Presentation Overview

- Corridor overview
- Project history
- Project opportunities
- Project Approval/Environmental Document (PA/ED) work approach
- Project challenges
- Lessons learned from Segment 7A
East Bay Greenway Corridor Overview

Project History

Past Studies
- East Bay Greenway Concept Plan (Urban Ecology, 2008)
- UPPR Oakland Subdivision Corridor Improvement Plan (ACPWA, 2010)
- CEQA Document for 12-mile project (Alameda CTC, 2012)

Pilot Segment (7A)
- Federal TIGER II grant awarded to East Bay Regional Park District for five regional trail segments (2012)
- NEPA clearance for half-mile segment (2012)
- Advertised for construction (2013)
- Construction complete (2015)

Lake Merritt to South Hayward
- State Active Transportation Program grant awarded for PA/ED phase (2014)
- Measure BB passes including $264 for three major trails (2014)
Opportunities

- High quality active transportation corridor
  - Direct route
  - Connects to destinations
  - Maximize separation from vehicle traffic
- Support BART station modernization, TODs, and PDAs
- Competitiveness for grant funds

PA/ED Phase Outcomes

- Determine preferred project alignment and cross-section
- Achieve CEQA and NEPA clearance
- Complete Preliminary Design
- Determine operations and maintenance roles and responsibilities
PA/ED Phase Approach

- “Fresh look” at project alignment
  - Assess feasibility of rail-to-trail concept
  - Leverage past environmental studies, concept plans
- Early and proactive engagement with UPRR
- Stakeholder coordination at all levels
  - Project charter
- Integrate operations & maintenance discussion with project development
Challenges

- Union Pacific Railroad ROW option
- Multi-agency coordination
  - Design consensus
  - Operations & maintenance responsibilities
- Environmental impacts
- Ensuring safety/security
- Phasing/implementation

Lessons Learned from Pilot Segment 7A

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Questions and Answers