



**SFMTA**  
Municipal  
Transportation  
Agency

# SFMTA Rail Capacity Strategy

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SFCTA Plans and Programs Committee

- Rail Capacity Strategy
  - Purpose & Need
  - Scope
- Methodology
- System-wide Investments
- Near-Term Investments
- Workshops & Outreach
- Medium/Long-Term Investments
- Next Steps & Discussion



- Prioritized over next two CIP cycles (0-10 year)
  - Specific projects (scope, schedule, budget) that leverage SOGR opportunities and can be added to CIP
- Prioritized Mid & Long Term (10-20+ year)  
Capacity Improvement and Expansion Corridor Concepts
  - Order of Magnitude/Unit Cost Based Cost Estimates



## Assess

- Identify capacity constraints of existing system
- Quantify capacity shortfall at most crowded points

## Develop

- Brainstorm potential capacity enhancing solutions
- Develop concept descriptions

## Screen

- Screen concepts for high level feasibility
- Group concepts into tiers for further analysis

# System-wide Investments



Vetag switches/crossovers



Terminal/Tail track



Station/Platform  
Enhancement



Switches/crossovers



Transit "Red Carpet"/  
Raised Trackway



Transit Signal Priority

# Near-term Investments

NAME / PROJECT DESCRIPTION	BENEFITS	TIMELINE	COST
<b>West Portal Conflict Reduction:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Restrict conflicting turn movements</li> <li>Replace magnetized rail segments</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improved Reliability</li> <li>Improved Travel Time</li> </ul>	<3 Years	\$1.5m (Pilot only)
<b>Muni Metro Extension Turnback Track:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Construct pocket track east of Harrison Street</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improve Passenger Comfort</li> <li>Improve Reliability</li> <li>Improve Travel Time</li> </ul>	4–5 Years	\$8.5m
<b>Muni Metro Extension Surface Train Control System:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Upgrade existing Transit Signal Priority along Embarcadero from Ferry Portal to 4th and King and south along 3rd Street to 16th Street</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improved Passenger Comfort</li> <li>Improved Reliability</li> <li>Improved Travel Time</li> </ul>	3–5 Years	\$10.5m
<b>Church &amp; Duboce Portal Conflict Reduction:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analyze vehicle or turn prohibition and improved pedestrian and bicycle circulation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improved Reliability</li> <li>Improved Travel Time</li> </ul>	2–5 Years	\$0.5m (Planning only)

# Systemwide & Near-term Investments

## RAIL CAPACITY STRATEGY

- West Portal Conflict Reduction
- Muni Metro Extension Turnback Track
- Muni Metro Extension Transit Signal Enhancements/Embarcadero Tramways
- Church and Duboce Portal Conflict Reduction

\$20M

## MUNI FORWARD

- 22 Filmore: 16th St Transit Priority Project
- 14 Mission: Downtown Mission Transit Priority Project
- L Taraval: Transit and Streetscape Enhancements
- See Muni Forward Implementation Plan for additional projects

\$225M

## MAJOR CORRIDORS

- Van Ness Bus Rapid Transit
- Geary Bus Rapid Transit
- Better Market Street
- M-Line/19th Avenue Core Capacity Project

\$475M

## SPOT IMPROVEMENTS

- Transit Spot Improvements & Red Lanes
- Overhead Catenary System

\$115M

**Total Need: \$835M**

**Funding Gap: \$144M**  
**Estimated Revenue: \$691M**



**FY 2022-2026**






**FY 2017-2021**





### Current Rail System

-  Existing SFMTA Rail Network
-  Caltrain
-  BART

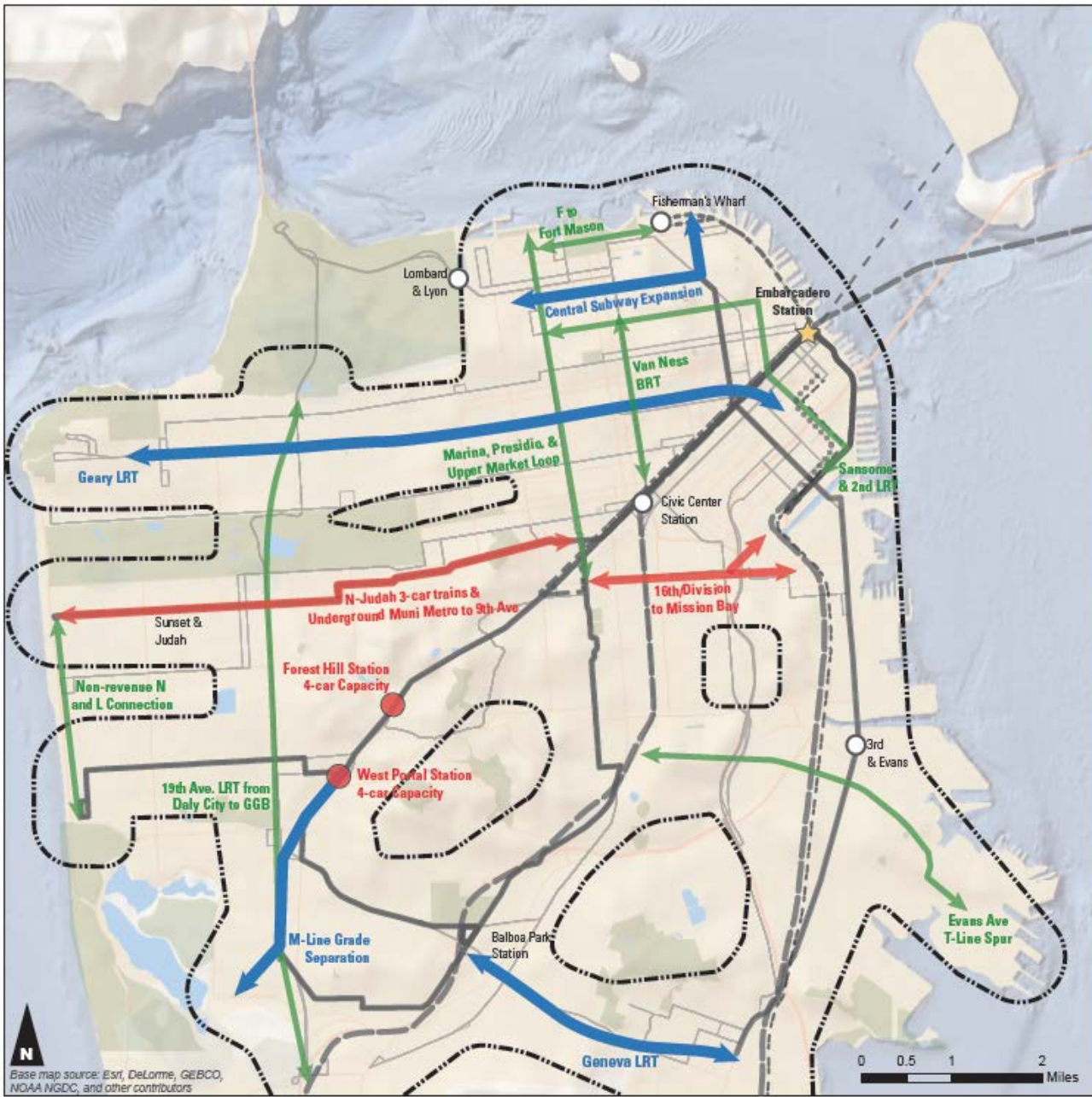
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More Frequently  
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# Long-Term Investments



Tier 1



Tier 2



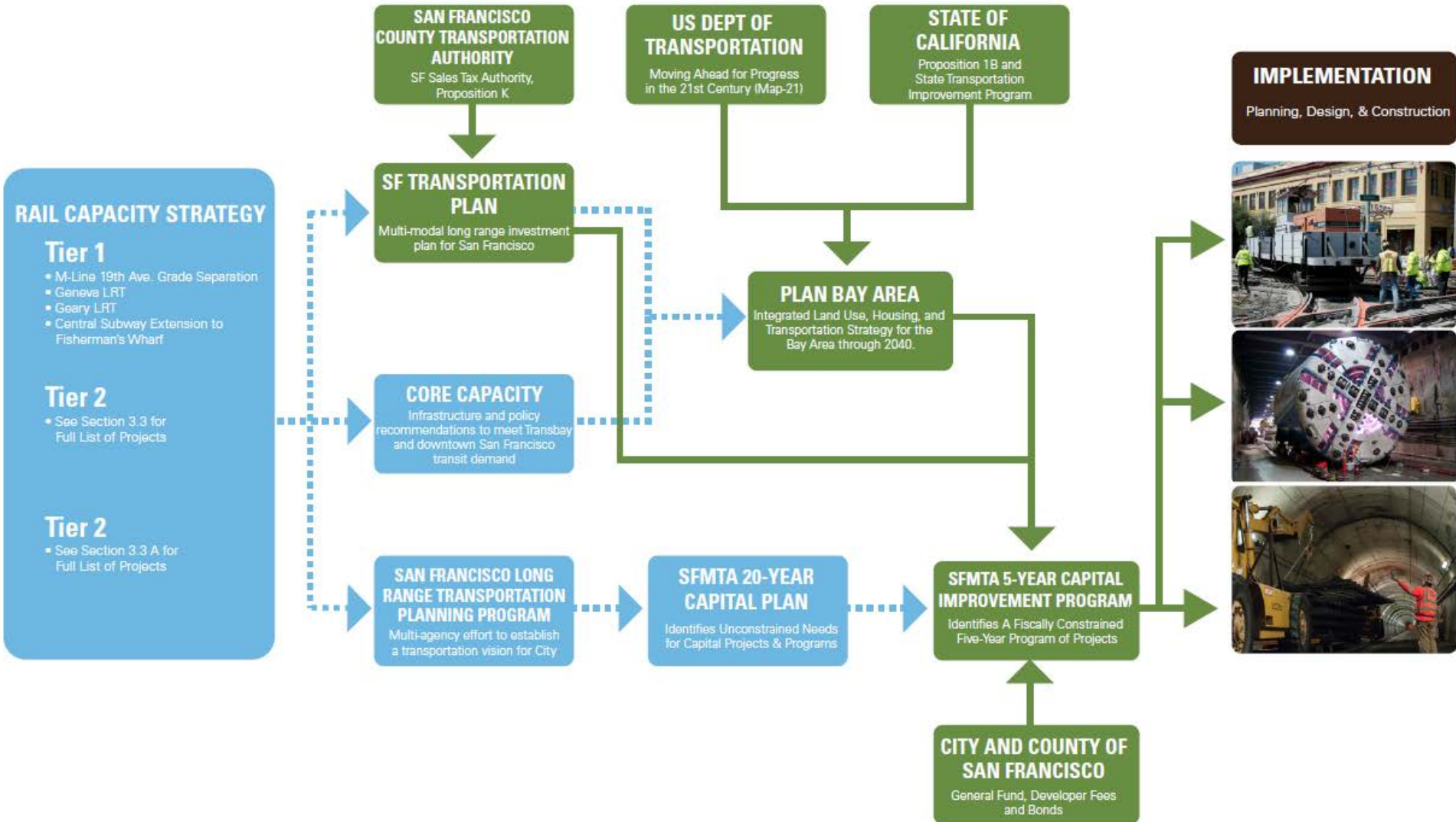
Tier 3



## Current and Planned Transit System

- Muni Rapid Bus Network
- Historic Streetcar
- Muni Metro Network
- - - Planned High Speed Rail
- - - Treasure Island Ferry
- Regional Rail (BART/Caltrain)
- \*\*\*\*\* Planned Regional Rail

# Long-Term Implementation Roadmap





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