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Subject: Comments on the Draft Plan Bay Area 2050

To Mr. Vautin:

Thank you for providing Contra Costa Transportation Authority (Authority) the opportunity to comment on the Draft Plan Bay Area 2050 (Plan). We recognize and appreciate the time, commitment, and effort that Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) staff has spent in developing the Plan, especially during these challenging times. We have reviewed the document in addition to receiving presentations at various meetings and workshops and are providing the following comments pertaining to the Plan.

The Authority agrees with the overarching goal of the Plan and is supportive of advancing the following Strategies identified in the Plan:

- Transportation
  - o T1. Restore, Operate, and Maintain the Existing System
  - o T3. Enable a Seamless Mobility Experience
  - o T6. Improve Interchanges and Address Highway Bottlenecks
  - o T9. Advance Regional Vision Zero Policy through Street Design/Reduced Speeds
- Environmental
  - o EN4. Maintain Urban Growth Boundaries
  - o EN8. Expand Clean Vehicle Initiatives
  - o EN9. Expand Transportation Demand Management Initiatives

Looking forward towards implementation, the Authority would like MTC to consider allocating significant transportation funding to counties like Contra Costa that historically have supported the region's housing needs. We need your support to help ensure that appropriate funding is provided to ensure that Contra Costa can develop a robust transit plan and is included as a major transit investment in the Plan so that MTC is not creating a disproportionate number of super-commuters with limited options from Contra Costa to the region's job centers.

Thank you again for the opportunity to contribute towards the success of the Plan.

Sincerely,

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