Plan Bay Area Spring 2015 Open House Summary

Wednesday, May 13, 2015 7 pm - 9 pm Hotel Whitcomb 1231 Market Street San Francisco Approximate Attendance





Goals and Targets Station Feedback

At the Goals and Targets Station, participants received information about the current goals and targets for Plan Bay Area, as well as the process underway to update them. Participants were asked to select their top three personal priorities from the list of current goals and targets for Plan Bay Area, and to post their other ideas on an adjoining additional board.



Below is a sampling of the comments that were submitted at the San Francisco open house. Visit PlanBayArea.org to view the complete list.

Is there anything missing from these goals?



- Funding plan for affordable housing; stability in housing prices
- Plan for sea level rise
- Water supply
- Sewer, roads
- Preserve neighborhood character
- Housing to match office development





What are the biggest challenges facing your community?



- · Affordable housing
- Displacement of low-income people
- Low incentives for bike/ped
- Broken transportation network
- Political difficulties with building dense housing

What are your ideas for solving these challenges?

- Liberalize zoning
- Incentives for using alternative transit
- Second transbay tube from Oakland to SoMa
- Build housing for future workers to make up for under-building in the past
- More flexibility and forward thinking



Transportation Station Feedback

The Transportation Station included displays about currently planned local and regional transportation projects (highways, public transit, bicycle/pedestrian, local road improvements, etc.). On an accompanying board, participants were asked to post ideas for new projects, then to share their biggest transportation challenges and offer solutions for improving their trips.

What projects are missing? What would make it easier for you to get where you need to go?



- More park/ride at all major stations
- Tax incentives for low emissions
- Second transbay BART tube
- Better transit to the Richmond

What are the biggest transportation challenges in your town? In the Bay Area? What would make it better?

- Improve commute times
- Increase evening transit options
- Better bike, pedestrian and vehicle separation on roads
- Too many transit agencies



Looking Ahead Station Feedback

At the Looking Ahead Station, participants received information on how ABAG develops population and economy forecasts, as well as how past projections compared to actual numbers. Participants were asked to share their feedback on two key questions:

What concerns you about the future of your community?



- Displacement of low-income and communities of color
- Rising housing costs
- · Too much traffic
- Inadequate housing, and accessibility for persons with disabilities

What possibilities most excite you?

- Influx of capital
- High density, transit-oriented development
- More bike infrastructure
- · Creation of green collar jobs
- Improved transit, making it easier to get around without a car