# SF Railyards Update

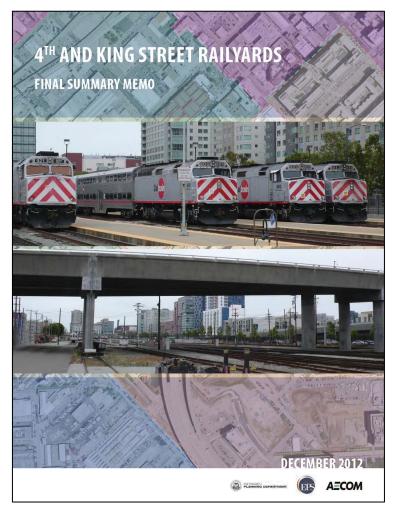




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#### RAIL ALIGNMENT AND BENEFITS STUDY

Executive Summary Report September 2018



### **Planning**

#### 2018

Rail Alignment & Benefits Study (RAB)

### Showplace/SoMa



#### 2019, paused in March 2020

Showplace/Soma Neighborhood Analysis & Coordination Study (SNACS)

#### 2012

Railyards TOD Study

### WHY THIS PROJECT MATTERS Redesigning the SF Railyards is an opportunity to:

- Increase Caltrain service and connections to High-Speed Rail, Central Subway, and MTA
- Support future Caltrain service operations and other public benefits
- Create transit-oriented development to increase access to regional jobs, housing and destinations
- Reduce climate impacts by replacing car trips with more regional transit options
- Connect neighborhoods to the waterfront, schools, and open spaces
- Increase the resilience of the station and neighborhood

# **Racial and social equity**

• Staff conducted an equity review of the Rail Alignment & Benefits (RAB) Implementation work program, following the passage of Resolution 20738: *Centering Planning on Racial and Social Equity* 

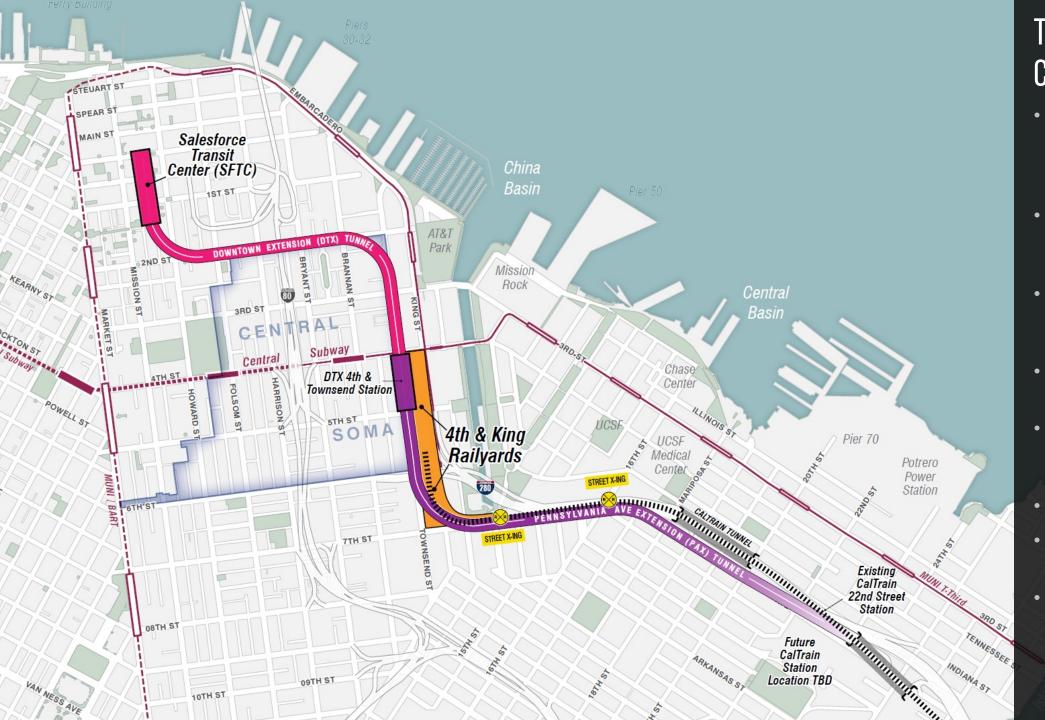
### • Finding room for improvement, we:

- 1. Drafted equity evaluation memo to be issued for the RAB
- 2. Added an analysis of Bayview station alternatives to the 22<sup>nd</sup> Street station study
- 3. Advocated successfully with Caltrain to pilot means-based fares for low-income riders and for permanent discount fare
- 4. Will establish Railyards Working group and additional focused outreach to reach diverse communities

### LAND USE Context

- 19-acre site with active rail operations
- Railyards is a physical barrier
- Central SoMa plan: 8,800 units & 32,000 jobs
- Complex subsurface conditions: brownfield, landfill, utilities
- Future 5th Street bike/ped connection across Mission Creek
- Proximity to major event destinations
- Sea Level Rise inundation zone; action planning underway





### TRANSPORTATION CONTEXT

- Downtown Extension (pink) adjacent on Townsend St, connects to Salesforce Transit Center
- Caltrain's 2040 Service Vision: 8 trains per peak hour in each direction
- High-Speed Rail: 4 trains per peak hour in each direction
- Central Subway adjacent on 4<sup>th</sup> Street
- Pennsylvania Avenue extension (purple), via 7th St and Pennsylvania Ave
- Multiple freeway ramps
- Caltrain corridor
  electrification under way
- In 2019, 4th &
  King accounted for 20%
  of Caltrain's weekday
  ridership

# LAND USE DECISION MAKERS



Land Use

**Approvals** 

**Caltrain** 

Permanent Operating Easement Property Owner

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# PROJECT PARTNERS



Railyards site owner, development lead



Train corridor operator and owner



Builder and operator of the Downtown Extension, 4th & Townsend station, and Salesforce Transit Center



High speed rail builder and operator (CA High Speed Rail Authority)



Policy lead (Mayor's Office of Transportation)



City's lead for planning, design and outreach (SF Planning)



City's lead development partner (OEWD)



Pennsylvania Ave Extension technical lead (SFCTA)

### SF Railyards Project

Envisioning the SF Railyards as a regional transit center with a new rail station, added Caltrain service, and mixed use neighborhood

#### Caltrain/Prologis Business Case

Includes track layout and development concept recommended for further detailed development (anticipated in Summer 2023)

### Development Concept

Includes zoning proposal and community benefits priorities (drafts anticipated in 2023)



# SF Railyards Projects & coordinating across agencies

PROJECT	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025+
Caltrain 2040 Service Vision						
Caltrain Preliminary Business Case						
SF Railyards Development Concept			ANALYS	IS, DESIGN & OUTREACH	ENVIRONMENTAL	
Pennsylvania Alignment Extension (PAX)						
Downtown Rail Extension (DTX)						
California High Speed Rail (HSR)						

### HOW TO GET INVOLVED

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Nominate community representatives or apply to join the Railyards Working Group, tinyurl.com/sfrailyards



Attend public meetings Initial working group meeting July 27th



Learn more and sign up for updates at sfplanning.org/railyards

# THANK YOU

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