July 15, 2021

Ms. Therese W. McMillan
Executive Director
Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Bay Area Metro Center
375 Beale Street, Suite 800
San Francisco, CA 94105

D I S T R I C T
Re: Support for Plan Bay Area 2050 and Implementation Plan

Dear Ms. McMillan:

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (Air District) is pleased to support Plan Bay Area 2050 (PBA 2050) and the Implementation Plan. Its broad scope and robust set of policies are essential to help our region in meeting our greenhouse gas reduction targets and air quality goals.

PBA 2050 is critically important to the Air District’s mission, as transportation is the largest source of air pollution and greenhouse gases in the region. The collaborative process taken to develop the plan with Bay Area residents, local governments, civic organizations, non-profits and other stakeholders has led to a plan that will help tackle the shared challenges in the region with a focus on equity.

The Air District is in support of the ambitious nature of PBA 2050, as it goes beyond the typical scope of a regional transportation plan by addressing critical issues including housing, building decarbonization, internet access, and equity, among others. The Air District is looking forward to identifying mutual commitments and actions with MTC and ABAG through the partnership phase, specifically on strategies focused on transportation and equity, building decarbonization, clean vehicles, and reducing vehicle miles traveled.

The Air District has enjoyed a collaborative and productive working relationship with MTC and ABAG staff through the development of PBA 2050. The Air District looks forward to continued collaboration as the PBA 2050 moves forward into implementation.

Sincerely,

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Executive Officer/APCO

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