



TRANSBAY JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

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Re: Notice of Adoption of Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Transbay Program;
Notice of Availability of Transbay Program EIS Reevaluation

Dear Interested Parties:

The Transbay Joint Powers Authority is issuing this letter to advise the public and interested agencies that the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) is adopting the portions of the March 2004 Transbay Terminal/Caltrain Downtown Extension/Redevelopment Project (Transbay Program) Final Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (2004 EIS) issued by the Federal Transit Administration that cover Phase 1 of the Transbay Program to satisfy FRA's obligations under the National Environmental Policy Act. The FRA is also announcing the availability of a reevaluation of the Phase 1 portions of the 2004 EIS to consider recent modifications to the train box design and to update environmental information contained in the 2004 EIS pursuant to FRA's Procedures for Considering Environmental Impacts (64 FR 28545, May 26, 1999).

Phase 1 of the Transbay Program consists of construction of a new Transbay Transit Center (Transit Center) located at First and Mission streets in San Francisco, California. The Transit Center will replace the existing 1939 Transbay Terminal with a modern multi-modal transit hub serving as the San Francisco terminus for high-speed train service; Caltrain commuter train service; regional public and private bus networks; and connections between high-speed train and San Francisco Municipal Railway light rail, Bay Area Rapid Transit, and bus service including Amtrak Thruway Bus Services. The proposed FRA action is the funding of construction of the Transit Center train box through FRA's High-Speed Intercity Passenger Rail Program.

The Final EIS and the Reevaluation are available for inspection at the following locations.

Federal Railroad Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

San Bruno Library
701 Angus Avenue West
San Bruno, CA 94066

San Francisco Main Library
Government Information Center
100 Larkin Street
San Francisco, CA 94102

MTC-ABAG Library
Joseph P. Bort MetroCenter
101 8th Street
Oakland, CA 94607

The Final EIS and the Reevaluation may also be obtained from the FRA website at www.fra.dot.gov and from the Transbay Joint Powers Authority website at www.transbaycenter.org.

Please submit comments on the Final EIS or Reevaluation no later than June 28, 2010, to Melissa Elefante DuMond, Environmental Protection Specialist; Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE; Washington, DC 20590. For further information contact Melissa Elefante DuMond at the above address, by email at melissa.dumond@dot.gov, or by phone at (202) 493-6366.