

# DRAFT Station Access Signage & Wayfinding Guidelines AC Transit Board Meeting – January 25, 2023

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## Why update BART station access signage?

### Project benefits, goals & outcomes

- Develop a *cohesive suite* of station access signage
- Improve passenger experience for all user types
- Supports changes to station management (parking enforcement, new modes, bus transfer priority)
- Many projects affecting signage: TOD, Station Modernization and others
- Low cost, high impact improvement

### Supports regional standards

- Builds on and updates existing Regional HUB Signage program
- Will feed into MTC Regional Mapping & Wayfinding project



# Existing condition is confusing, there is no standard, does not encourage transit use



### Design criteria

- Intuitive designs that will help users quickly make decisions
- Reflect and work cohesively with regional signage/wayfinding standards
- Address needs of all types of users:
  - New vs. regular users
  - People with varying abilities ie. low vision, color blindness, non-English speakers
  - Those accessing the station via all modes
- Standard text, icon, (potentially) color for each facility group
- Signage types refer to each other as one cohesive suite
  - Identification signage
  - Wayfinding signage
  - Regulatory/instructional signage



### Identification signage – Curb zones

- Use standard colors, text, and icons to ensure legibility for all users.
- New icons for paratransit, 15 min waiting, Ride App Loading





### Why provide bus bay identification signage?

Passenger Experience



- Permanent Wayfinding
- Temporary detours
- Station maps
- Trip planning & navigation
- Online static information

Station management & Operations

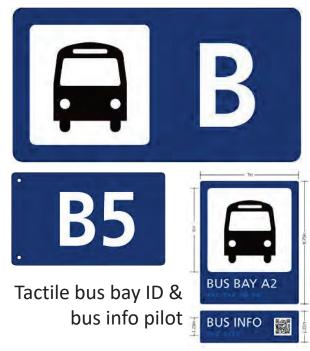


- Bus bay allocation & temporary detours
- Bus operator training
- Capital improvements & maintenance needs
- Safety & security



## Identification signage - Buses

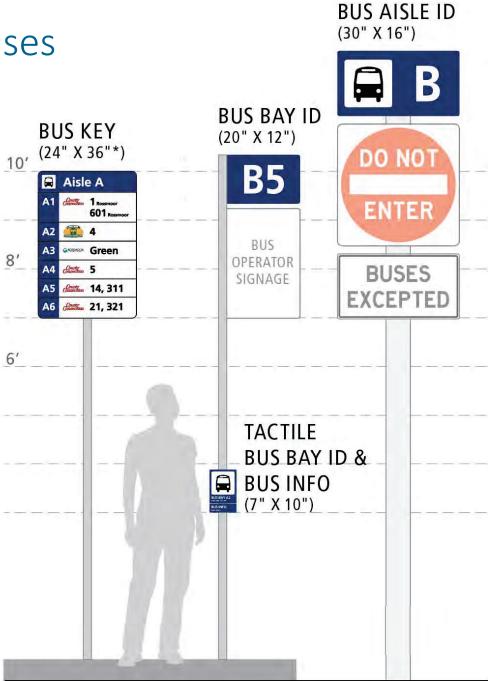
Reflects bus bay numbering methodology developed



#### b/w option

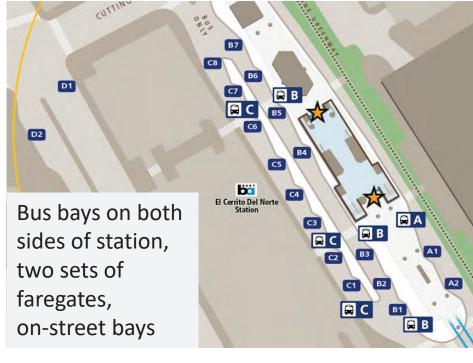
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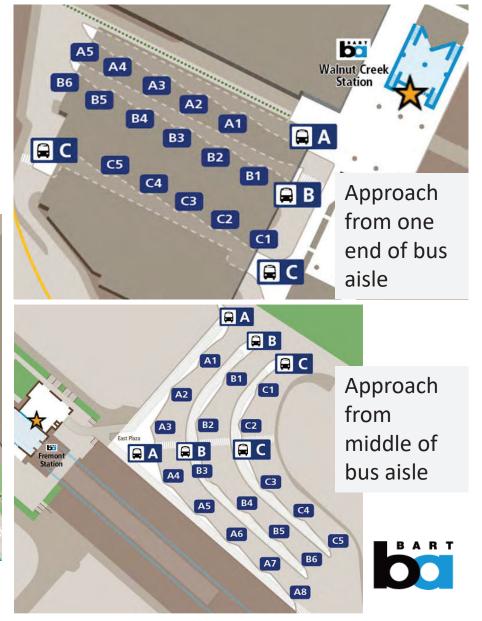




### Bus Bay Numbering Methodology

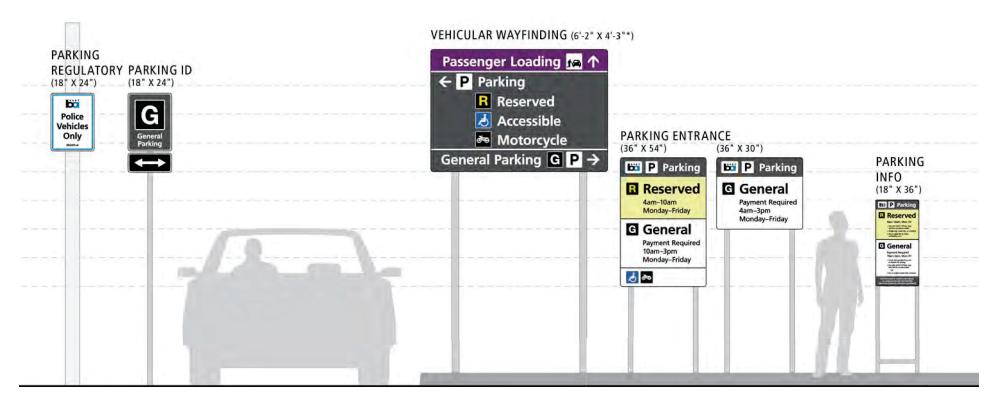
- Bus aisle/area letter, and alphanumeric bay numbers to support navigation
- From the passenger's perspective, with wayfinding in mind.





# Parking Signage

- Use standard colors, text, and icons to ensure legibility for all users.
- New icons and nomenclature for parking sub-types

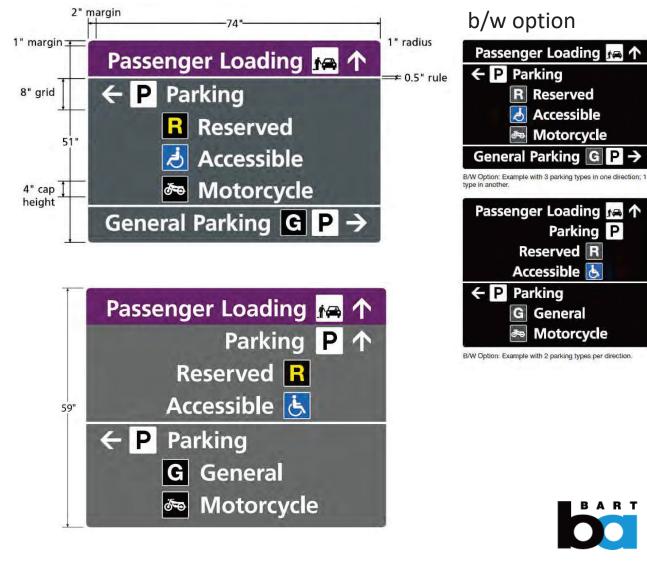




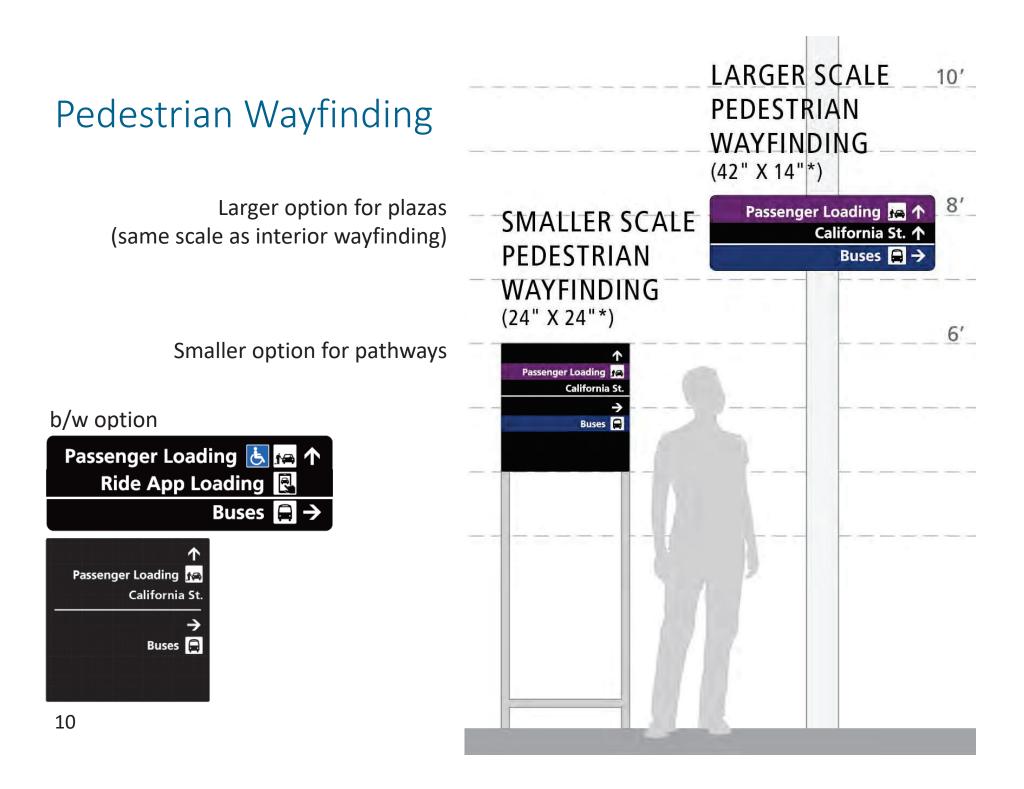
### Vehicular Wayfinding

#### Message hierarchy

General	Facility Sub-types
Bike Parking	<ul><li>Bike Station</li><li>Bike Lockers</li><li>Bike Racks</li></ul>
Passenger Loading	<ul> <li>Passenger Loading</li> <li>Accessible Loading</li> <li>15 Min Waiting</li> <li>Ride App Loading</li> <li>Taxi</li> </ul>
Parking	<ul> <li>General</li> <li>Reserved</li> <li>Accessible</li> <li>Motorcycle</li> <li>EV Charging</li> </ul>



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### Process and Regional Coordination

- Post document online and at MacArthur for feedback from stakeholders and public
- Review comments and update designs and guidelines
- Feed into MTC Regional Mapping and Wayfinding project
- Recent/upcoming installation of select signage: Millbrae (east side), Balboa Park, North Berkeley.

### **MTC Regional Mapping & Wayfinding project**

- Introductory meetings with transit operators
- Scope includes:
  - Updates of standards for all transit signage and mapping, including display cases
  - Transit branding
  - Pilots in Sonoma and Solano counties





# **Questions and comments**

### Thank you!

