



East Bay Greenway

Adoption of Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND)

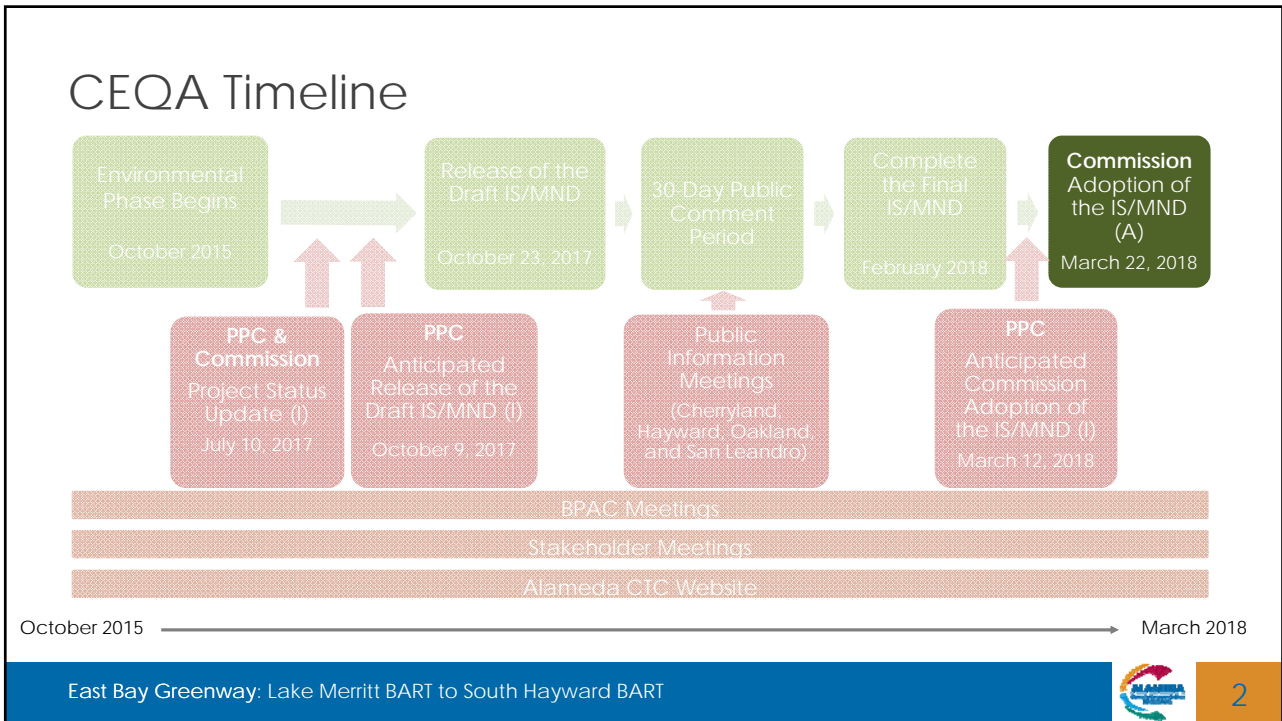
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Potential Project Benefits



Improved Connectivity



Improved Access to Destinations



Reduced Congestion



Improved Safety

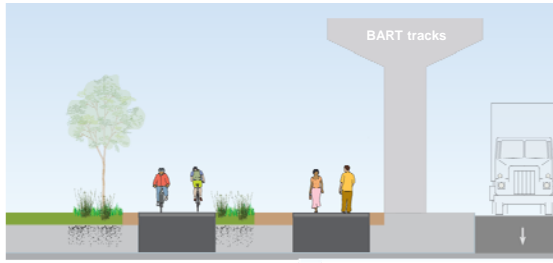


Better Air Quality

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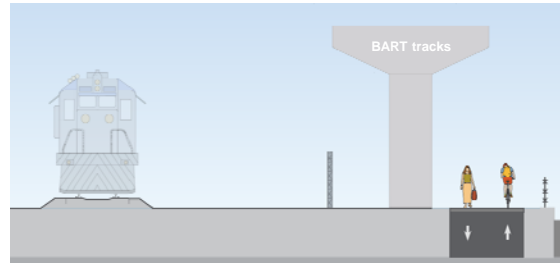


Rail-to-Trail (using full railroad right-of-way)



Railroad right-of-way
Environmental Clearance Footprint

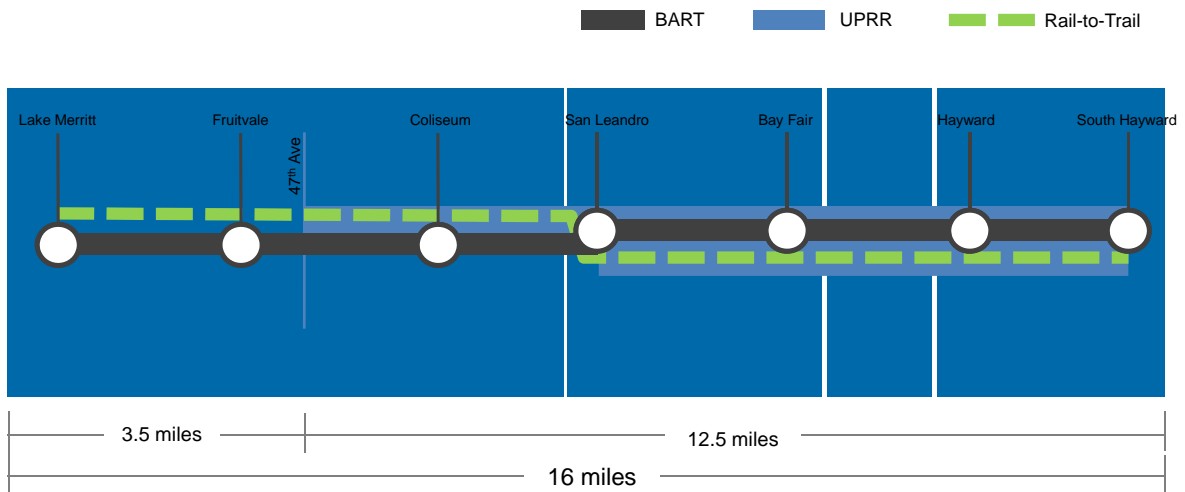
Rail-with-Trail (limited railroad right-of-way available)



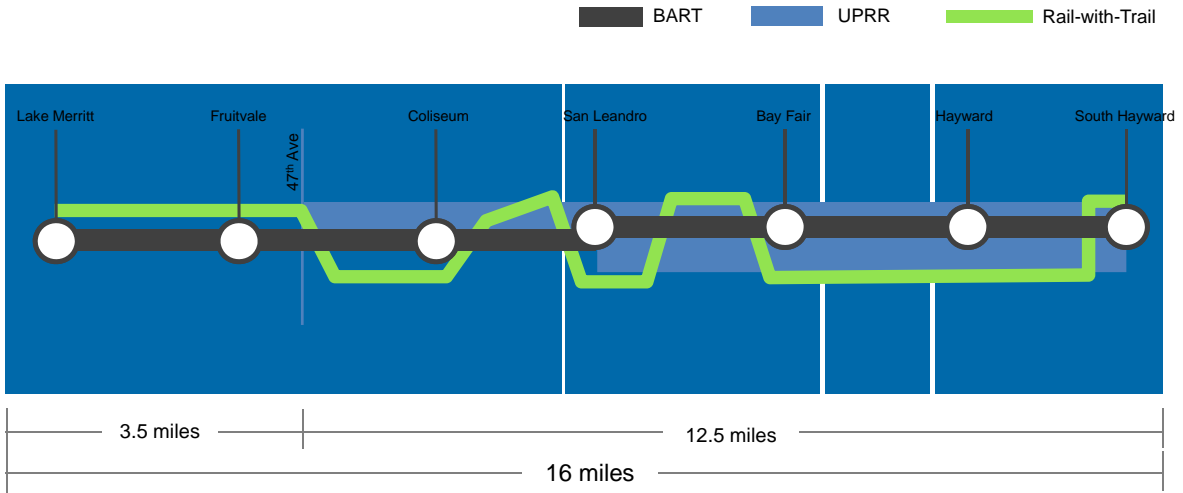
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Rail-to-Trail concept



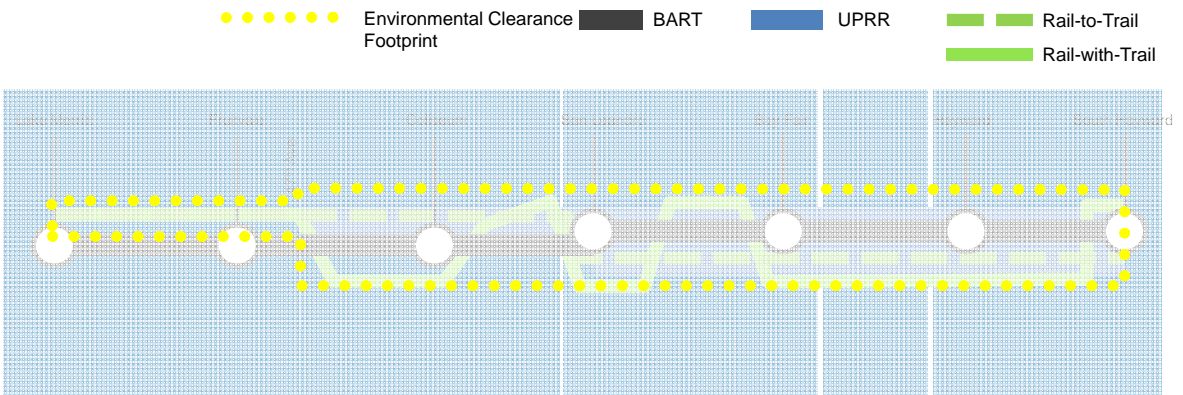
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Both concepts



Final alignment of Greenway could be anywhere within this environmental clearance footprint.

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CEQA Criteria	Requirement	East Bay Greenway	Performance
Draft IS/MND	Project Description Environmental Setting Environmental Findings/Impacts Mitigation Measures Consistency with Plans/Policies Name of Preparers	Project Description Environmental Setting Environmental Findings/Impacts Mitigation Measures Consistency with Plans/Policies Name of Preparers	
Publication of Notice	One of the following: • Newspaper • Posting • Mailing	All of the following: • Newspaper • Posting • Websites • Email Blasts • Social Media	
Public Review	30-day Public Review Period No Public Meeting Required	30-day Public Review Period Four Public Information Meetings	
Final IS/MND	Public Review Process Summary of Comments Mitigation & Monitoring Report Program Adoption of the IS/MND	Public Review Process Summary of Comments Mitigation & Monitoring Report Program	

 Exceed Requirement

 Meet Requirement

 Below Requirement

Notice



❖ Local Newspapers

- ❖ East Bay Times
- ❖ El Mundo
- ❖ San Leandro Times
- ❖ Sing Tao
- ❖ The Post

❖ Posting Locations

- ❖ Cesar E. Chavez Branch Library
- ❖ Deaf community Center
- ❖ Hayward's Main Branch library
- ❖ Lao Family Community Develop Inc.
- ❖ Lighthouse Community Center
- ❖ Oakland's Main Branch library
- ❖ REACH Ashland Youth Center
- ❖ San Leandro Central Public Library
- ❖ San Leandro Senior Community Center
- ❖ San Lorenzo Library
- ❖ Unity Council

❖ Websites

- ❖ Alameda CTC
- ❖ Alameda County
- ❖ Hayward
- ❖ San Leandro

❖ Email Blast

- ❖ Interest Groups
 - ❖ 15 Advocacy/Non-Profit Groups
 - ❖ 12 Business Associations
 - ❖ 3 Churches
 - ❖ 13 Neighborhood Associations
 - ❖ 19 Schools
- ❖ Stakeholder Agencies
 - ❖ AC Transit
 - ❖ Alameda County
 - ❖ BART
 - ❖ Caltrans
 - ❖ East Bay Regional Parks
 - ❖ Hayward
 - ❖ Oakland
 - ❖ San Leandro
 - ❖ Union Pacific Railroads
- ❖ 57 Elected Officials
- ❖ 123 Individuals

❖ Social Media

- ❖ Facebook
- ❖ Twitter

Public Information Meetings



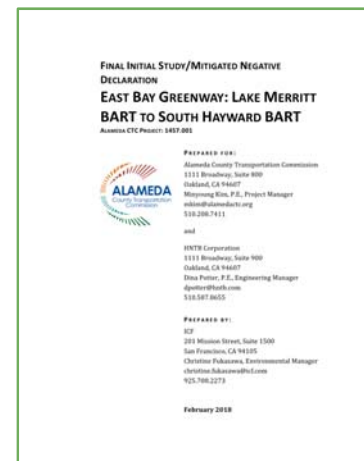
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The comments covered the following topics:



- ❖ General support of the project
- ❖ Costs and funding for the project
- ❖ Additional project benefits of the Rail-to-Trail
- ❖ Requests for minor text changes and clarifications
- ❖ Safety and law enforcement
- ❖ Access to the trail from private properties



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Environmental Findings

Eleven Environmental Factors with *No Impacts/Less than Significant Impacts*:

- Public Services
- Hydrology and Water Quality
- Mineral Resources
- Transportation/Traffic
- Geology and Soils
- Land Use and Planning
- Population and Housing
- Tribal Cultural Resources
- Recreation
- Utilities
- Agricultural

Seven Environmental Factors with *Less than Significant Impacts with Mitigations Incorporated*:

- Aesthetics
- Mandatory Findings of Significance
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- Noise
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Air Quality



Here's a closer look at how these seven factors will be addressed.



Biological Resources

- Sensitive species will be avoided
- No construction in creeks



Air Quality

- Construction dust control enforced



Aesthetics

- New structures will be aesthetically pleasing
- Landscape will be improved
- Low-level lighting used



Hazards and Hazardous Materials

- Investigations completed prior to construction
- Proper contaminated soil handling



Noise

- Construction noise limited to daytime hours
- Local noise regulations followed



Cultural Resources

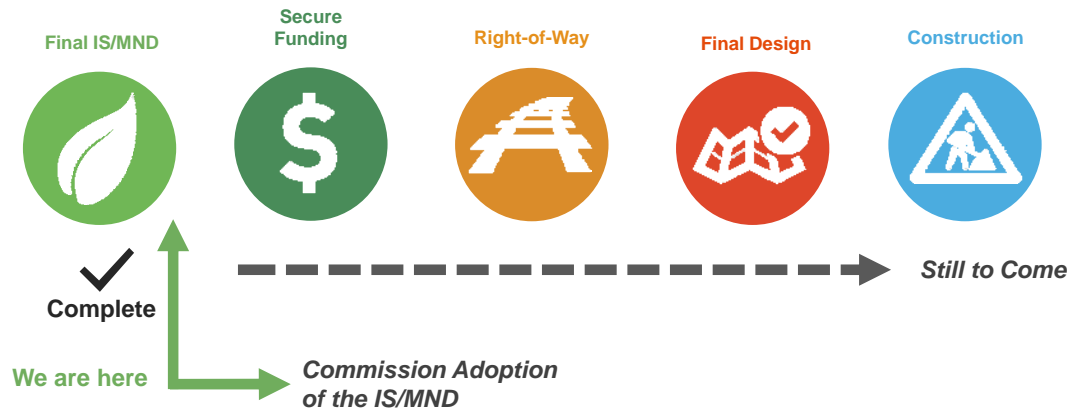
- Archaeologist on-board during construction
- Construction stopped if buried artifacts found



Mandatory Findings of Significance

- Propose a regional trail facility that would improve non-motorized transportation and enhance recreational opportunities.
- Ensure protected biological species and habitat and cultural resources will not be threatened or eliminated.

Next Steps



Staff Recommends:

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