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## **Alameda CTC Transportation Forum Highlights Improvements in North Alameda County**

*Alameda County - California.* On October 20, 2011, the Alameda County Transportation Commission (Alameda CTC), in partnership with its Citizens Advisory Committee and sponsoring agencies, is holding a transportation forum at the Alameda CTC office in downtown Oakland. The forum will begin at 6:30 p.m. and is open to the public. It will highlight Measure B funded transportation improvements located in north Alameda County. Presentations will include:

- [Regional and Alameda Countywide Transportation Planning Activities Update](#) - Planning activities are underway to create a vibrant and livable Alameda County through a connected and integrated, multimodal transportation system that promotes sustainability, access, transit operations, public health and economic opportunities. This presentation will focus on the current status and next steps for long-range planning and funding actions that will guide transportation improvements and investments to mid-century.
- **Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Program** - Measure B funds have been used to promote a number of walking and bicycling programs for kids, adults, and seniors in Alameda County. Roughly \$31.8 million has been invested in new sidewalks, crosswalks, pedestrian crossing improvements, curb ramps, bicycle lanes, bike lockers and racks. Now, plans developed in 2006 are being updated to further increase walking and biking in Alameda County. During this presentation, plan priorities will be discussed, including improving pedestrian and bicycle access within central business

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districts, expanding access to transit, and increasing connections between communities through multi-use trails. Safety programs, such as Safe Routes to Schools, will also be addressed.

- **Free Shuttle Programs** - The [“Free B” Broadway Shuttle](#) in Oakland and the [free 8-to-Go Shuttle](#) for senior and ADA residents in Emeryville are being funded with the Measure B half-cent sales tax and the Transportation Fund for Clean Air. This presentation describes more about how free shuttle programs provide important services to communities.
- **I-80 Integrated Mobility Corridor (ICM) Project Update** - The ICM Project will integrate the transportation management systems of the I-80 corridor and the San Pablo Avenue corridor in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties. State-of-the-practice Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) tools to improve safety, mobility and trip reliability for all users will be employed. During this presentation, a project progress report will be given.
- **East Bay Bus Rapid Transit Update** - The presentation will highlight project objectives, including planned improvements to bus stations, shelters, lighting, signalization and other related enhancements, as well as the purchasing of buses. The planned improvements are intended to enhance bus reliability and to reduce travel time.
- **I-880 High Occupancy Vehicle Lane Update** - The project will widen the southbound I-880 mainline from Hegenberger to Marina Boulevard for a High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane, and will reconstruct the Davis Street and Marina overcrossings to accommodate the HOV lane and provide standard vertical clearance over the freeway. This presentation will cover the operational aspects of the project.
- **BART Oakland Airport Connector** - In this overview presentation, plans to connect the BART Coliseum Station to the Oakland International Airport using a 3.2 mile Automated Guideway Transit system will be discussed.

The forum will commence at 6:30 p.m. with an open house, during which time project sponsors will be on hand to respond to questions. At 7:00 p.m., presentations will begin on each of the topics listed above. The Alameda CTC Offices are located at 1333 Broadway, Suite 300, Oakland, and are accessible via BART and bus. More transit access information can be

found at [www.511.org](http://www.511.org). Interpreter services in Spanish and Chinese can be made available provided Alameda CTC has advance notice by October 17, 2011 (phone: 510-208-7400).

### **The Alameda County Transportation Commission**

The Alameda County Transportation Commission is a newly-formed countywide transportation agency, resulting from a merger of the Alameda County Congestion Management Agency (ACCMA) and the Alameda County Transportation Improvement Authority (ACTIA). Its mission is to plan, fund and deliver a broad spectrum of transportation projects and programs to enhance mobility throughout Alameda County. This merger eliminates redundancies and creates efficiencies in planning, programs and projects delivery and also streamlines legislative, policy and funding efforts. For more information on the Alameda CTC, ACCMA and ACTIA, visit [www.alamedactc.org](http://www.alamedactc.org).

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