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Subject: Support for Coastside Regional Corridor
Date: Thursday, July 1, 2021 8:48:40 PM
Attachments: [Att1_2021_06_28BlueRibbonAgendaPage60.pdf](#)
[Att2_Western_GG_Corridor.pdf](#)

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To: SamTrans Board

CC: San Mateo Coastside Government and Business Leaders, Commute.org

Good News, one of the next steps outlined on page 60 (1st attachment) of the [June 28 MTC Blue Ribbon Task force public meeting](#) is to “ Request a Caltrans Deputy Directive ...that expedites travel time improvements on arterials and bus rights-of-way.”

This makes now the perfect time for SamTrans to start a conversation with GG Transit, Muni and Marin Transit to kickoff establishing a 1-ride Western (Golden Gate) selected bus stop transit corridor from Novato to Half Moon Bay (2nd attachment.) Working with the MTC and Caltrans this could potentially provide prioritized access to the Caltrans \$4 Billion Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation budget ([Caltrans 2021-22 Budget, page 11](#)).

The following is a response to a recent comment to Plan Bay Area 2050:

“...featured in the Draft Plan, transportation project list for Plan Bay Area 2050 includes investments totaling over \$100 million throughout the Highway 1 corridor, including operational and safety improvements between Half Moon Bay and Pacifica that would support faster and more reliable transit service.

... We encourage you to continue engaging with the City/County Association of Governments and SamTrans to continue the development of this proposed project for a Western Bay Area Transit Express Bus Corridor. Plan Bay Area is updated every four years, and this project could be considered for inclusion during the next long-range planning cycle, with a call for projects likely in 2023.

Dave Vautin, AICP

Assistant Director, Major Plans

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Similar to how BART and the MTC provided Staff time (funding) for planning the “Regional” integrated fares initiative, the Bus Operators might make a portion of their ‘so excellent planning’ Staff time (funding) available for planning “Regional” bus corridors. This is a nimble way to step into how current Bay Area transit leaders might bring a Regional Network Manager into being. Those staff are tasked to put their ‘Bay Area Regional Hats’ on, to think outside of a single operator district. Until there is any type of formal legislation to fund a Regional Network Manager, authority is vested in the transit operators that fund Regional Network activity for constructive input into the Blue-Ribbon Task Force Network Management planning effort.

Perhaps as a way to identify early right-of-way upgrades and gauge public feedback, a combination of the four bus operators might envision a proof of concept, one ride along the length of Western Corridor with the collaboration and support from business and government leaders. Or three operators to San Raphael or two operators to the Golden Gate Bridge or just SamTrans from Half Moon Bay to BART Daly City. It could be as simple as a weekend event. Unfortunately, this year there will be no Pumpkin Festival, but the good news is there will still be pumpkins.

How can we help?

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TRANSFORMATION ACTION PLAN: **ACCELERATED ACTIONS** (DRAFT)

III. TRANSIT NETWORK

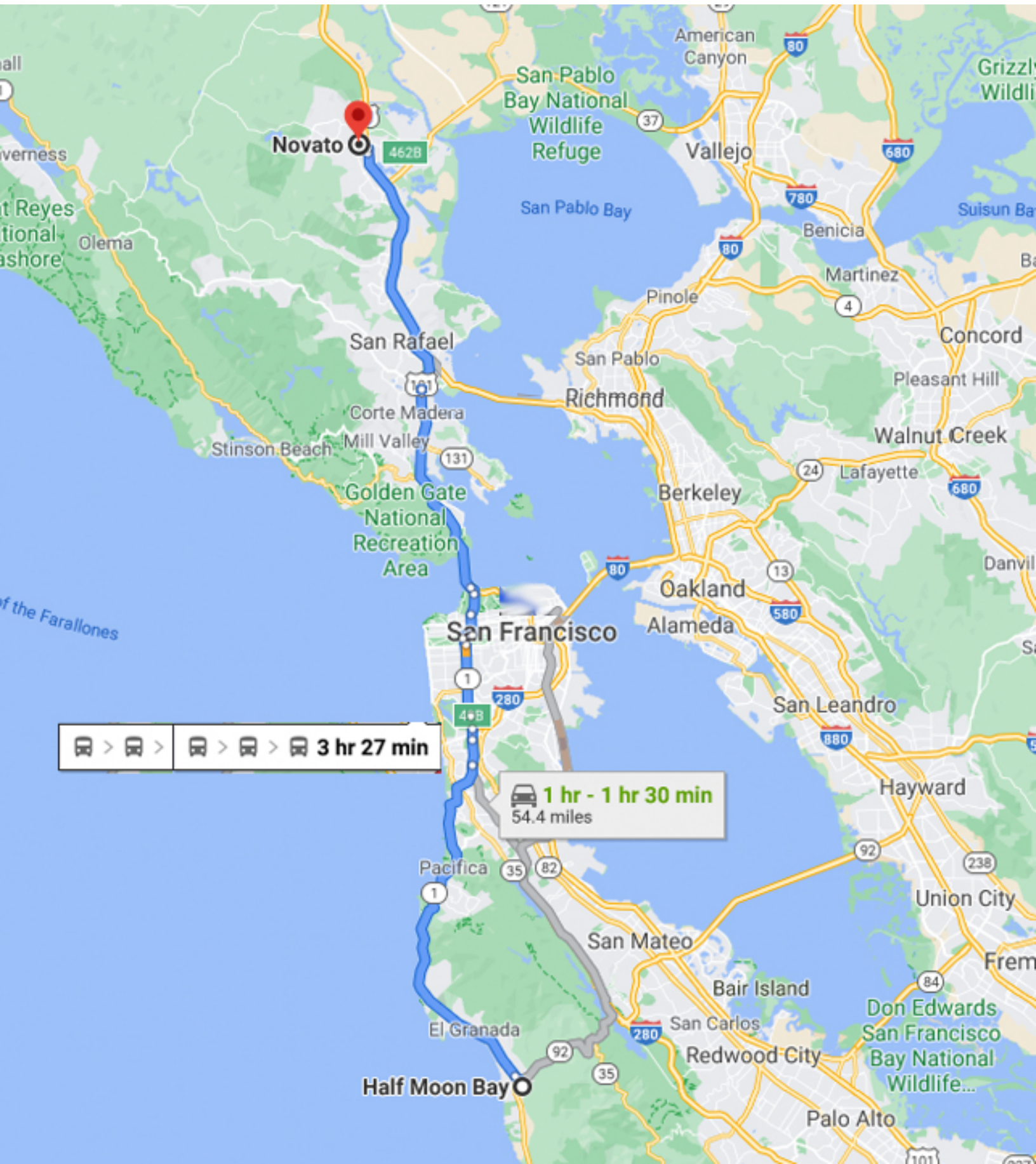


Bus Transit Priority (speed & reliability)

- Request a Caltrans Deputy Directive that expedites State right-of-way bus priority Design Exceptions **by December 2021**.
- Sponsor legislation to remove barriers to transit priority implementation **by early 2022**.
- Fund design and delivery of prioritized near-term Bay Area Forward projects **by mid-2022**.
- Select near-term HOV lane operating policies to advance **by mid-2022**.
- Define a Cooperative Agreement process that expedites travel time improvements on arterials and bus rights-of-way **by late 2022**.

Active Efforts – Regional Transit Priority and Arterial Investment programs





From: [Dubost, Tina](#)
To: [Rios, Rona](#); [De La Torre, Andria](#)
Cc: [Board \(@samtrans.com\)](#); [Rivas, Ana](#)
Subject: RE: Tried calling
Date: Thursday, July 1, 2021 10:47:22 AM

I called the customer and gave him an update
Thank you
Tina Dubost
SamTrans
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From: MICHAEL HARRIS [mailto:usmmmh@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 01, 2021 9:49 AM
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Cc: Rios, Rona; De La Torre, Andria; Board (@samtrans.com)
Subject: Tried calling

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Dear Tina,

I tried calling this morning.

Have you made any progress on North County bus shelters?

It rained last night again.

I hope to get at least the dead tree problem along El Camino Real removed or trimmed soonest.

Sergeant Matthew O'Connor went to visit the area yesterday.

The 2 DOT maps that I found yesterday show the residents homes are well back from the road.

This area appears to be owned by Cal Trans. CPUC may have some influence to solving the tree branch problem.

Your bus stop at Arlington can well be improved.

I have tried to get bus shelters here for many years.

Your Arroyo Drive bus stop is now in a better location going south.

The McClellan Drive bus stop needs to be moved south a few feet into the

offset area.

It needs a shelter there. Many school children use this bus stop.

Mike

From: [Alicia Chu](#)
To: [Board \(@samtrans.com\)](#)
Subject: Anti-racism art on buses
Date: Wednesday, June 30, 2021 12:29:56 PM

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Thank you, SamTrans, for having anti-racism art on public buses!

We need all the help we can get to spread the word to build tolerance & understanding for everyone that calls the Bay Area their home.

Alicia Chu
San Bruno, CA

From: [MICHAEL HARRIS](#)
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Subject: SMDJ: City of San Mateo identifies pedestrian hot (danger) spots (link)
Date: Sunday, June 27, 2021 10:06:52 AM

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https://www.smdailyjournal.com/news/local/san-mateo-identifies-pedestrian-hot-spots/article_1b840696-d632-11eb-a21d-3b709600b29e.html

Dear Jeff,

Please bring this before the Traffic Advisory Committee next week.

I have asked this before. I have no reason to believe rest of SSF is safer than the small area that I walk.

I hope to get the dead tree just south of Grocery Outlet removed before it falls soon.

I hope the Monterey Cypress north of Hickey will be trimmed soon too.

Maybe Caltrans can find funding to widen the road here.

At least on the west side, it could be widened for pedestrians & bikers. A better Samtrans ECR stop could be fashioned.

Areas I walk to run errands & shop are also transit areas for children & other seniors.

We need several crosswalks top of McClellan at Alta Loma Park.

Taylor Avenue, Millbrae & El Camino Real has a pedestrian stop light. It only activates to stop vehicles when a pedestrian pushes the button. I cross here to the ECR bus stop to return North from Millbrae.

I would like this in places like Sequoia & Old Mission Road. It may not be suitable here, but in other high danger places.

I am much slowed since the Pandemic Isolation.

Have a nice weekend,
Mike