



DRAFT NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF AND INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Date: Thursday, September 26, 2019

Project Title: Division 4 (D4) Modifications to Accommodate Battery Electric Buses as Part of the 45 Zero Emission Buses (ZEBs) Purchase

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Project Location: Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District
Division 4 Facility
1100 Seminary Avenue
Oakland, CA 94621
Temporary Bus Parking
6235 Tevis Street
Oakland, CA 94621

This notice is to inform of the availability of the environmental review document concerning the proposed project described below. The document is an initial study/preliminary mitigated negative declaration (IS/PMND), containing information about the possible environmental effects of the proposed project. The IS/PMND documents the determination of the Alameda Contra Costa Transit District (AC Transit) that the proposed project would not have a significant adverse effect on the environment pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

AC Transit will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday October 23, 2019 at 6 p.m.** at the **AC Transit General Offices, located at 1600 Franklin Street, Oakland**, to receive public comments on the proposed project.

The description of the proposed project and the IS/PMND are available to view or download on AC Transit's website at <http://www.actransit.org/D4BatteryElectricBuses>. Printed copies are also available at:

- The *AC Transit General Office*, located at 1600 Franklin Street in Oakland, California
- The *Oakland Public Library – Martin Luther King Jr. Branch* located at 6833 International Boulevard in Oakland
- The *Oakland Public Library – Main Library* located at 125 14th Street in Oakland

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

As part of the 45 Zero Emission Bus (ZEB) purchase, AC Transit proposes to procure between 20 and 40 Battery Electric Buses (BEBs) that would directly replace the same amount of 40-foot diesel buses to be based at the Division 4 (D4) Facility. The proposed project includes construction of associated infrastructure improvements to the D4 facility located at 1100 Seminary Avenue in Oakland. The new infrastructure improvements would include the installation of additional transformers, switchgears, charging equipment, and the construction of a new concrete deck to accommodate the new overhead charging stations. Overhead charging stations would be fixed on the



underside of the overhead deck such that buses can park underneath and connect to the charging unit via pantograph or overhead reel. The proposed project would also include pavement of a portion (110,000 square feet) of the AC Transit property located at 6235 Tevis Street to accommodate temporary bus parking during construction at the D4 facility. The site would continue to be used for storage after construction. Construction activities are scheduled to begin in January, 2021 and is expected to be complete in less than 12 months. prior to delivery of the BEBs to the D4 facility.

Within 30 calendar days following publication of the PMND (i.e., **by 5 p.m. on Monday, October 28, 2019**), any person may make recommendations for amending the text of the document. The text of the PMND may be amended to clarify or correct statements and may be expanded to include additional relevant issues or to cover issues in greater depth. Comments may be submitted in the following ways:

- By speaking at or filling out comment forms at the public hearing (details above);
- Submitting written comments:
 - By mail to AC Transit Board of Directors, 1600 Franklin Street, Oakland, CA 94612
 - By e-mail to planning@actransit.org
 - By facsimile at (510) 891-7157
 - Leaving comments in a voicemail message by calling at (510) 891-7201. For Spanish-language comments, call (510) 891-7291; and for Chinese-language comments, call (510) 891-7292.

FOREIGN AND SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER

Spanish and Chinese interpreters will be available at the public hearing. Upon request, a sign language interpreter or a foreign language interpreter (for languages other than those mentioned in this notice) will be present at the meeting. Please contact the District Secretary's Office at (510) 891-7201 by Thursday October 17, at 5:00 p.m., to make arrangements. For TDD for hearing impaired, call 711, California Relay Service, and specify (510) 891-4700.

Meeting is wheelchair accessible.

TRANSIT TO THE PUBLIC HEARING

All AC Transit bus lines serving downtown Oakland stop within walking distance of the public hearing site. For trip-planning, visit www.actransit.org or call 511 (and say, "AC Transit"). The site can also be reached via BART to the 19th St. Oakland station.