soil Condition/Quality

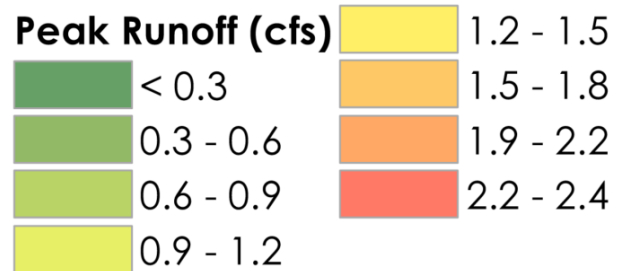
**Site A** – Existing Building 200 Site

**Site B** – Alternate Building 200 Site

# Civil Survey + Hydrology

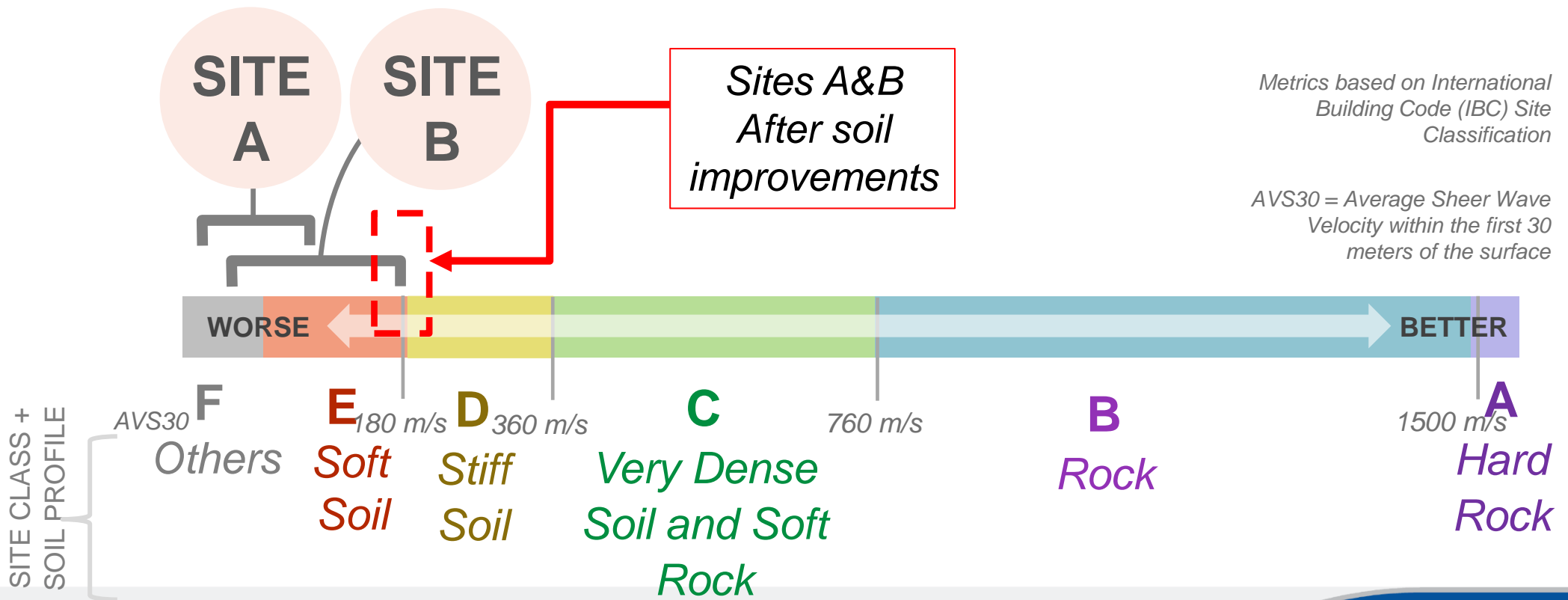
*Both **Site A** and **Site B** are similar in terms of surface grades, flooding, and projected sea level rise*

*(note: new finish floor elevation to be determined in design)*



# Soil Quality

*Soft soil conditions at **both sites** will require deep foundations and strengthening the soil capacity around the building*





*Better soil quality at **Site B** may require relatively less soil improvement and slightly less deep foundations than Site A*

*SITE A AND B  
COMPARISON*

SAMTRANS NB BUILDING 200

	SITE A	SITE B
Civil Survey	$A = B$	
Hydrological	$A = B$	
Geotechnical	$A < B$	

# Options for Bldg. 200

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*1-Story*



*2-Story*



*2-Story*



**Existing Site:**

A

A

A

**Alternate Site:**

B

B

B

# Project Estimate Costs

- Construction Contract
- Design Consultant Contracts
- Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment
- Project Management & Project Controls
- Construction Management & Inspection
- Relocation of Bldg. 200 Occupants (for Site A)
- Escalation (3 years)

# Project Cost Estimates: Bldg. 200

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2-Story



2-Story



**Site A:**

\$27 M - \$30 M

\$34 M - \$37 M

\$39 M - \$43 M

**Site B:**

\$23 M - \$26 M

\$30 M - \$33 M

\$35 M - \$39 M

# Optional Enhancement

Construct Building 200 using standards for an Essential Facility (Category IV)

- Enables Bldg. 200 to be a designated Emergency Operations Center (EOC) required for emergency response
- Hardens Bldg. 200 against future environmental impacts such as sea level rise and earthquakes
- Allows SamTrans to remain operational and continue to serve the community during an environmental crisis.

Designated EOC

Category IV  
Construction



Immediate  
Occupancy

Additional Cost: Optional Enhancement

- Site A: +\$3.0 million
- Site B: +\$2.4 million



# Project Cost Estimates: Bldg. 200 as an Essential Facility

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2-Story



2-Story



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\$30 M - \$33 M

\$36 M - \$40 M

\$42 M - \$46 M

**Site B:**

\$26 M - \$29 M

\$32 M - \$36 M

\$37 M - \$41 M

# Operational Concerns with Site B

- Safety - increased interaction between employees and moving vehicles
- Longer walking distance from parking lot to Site B could result in miss-outs where operators are more than 60 seconds late for work
- Union could ask for additional compensation for additional time to walk between the parking lot to Site B



# Recommendation: Bldg. 200 as an Essential Facility

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**Recommendation**



# Funding

- Initial funds for design of Bldg. 200 are included in the current Capital Budget
- Apply for grant funding opportunities although limited

# North Base 200 Replacement Project Process

