

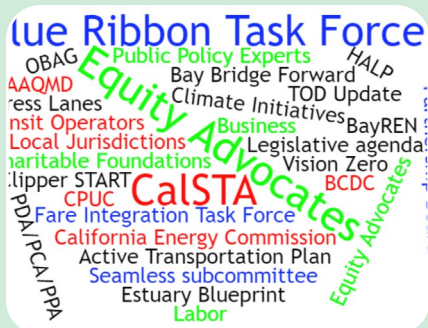
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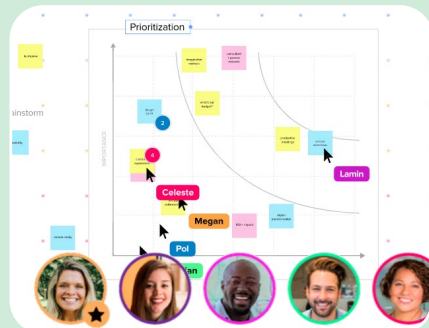
Implementation Plan Partnership Phase Findings & Final Steps to Adoption

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Implementation Plan: Timeline



Sept-Nov 2020



Nov-Jan 2021



Feb-May 2021



Jun-Aug 2021



Sept-Oct 2021

Phase 1: Analysis

- Strategy assessment & brainstorming
- Mapping complementary efforts, initiatives and partners

Phase 2: Engagement

- Nov. committees feedback ★
- Two virtual stakeholder meetings
- Small group meetings
- Public/CBO outreach

Phase 3: Draft Plan

- Feb. + Mar. progress update to committees ★
- Identify opportunities and challenges
- Develop Draft Implementation Plan

Phase 4: Partnerships

- Public outreach & comment period
- Virtual partner & stakeholder workshop
- Focused discussions and small group meetings

Phase 5: Final Plan

- Sept. progress update to committees ★
- Develop Final Implementation Plan
- Final Plan release and adoption ✓

★ = Board/Commission input ✓ = Board/Commission approval

Implementation Plan: Partnership Phase (*Summer*)

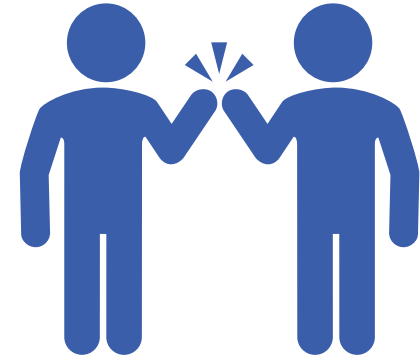
- The Partnership Phase expanded the focus beyond **MTC/ABAG** to help identify a broader range of actions, complementary initiatives, and potential commitments for incorporation into the Final Implementation Plan.
- Partnership Phase elements included:

Virtual workshop for partners & stakeholders (*Monday, July 19*)

Comment period (*Late May through July 20*)

One-on-ones and small group focused discussions (*May 26 to August 13*)

Webinar + Q&A (*Tuesday, August 17*)



Implementation Plan: Feedback from Partners

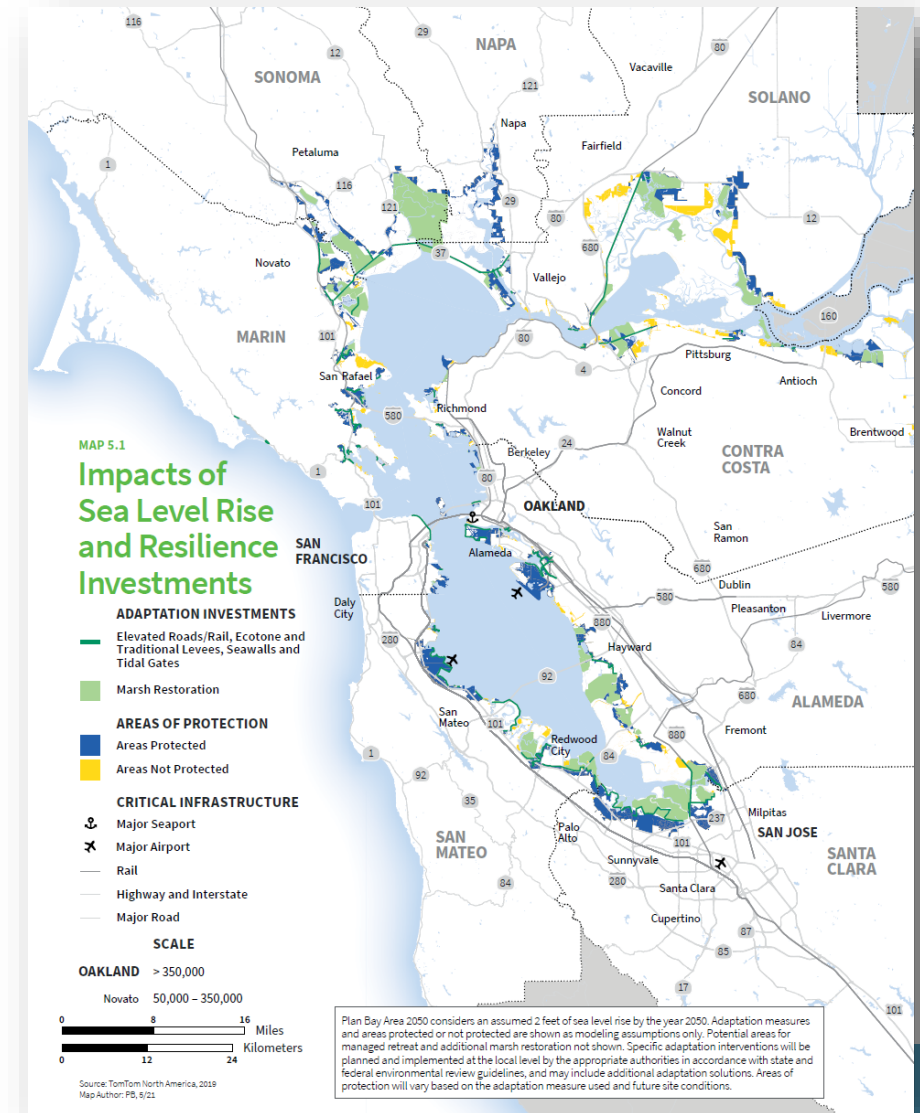
- Staff sought feedback on the Draft Implementation during the Plan Bay Area 2050 public comment period; combined with other summer engagement input, this will inform the Final Plan Bay Area 2050 to be considered for adoption in October.
- Input was received on all plan strategies, although there were more requests for revisions and clarifications for Transportation and Environment implementation actions versus Housing and Economy implementation actions
- Key Partnership Phase findings for each plan strategy have been incorporated into the *Draft Implementation Briefs (Revised)*.
- The focus of today's presentation will be on five select topic areas where partnership discussions and feedback informed significant proposed Implementation Plan revisions, including:
 1. Sea level rise adaptation
 2. Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task Force work
 3. Workforce development needs and opportunities
 4. Housing and anti-displacement programs
 5. Tracking progress of Plan implementation



Environment: Sea Level Rise Adaptation



- Based upon feedback received during the Partnership Phase from environmental non-profits and regional agencies, **staff are proposing to change the MTC/ABAG implementation role** for *Strategy EN1: Adapt to Sea Level Rise* from “Lead” to “Partner”.
- **This will better reflect the multi-sectoral and multi-disciplinary nature** of sea level rise adaptation work and strengthen the alignment with the BCDC-led Bay Adapt process, which identifies specific actions for MTC/ABAG to advance.
- **The Final Implementation Plan will further highlight key partner-led efforts**, including those by BARC, BCDC, and the San Francisco Estuary Partnership, among others.



For more information on proposed Implementation Plan revisions for Strategy EN1, please see *Draft Implementation Briefs (Revised)*.

Transportation: Transit Recovery Task Force



- **Transportation partners identified during the Partnership Phase that more clarity was needed regarding the alignment of the Plan Bay Area 2050 Implementation Plan with the work of the Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task Force.**
- **Concurrently, the Transformation Action Plan released in July included 27 recommendations, including integration policy, mapping and wayfinding, bus transit priority, and more.**
- **Blue Ribbon recommendations will be more deeply woven into the Final Implementation Plan, generally nesting under existing transportation strategies under the themes of *Maintain and Optimize the Existing System* and *Build a Next-Generation Transit Network*.**



For more information on proposed Blue Ribbon-related Implementation Plan revisions, please see Draft Implementation Briefs (Revised).



- Partnership Phase discussions revealed new concerns from a range of economic stakeholders related to workforce development.
- Both labor and business organization identified challenges in this area, with labor seeking to ensure an adequately sized and skilled construction workforce and business flagging concerns on staff shortages and skill gaps.
- The Final Implementation Plan proposes significant revisions to actions under *Strategy EC2: Expand Job Training and Incubator Programs*:
 - Emphasize the importance of apprenticeship opportunities and high-road career opportunities, including construction, through regional advocacy efforts
 - Propose enhanced collaboration with both labor and business on regional modeling of workforce supply factors moving forward

Housing: Anti-Displacement Programs



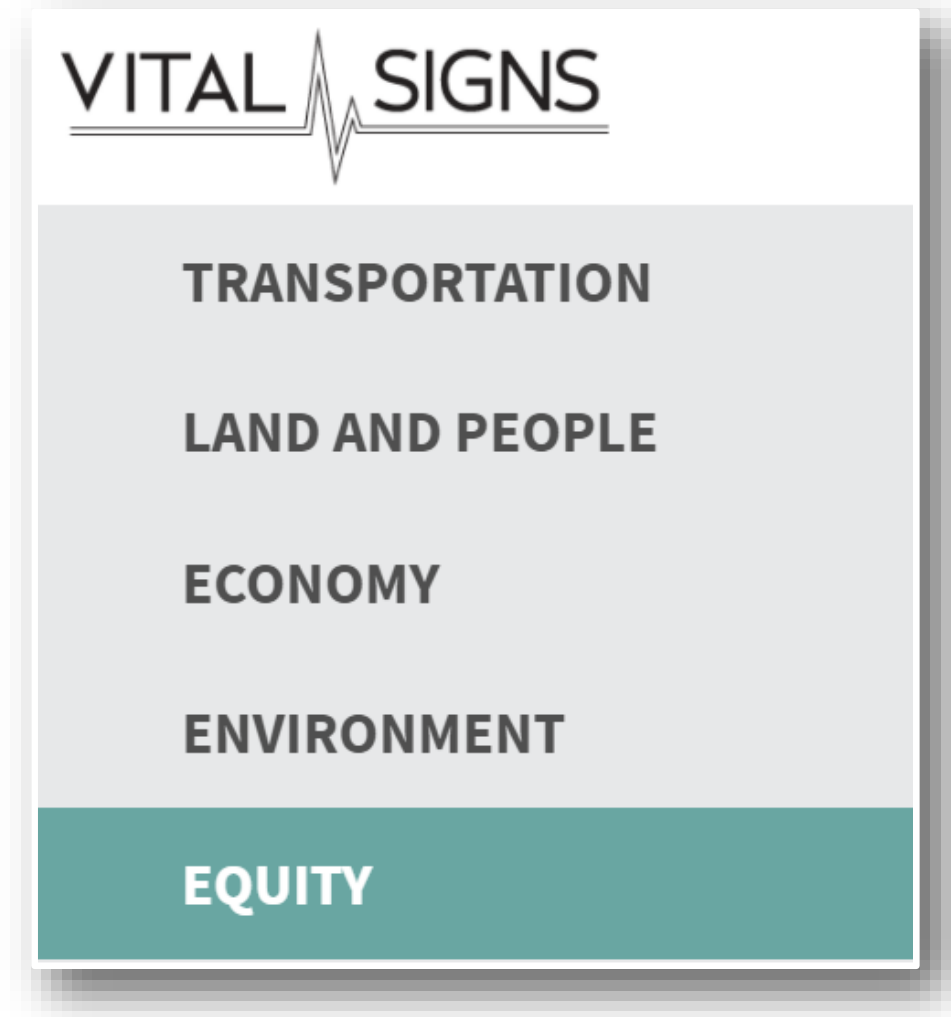
- **Housing and equity advocates, as well as some local jurisdictions,** raised the importance of prioritizing implementation actions that will support anti-displacement efforts.
- **The recently-approved California state budget included a \$20 million allocation to stand up the Bay Area Housing Finance Authority (BAHFA);** this allocation will help accelerate proposed pilot projects included in the Draft Implementation Plan.
- **The Final Implementation Plan proposes revisions in multiple housing areas,** including a BAHFA-led action to launch a pilot project which will develop standardized best practices for tenant protection programs and scope potential regional-scale anti-displacement programs.



For more information on proposed Implementation Plan revisions for the plan's housing strategies, please see Draft Implementation Briefs (Revised).

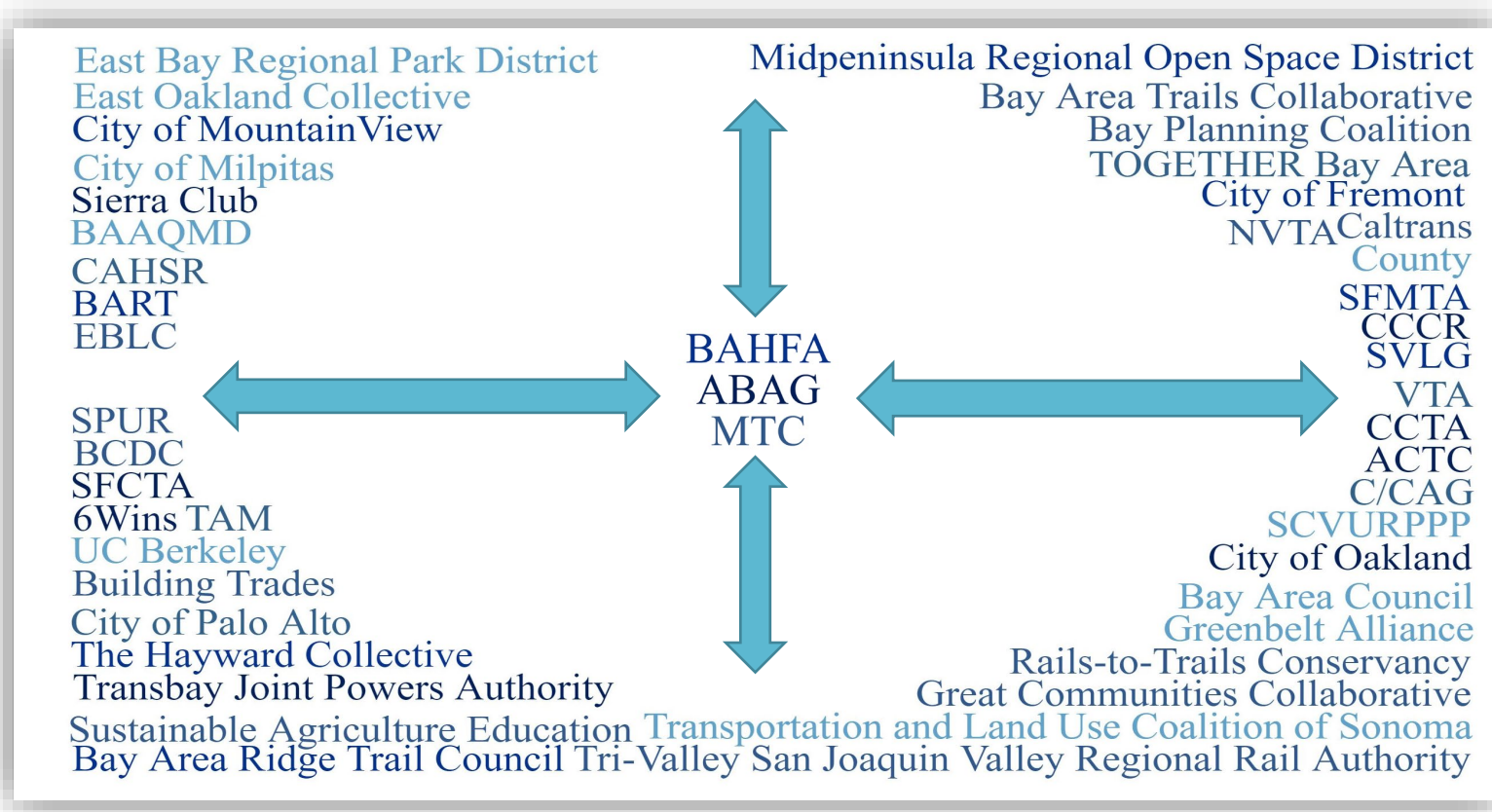
Tracking Progress: Supporting Accountability

- Partners across various sectors spoke of the **need to track progress** and support accountability after plan adoption - an important need given state oversight of Plan implementation going forward.
- In the **Final Implementation Plan**, staff are committing to providing **status updates and progress reports** at least annually starting in 2022 to MTC/ABAG's committees & boards.
- Staff also propose building upon the robust **performance tracking work in Vital Signs**, the regional performance monitoring initiative, as a tool to more effectively gauge Plan Bay Area 2050 implementation progress.



Partnership: The Key to Implementation Success

- The Partnership Phase saw at least **45 distinct partners** offering potential commitments or statements of support to advance implementation over the next 1-5 years, across all plan strategies.
- **MTC/ABAG staff are grateful for the dedication partners have shown** throughout the four-year planning process and look forward to continued collaboration.
- **Partnership will be critical as we transition to Plan implementation** and push forward with the advocacy, initiatives, projects and planning activities that will make Plan Bay Area 2050 a reality.



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Final Steps to Plan Adoption

What's Next for October?

Comments & Responses

- In addition to feedback on partnership opportunities for the Final Implementation Plan, MTC/ABAG staff are **actively reviewing hundreds of additional emails and letters submitted prior to the close of the comment period on July 20th.**
- **Draft EIR comments received will be responded to within the Final EIR;** comments received on non-EIR matters are being responded to on a rolling basis.
- **When appropriate, revisions will be made to the Plan Bay Area 2050 Final Document, Final Supplemental Reports, Final Implementation Plan, and Final EIR as part of next month's release.**



Considering Final Plan Bay Area 2050 for Adoption

Public Release of Final Plan

- Anticipated no later than the week of October 4th
- Includes Final Plan Document, Final Implementation Plan, Final Supplemental Reports, and Final EIR

Stakeholder & Public Presentations

- Regional Advisory Working Group
- MTC Policy Advisory Council
- ABAG Regional Planning Committee

Committees & Boards to Consider Adoption

- Joint MTC Planning/ABAG Administrative Committee (October 8th)
- Joint Commission/ABAG Executive Board Meeting (October 21st)

Submission for Federal/State Approval*

- California Air Resources Board (CARB)
- Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) & Federal Transit Administration (FTA)
- Caltrans

Plan Implementation

- Already underway with additional initiatives slated to kick off in early 2022
- Annual updates to Joint MTC Planning/ABAG Administrative Committee on progress

** If adopted, Final Plan Bay Area 2050 would be submitted to federal & state partners no later than November 2021, with final approvals anticipated from all federal & state agencies no earlier than winter 2022.*

Questions or Comments?

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