



Realign



Draft Final Network Plan

AC Transit Board of Directors Meeting

August 7, 2024

Why We're Here Today

- Timeline Recap
- Summarize What We Heard in Phase 4
- Introduce Draft Final Plan, impacts, Realign next steps
- Call for Public Hearing
- Open Public Comment Period

Realign Project Phasing





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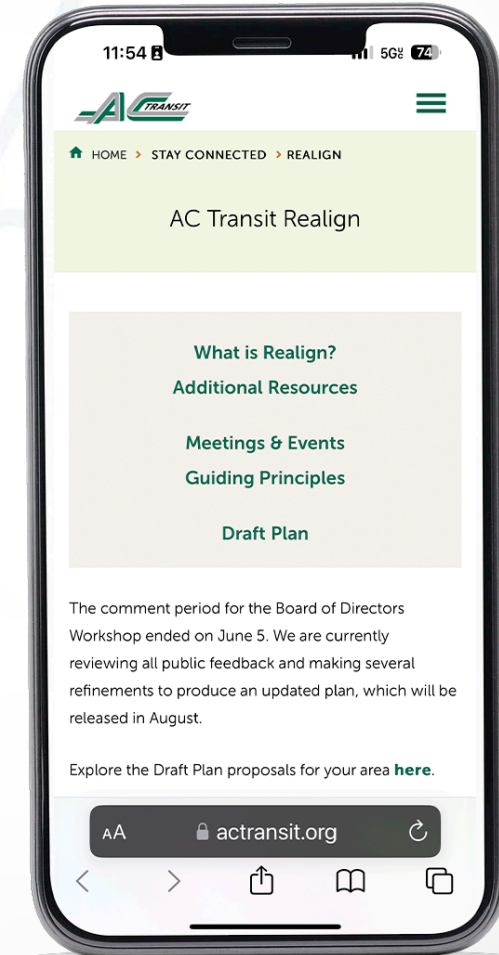
Public Engagement

Public Engagement: Phase 4

May 5 through June 5, 2024

Engagement metric highlights:

- **23,116** Website Views
- **529** Online survey tool responses
- **180** Community events
 - **5,784** Touchpoints
- **49** emails
- **6** Phone calls
- Social Media Performance
 - **45,836** Impressions
 - **1,774** Engagements



Public Engagement: Phase 4 Promotions

Next Step:
Realign Draft Plan
Review the draft online, in person, or at libraries

Save the Dates: May 15-June 5
Starting May 15, visit actransit.org/realign to learn more and let us know what you think.

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Car Card

Your comments: _____

How did you hear about Realign schedules? Check all that apply

On bus At bus stop Other

Share your Zip Code: _____ What line(s) are you commenting on? _____

My comments are regarding:

Routes and/or Schedules

Please use the back of this card to give us your comments →

Please review the AC Transit Realign Book to learn about the draft bus proposal. Your opinion matters! Share your thoughts by completing this comment card. Learn more at actransit.org/realign

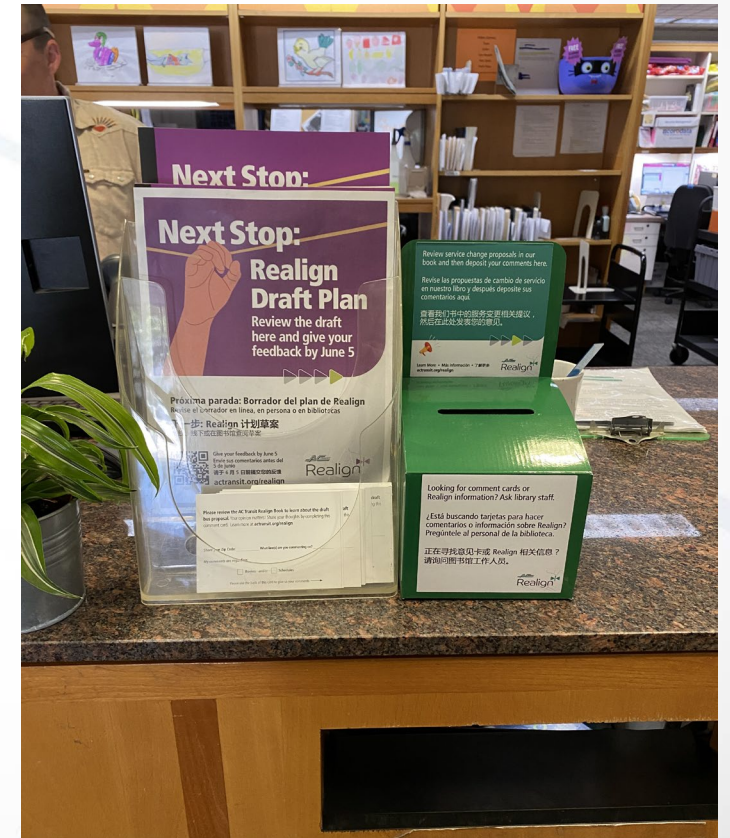
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Give your feedback by June 5
Envíe sus comentarios antes del 5 de junio
请于 6 月 5 日前提交您的反馈
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Take-ones



Route Profiles Book and Comment box

Public Engagement: Phase 4

May 5 – June 5, 2024



United Seniors of Oakland & Alameda County in East Oakland



San Leandro Cherry Festival

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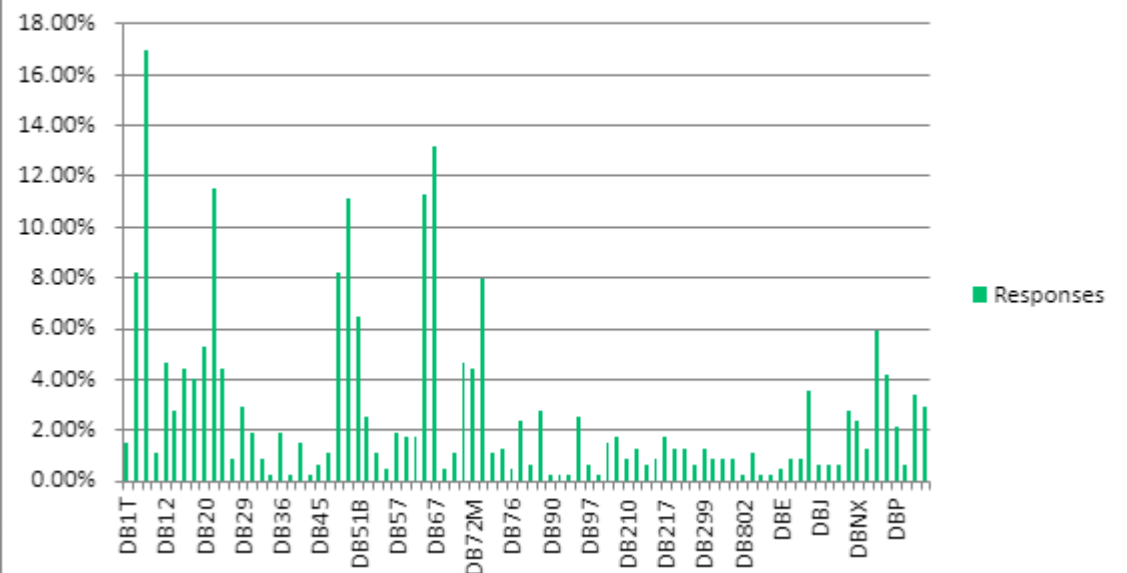


Public Engagement: What We Heard

My comments about service:



Which lines are you commenting on?



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Public Engagement: What We Heard

Positive Sentiments

- Support better transit connections
- Support more direct routes
- Support maintenance of coverage
- Appreciated increase in frequency on more lines

Negative Sentiments

- Concerned with Frequency reductions
- Concerned with consolidation of Lines 51A and 51B
- Concerned with level of service in central Alameda, Berkeley Hills and El Cerrito Hills

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Public Engagement: Select Written Comments (May 5 – June 5)

Line 10

“The best thing in the Plan is extending the 10 to Union City....”

Lines 6/51A/51B

“Combining the 6 with the 51A is a terrible idea. A 6/51A is way too long route. The 51A/B already has major OTP problems.”

Line V

“Would like additional (Line) V times in the morning. The 8am bus is extremely crowded, and we could use additional buses 7:30am-8:30am, similar to pre-pandemic. The recent addition of 6am bus doesn't accommodate typical commute or school drop-off schedules.”

Line 72R

“Please don't cut back the frequency of the 72R. Knowing I can count on catching it and getting quickly to my destination makes the 72 line a reliable transportation option for me.”

Line 7

“Minors use the current 7 Line. To commute to and from King Middle School and Berkeley High School. The 30 minute frequency should be maintained. It is not clear that is the case.”



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Draft Final Plan

Adjustments to Draft Plan

- Reflects significant public and operator feedback
- Maintain Lines 6, 51A, and 51B
- Move Line 7 terminal in Emeryville from Amtrak to Public Market
- Line 19 shortened to downtown Oakland
- Line 20 in Alameda Point extended west to Pan Am Way
- Line 21 split between Skyline High School and Chabot Space & Science Center
- Adjust Line 29 to downtown Berkeley, route instead via Sacramento & Stanford/Powell
- Adjust part of Line 73/805 routing near Coliseum BART



Staff Recommended Strategy adopted by AC Transit Board on March 13th

Broaden Frequent Network

Run lines 1T, 6, 10, 18, 20/21, 51, 52, 57, 97, and NL every 15 minutes

Improve Reliability (Customer Focused, Operator Supportive)

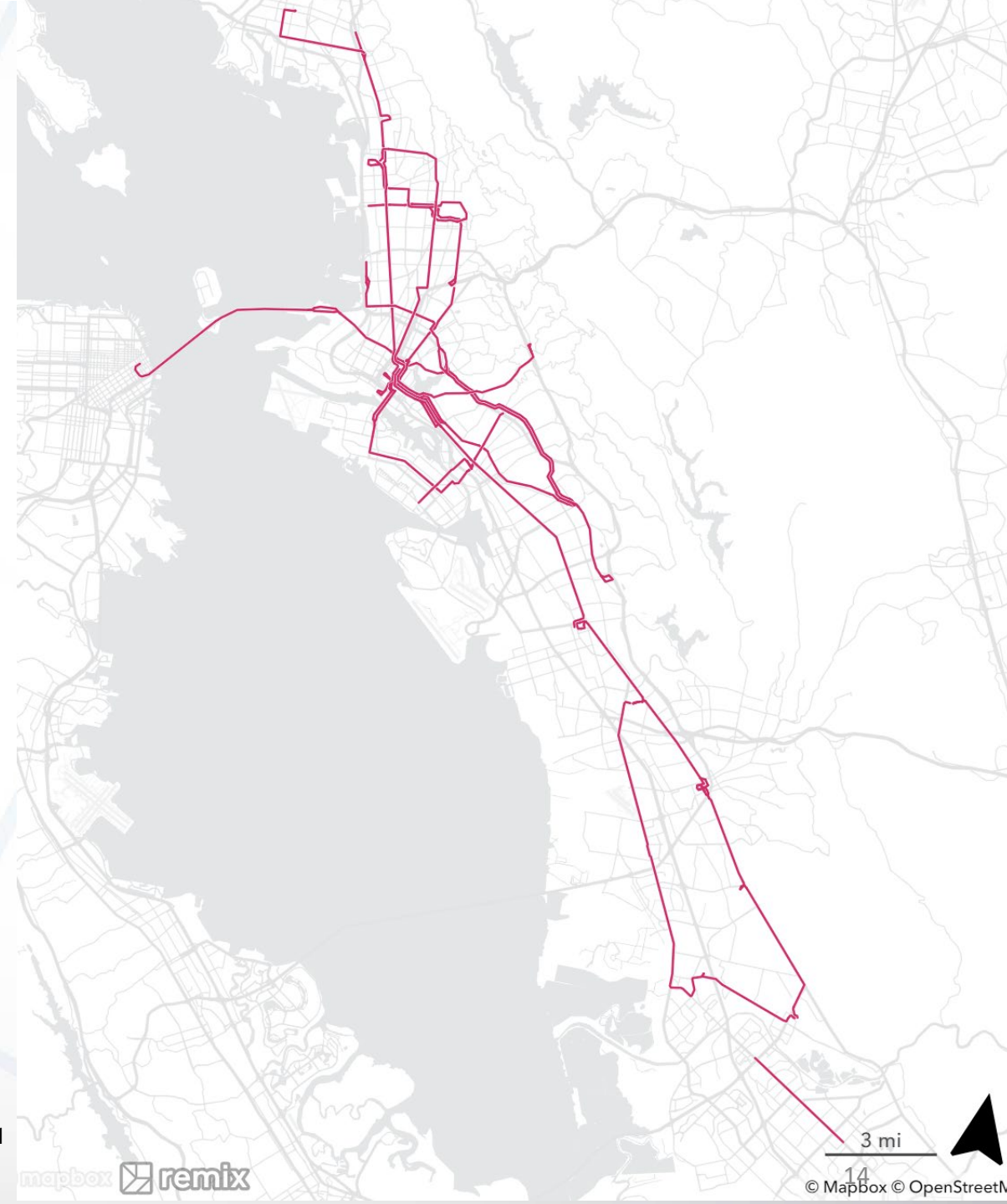
Focus improvements where on-time performance (OTP) < 70%

Tune Frequency for efficiency

Minor changes (e.g., 15 -> 17 min.) where savings possible

Frequent Service (15 min. or better)

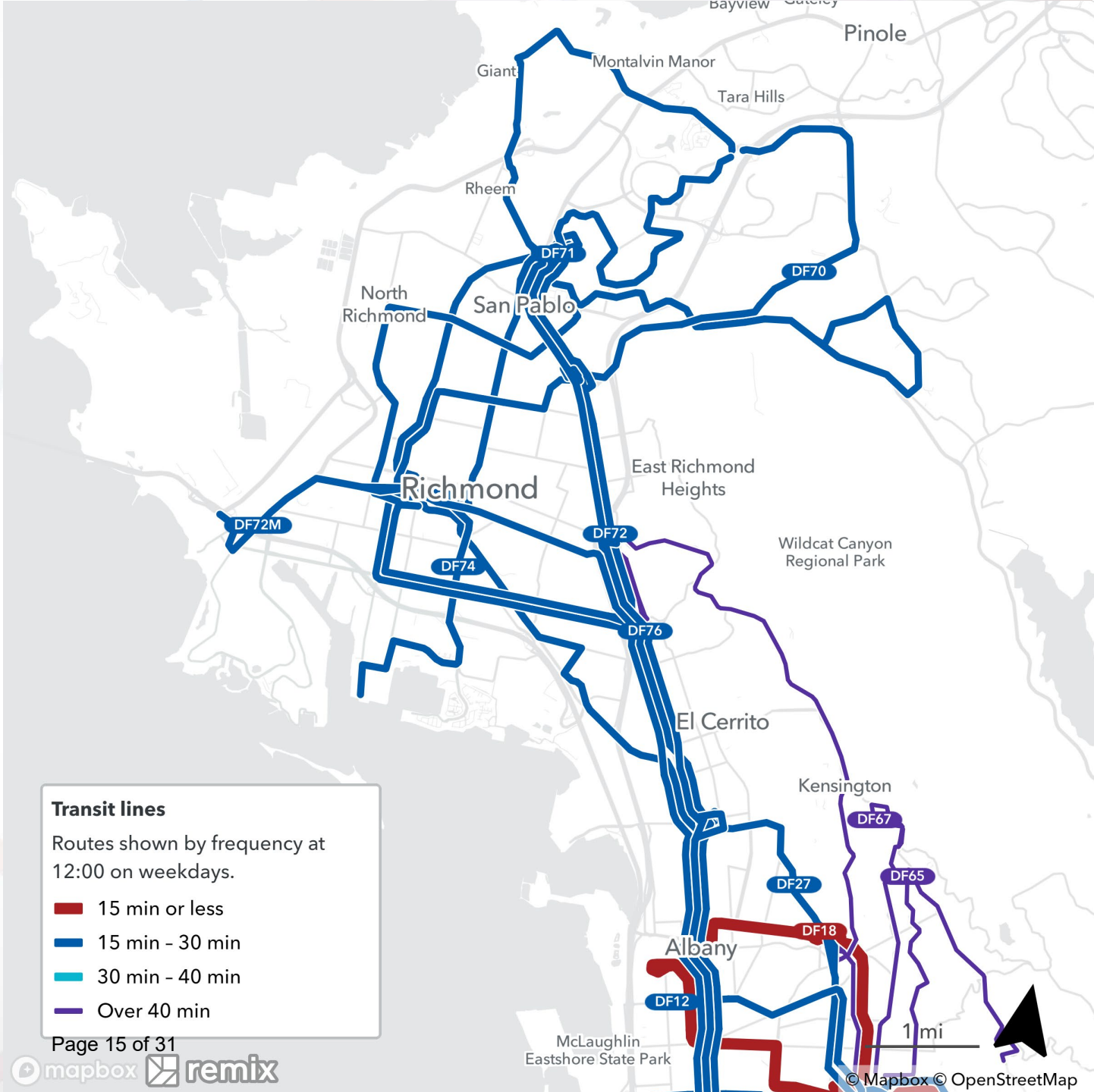
- Restores 15 min. service on lines 10, 18, 57, and NL
- Maintain lines 6, 51A, and 51B as they exist today.
- **San Pablo Corridor:** Local 72/72M every 15 minutes; Rapid every 30 minutes.
- **Alameda:** Lines 20/21 combined 15 min frequency between Otis and Macarthur.
- **Richmond:** Lines 70 and 76 on Cutting Blvd between El Cerrito del Norte BART and Richmond BART means 15-minute service.
- **Fremont:** Lines 210 and 299 on Fremont Blvd. between Decoto Rd. and Walnut Ave. every 15 minutes.





West Contra Costa County

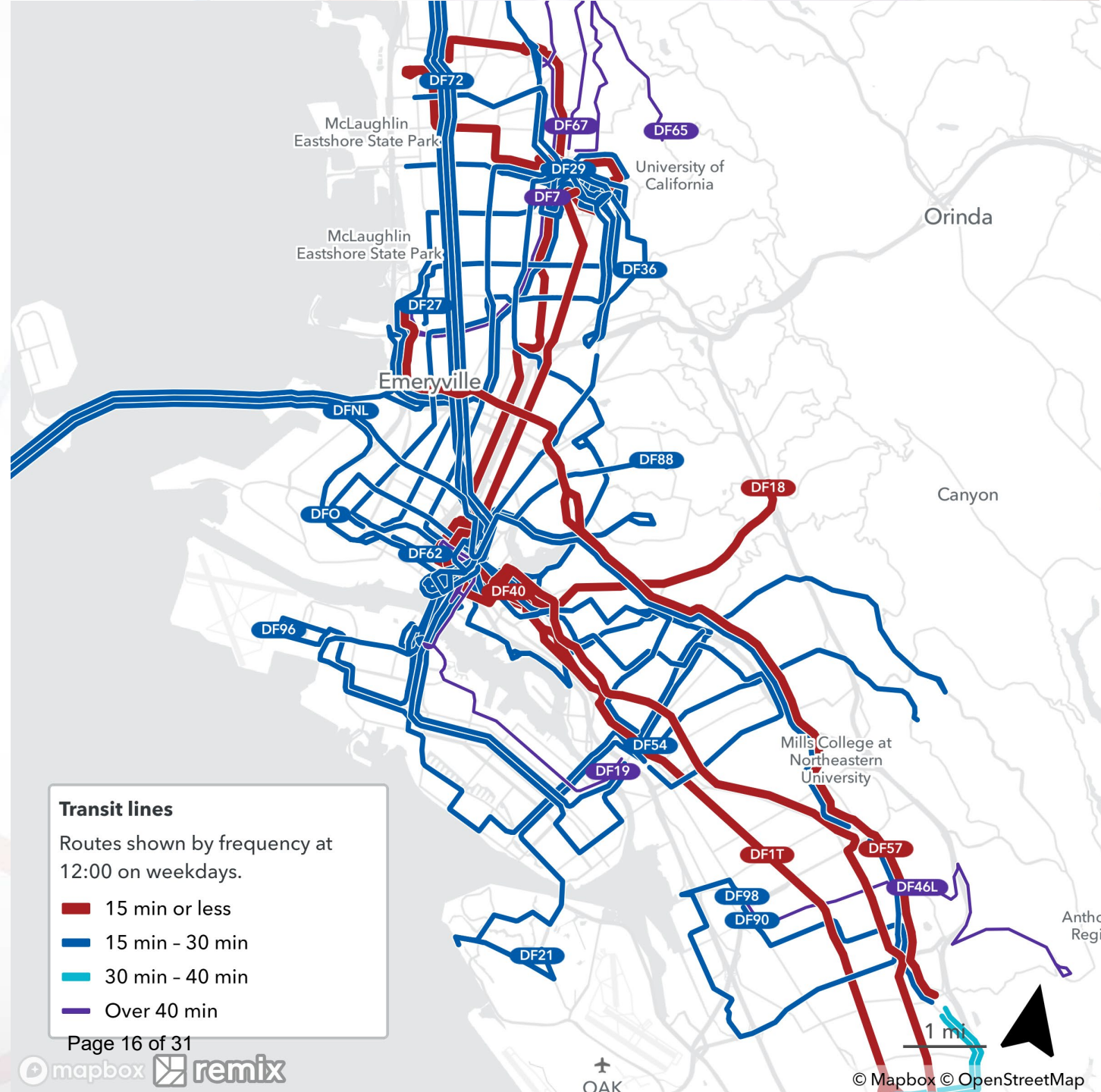
- Local 72/72M every 15 minutes; Rapid every 30 minutes.
- Adjusted Line 70 brings frequent service on high-demand Cutting Corridor
- More frequent weekday service on Line 71
- No change to coverage in El Sobrante Hills on Line 74
- Extended Line 76 now provides service to the adjusted Line 72 (Rollingwood neighborhood)





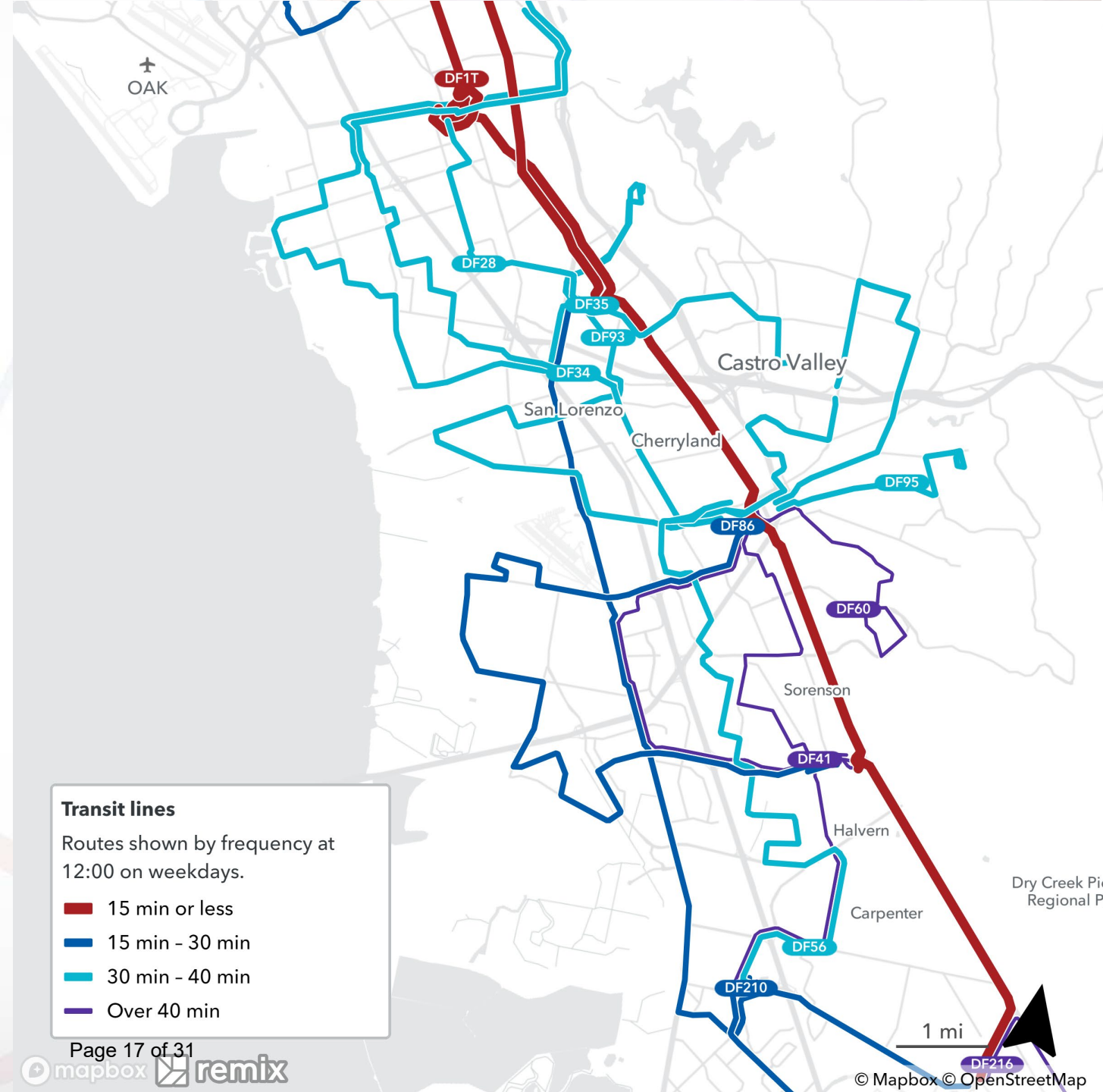
North Alameda County

- Adjusted Line 29 provides new service on Alcatraz and Stanford and extends to downtown Berkeley
- Adjusted Line 96 now provides service to Brooklyn Basin
- Service on Ashby is now provided by new Line 27
- Line 19 operates between downtown Oakland and Fruitvale BART.
- Line 21 no longer serves OAK Airport, replaces Line 39 service on Skyline and serves Chabot Space & Science Center
- Adjusted Line 20 provides new service on Alameda's West End, extends to Pan Am Way
- Slight frequency reduction on Lines 54 & 73



Central Alameda County

- Extends Line 10 to Union City and reduces the number of transfers in Hayward
- Improve weekday frequency to every 40 minutes on Lines 28, 34, 35, 41, and 56
- No service changes to operating neighborhood bus lines.



All-Nighter

- No changes to lines 1T, 800, 802, 840, 851
- Line 801 reduced to every 60 minutes to match ridership levels
- Line 805 to be rerouted north of Coliseum BART to match Line 73 proposal.

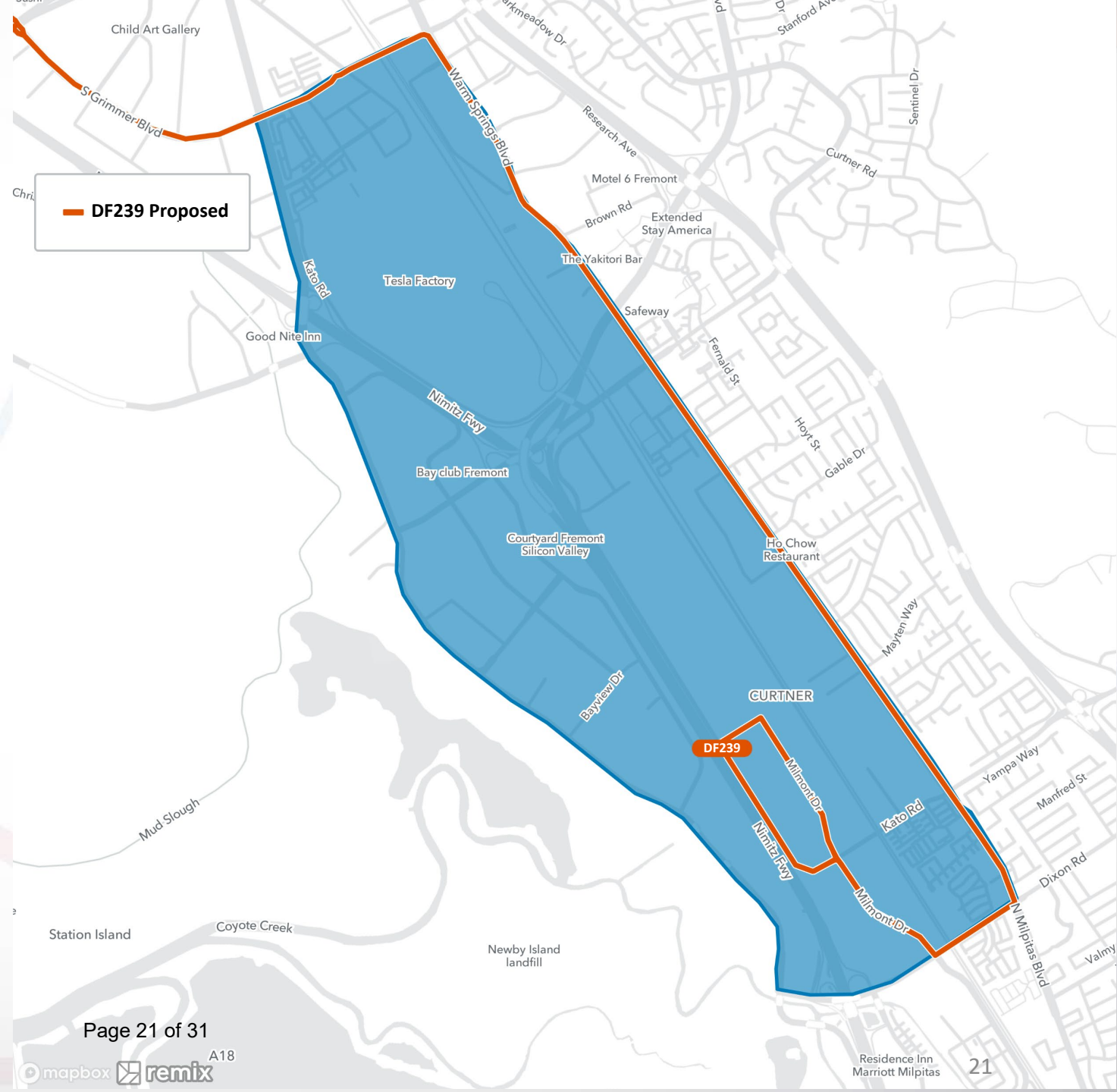




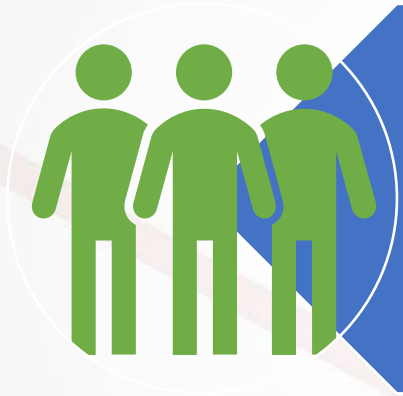
Warm Springs Microtransit Zone

- Future Microtransit Zone proposed to replace portions of Line 215 & 239
- Provide service in area hard to serve with fixed-route
- Slated for implementation after Realign plan elements; meanwhile, Line 239 extension will remain in operation.

Note: Microtransit services use vans or shuttle buses that offer on-demand or appointment-like service.



Frequency and Reliability Impacts*



+ 35.5%
population with access
to 15-minute service



+ 22.9%
zero-vehicle
households with access
to 15-minute service



+ 53.7%
jobs with access to 15-
minute service



8
lines changed to
improve reliability

*As compared with current network, approximations using 2020 Census numbers

Job Access

Weekday AM Peak

% Change, Job Access within 30 minutes

% Change, Job Access within 60 minutes

Weekday Midday

% Change, Job Access within 30 minutes

% Change, Job Access within 60 minutes

Weekend Day

% Change, Job Access within 30 minutes

% Change, Job Access within 60 minutes

-0.81%

1.41%

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-0.13%

3.24%

-0.12%

3.26%

-2.74%

0.22%

-2.71%

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Grocery and Hospital Access

Weekday AM Peak

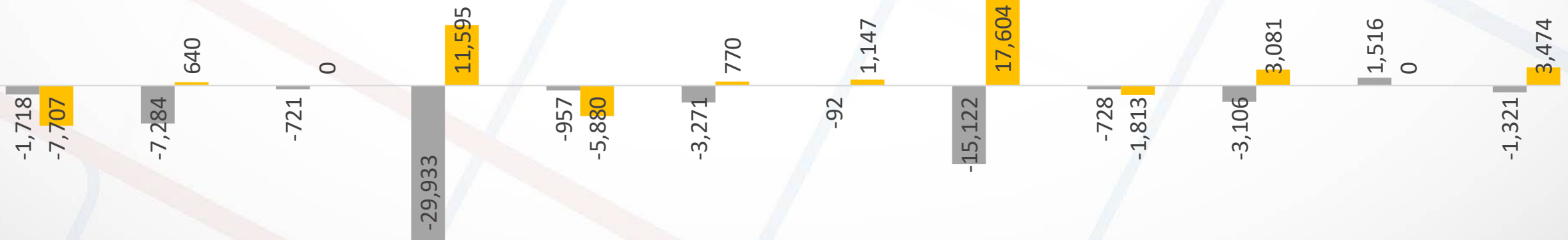
Change, People within 15 min. of 2 Grocery Stores	Change, People within 30 min. of 2 Grocery Stores	Change, People within 15 min. of a Hospital	Change, People within 30 min. of a Hospital
-1,718	-7,284	-721	-29,933
-7,707	640	0	11,595

Weekday Midday

Change, People within 15 min. of 2 Grocery Stores	Change, People within 30 min. of 2 Grocery Stores	Change, People within 15 min. of a Hospital	Change, People within 30 min. of a Hospital
-957	-3,271	-92	-15,122
-5,880	770	1,147	17,604

Weekend Day

Change, People within 15 min. of 2 Grocery Stores	Change, People within 30 min. of 2 Grocery Stores	Change, People within 15 min. of a Hospital	Change, People within 30 min. of a Hospital
-728	-3,106	1,516	-1,321
-1,813	3,081	0	3,474



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Paratransit Impacts

- Paratransit coverage area currently frozen at larger 2019-era network
- Grandfathering has cost and policy implications
- Estimated ~100 active paratransit clients would fall outside of $\frac{3}{4}$ mile range of fixed-route in Draft Final Plan





Realign Service Levels by Phase (from near- to long-term)

Scope of Public Hearings

Realign (as soon as March 2025)

- Operator/Cost-Neutral
- 85% of Pre-Pandemic Service Levels

Realign+ (on-going)

- Operator and Funding-Dependent
- 100% of Pre-Pandemic Service Levels
- Focused on Priority Transit Network

Unconstrained Plan (long-term)

- Operator and Funding-Dependent
- Aspirational, unconstrained network plan
- Incorporating what we've heard from riders, public, advocates, and municipalities.



Realign+ : *As we staff up to our budgeted pre-pandemic headcount, where do we put those new operators?*

Reliability:

Fill all scheduled trips (meet or exceed KPI for % of Service Operated)

Invest in service schedules where needed

Continue capital reliability investments street + signal design, and dedicated restrooms for operators

Frequency:

Prioritize new service that **reestablishes frequent transit network**

Equity:

Ensure frequent network **improves travel in Equity Priority Communities (EPCs)**



Realign+ : Invest in Primary Route Network

Frequency and Span Minimums

Weekdays: 5:00 – 12:00 a.m.
at least every 15 minutes, 7:00am – 7:00pm

- 1. Line 72R**
- 2. Line 1T** (*every 7-8 minutes*)
- 3. Lines 51A/B** (*every 10 minutes*)
- 4. Line 14**
- 5. Line 62**
- 6. Line 88**
- 7. Line 73**
- 8. Line 36** (*based on existing Line 36/79 alignment ridership*)
- 9. Line F**

Weekends: 6:00 – 12:00 a.m.
at least every 20 minutes, 7:00am – 7:00pm

- 10. Line 54**
- 11. Line 76**
- 12. Line 27** (*based on existing Line 7 and Line 79 ridership*)
- 13. Line 12**
- 14. Line 52**
- 15. Line 299** (*based on existing Line 99 ridership*)



Project Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Action</u>
8/2/2024	8/7 Board Meeting Packet posts & Public Comment Period Opens
8/7/2024	Board Meeting: Set Public Hearings and Introduce Draft Final Plan
9/9/2024	Public Hearing #1 (Staff-led)
9/10/2024	Public Hearing #2 (Staff-led)
9/11/2024	Public Hearing #3 (Board-led)
9/11/2024	Public Hearing #4 (Board-led) and Close Public Comment Period
9/25/2024	Board Meeting: Service Standards
10/9/2024	Board Meeting: Realign Board Decision-making
Early 2025	Unconstrained Plan – 2 nd Draft Review
as soon as March 2025	New Service Change
TBD	Realign+ Service Change updates (<i>Priorities that can be phased in based on availability of more resources [Operator/Funding]</i>)
Long-term	Unconstrained Plan Service Change (<i>based on new sustainable resources, an unconstrained plan</i>)

Next Steps:

Set Public Hearings

We are here

August 7

Set Public Hearings and
Open Public Comment Period

Public Hearings

September 9-11

Convene Public Hearings,
Close Comment Period

Service Standards

September 25

Service Standards Draft

Final Plan Decision

October 9

Board votes on Final Plan

Note: Unconstrained Plan to be refined in early 2025.



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Recommended Motion:

Set hybrid Public Hearings before the Board of Directors at 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 11, 2024 at AC Transit's General Offices and setting remote staff-led Public Hearings on September 9, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. and September 10, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. regarding the Realign Draft Final Network Plan.