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Text of comment: Vision 2050 can be improved by adding 3 elements: 1) Technology will drastically change how we can get around in a vehicle through automation. A complete Express lane network will be a key for automated vehicles to use.

2) Train control will be totally automatic by 2050, that means Bart will have the opportunity to eliminate the operator position. That will save considerable amount of operating costs.

3) Greater Bay Area needs a complete regional rail system. That means connecting the capitol corridor system with the Caltrain system, with a new crossing under the bay, connecting Caltrain with ACE via the existing Dumbarton rail bridge, extending E Bart south to connect with ACE in Tracy, and extending Bart across the bay parallel to the San Mateo bridge from Millbrae and connecting the line with the Dublin/Pleasanton line. The latter will allow Bart to run in a Loop rather than a stub end where all trains must dead head back to the east bay, provide much faster and shorter access to SFO and take advantage of the spare capacity Bart trains have going into SF from Millbrae in the morning and out of SF in the evening. That line could be built for about 1/5th the cost of a new subway under the bay in the bridge corridor.

The comment was posted at the following url:

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