



TJPA CAC Cultural Resources

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Mitigation Measures in FEIS/EIR

Cultural and historic resources are addressed in the Mitigation Measures adopted as part of **FEIS/EIR** of April 2004 by:

- Transbay Joint Powers Authority
- Federal Transit Administration
- Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board
- City and County of San Francisco
- San Francisco Redevelopment Agency



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Memorandum of Agreement

Memorandum of Agreement addressing historic and archaeological properties was executed in June 2004 by:

- Federal Transit Administration
- California State Historic Preservation Officer
- Transbay Joint Powers Authority
- City and County of San Francisco
- Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board
- California Department of Transportation



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FEIS/EIR and MOA Comply with National Historic Preservation Act Section 106

- Creation:** Section 106 was established by Congress in 1966 as part of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA)
- Explanation:** Requires federal agencies to take into account the effects of their activities on historic properties and gives the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation an opportunity to comment on applicable projects
- Purpose:** Balance historic preservation concerns with the needs of federal undertakings and prevent arbitrary destruction of historic resources with federal funds
- Review:** Administered at the Federal level by the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation and at the state level by the State Historic Preservation Office



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MOA requires consideration of architecturally, historically and socially significant elements within the terminal worthy of salvage and use by museums. TJPA/PMPC team discussing:

- Historic and distinctive features of the building
- Historic objects and artifacts
- Materials that could be salvaged & re-used in new form
- Objects/artifacts that may yet be found in demolition
- Characteristics that could be echoed in new design

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1939 photo courtesy of
Paul C. Trimble
Collection
published in
The Bay Bridge
Arcadia Publishing, 2005



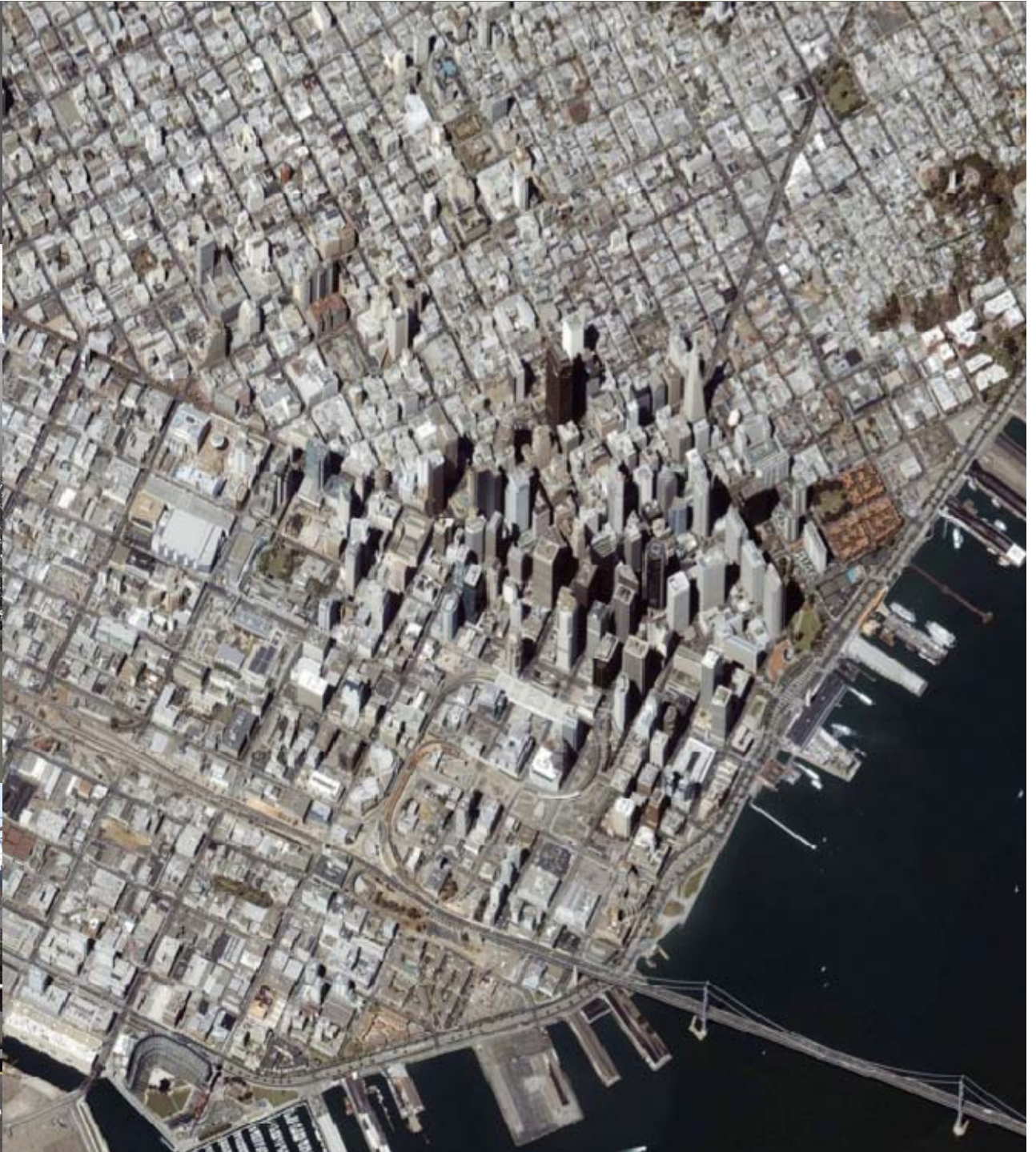




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1939 - 2007





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The Present





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Documenting Salvageable Items

- Archival research
- 1993 historical assessment report by Caltrans
- Site visits with TJPA staff, historians, architects
- Documentation with photographs
- Conversations with Terminal and Caltrans staff

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- *Transformation* report
 - Spread sheet of salvageable items
 - Data sheet per item



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Categorization of items

- Architectural features
- Artifacts/objects/ephemera

- Historic
- Non historic
- Art



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Historic Architectural Features





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Historic Objects and Artifacts





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MOA requires interpretive exhibit in new Transit Center and consult with Oakland Museum for similar exhibit.

- Transit Center exhibit could be distributed throughout or housed in programmable space
- Various themes could be explored; for example:
 - *Historic Aspects of Building*
 - *Traveling as a Way of Life*
 - *Transportation Systems*



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Historic Aspects of the Building



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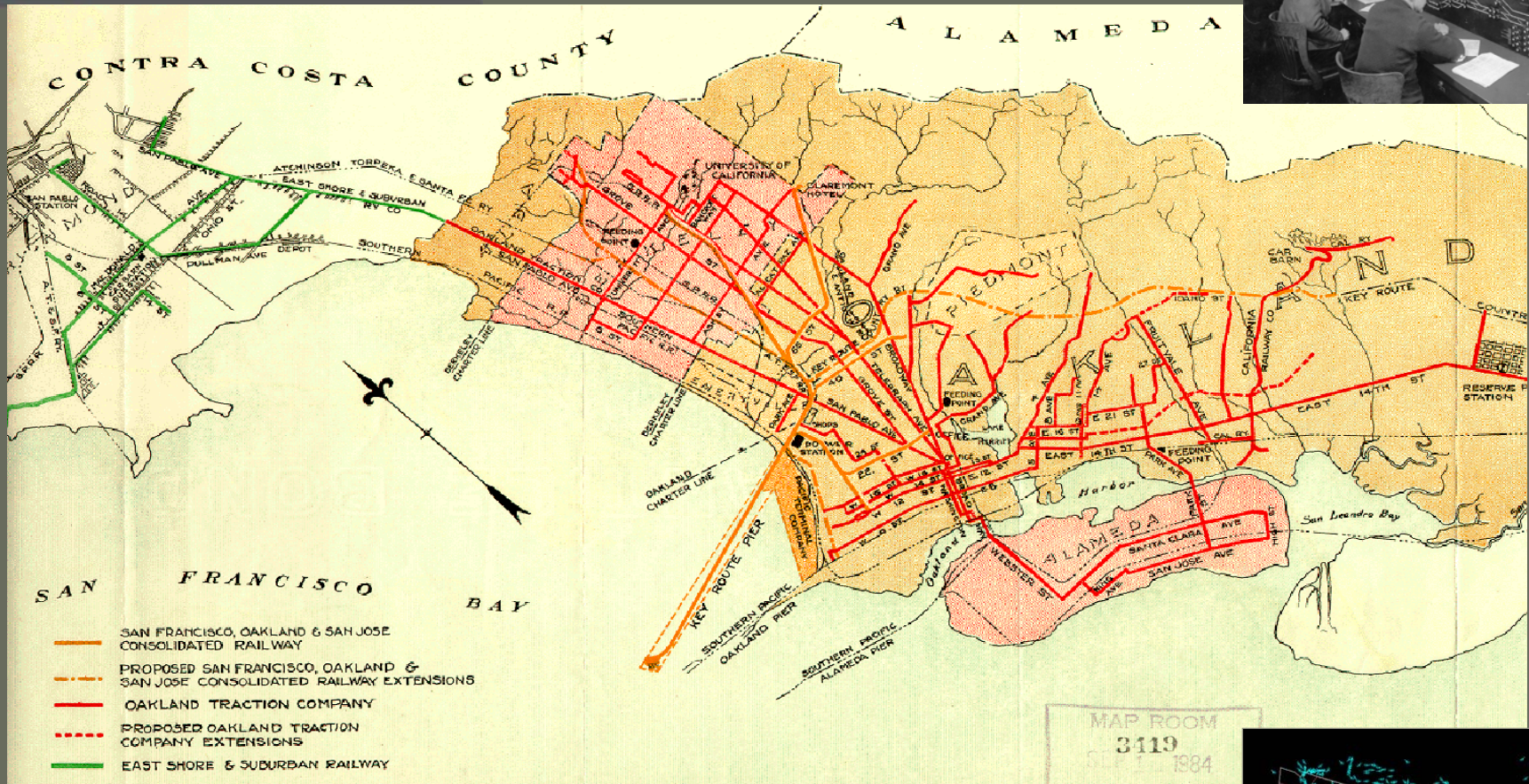
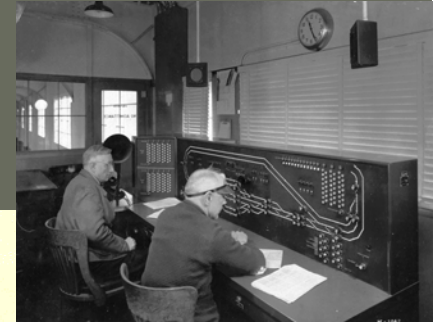
Traveling as a Way of Life

In the Baggage Room at Greyhound
Allen Ginsberg

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In the depths of the Greyhound Terminal
sitting dumbly on a baggage truck looking at the sky
waiting for the Los Angeles Express to depart
worrying about eternity over the Post Office roof in
the night-time red downtown heaven
staring through my eyeglasses I realized shuddering
these thoughts were not eternity, nor the poverty
of our lives, irritable baggage clerks,
nor the millions of weeping relatives surrounding the
buses waving goodbye,
nor other millions of the poor rushing around from
city to city to see their loved ones,



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Transportation Systems



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Disposition of Salvaged Items

- Finalize categorization of salvageable items.
- Estimate cost of removal/storage/re-installation.
- Review salvageable items with museums, discuss disposition; coordinate salvage and delivery.
 - San Francisco Architectural Heritage
 - California State Railroad Museum
 - Western Railway Museum
 - Oakland Museum
- Salvage to be included with contract for demolition:
 - Bid documents underway
 - Salvage/Demolition Fall 09



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Phase 1: Demolish Existing Terminal & Ramps

