BART and AC Transit Interagency Liaison Committee 2025 Coordination Priorities

Recent Accomplishments, Current Initiatives and Updates to 2024 Goals and Objectives

The updated priorities give BART and AC Transit some opportunities for coordination based on goals and objectives previously developed by staff from each agency in 2018 and updated annually. The Inter-agency Liaison (ILC) Committee cannot authorize respective staff to execute priorities or initiatives through the ILC. Formal authorizations would come through the decision-making and implementation processes at BART and AC Transit and could require approval from the respective board of directors of each agency.

- Priority #1: Jointly plan service, passenger information, and capital projects to increase ridership and improve transfer experience
 - Recent accomplishments
 - Provided regular updates to GTFS
 - Implemented adjustments to the Early Bird Express service
 - Coordinated recent service adjustments, including improved timings and connections at Del Norte BART Station
 - Coordination of operations at BART station bus areas due to construction, including testing of bus bay numbering at stops and in communications.
 - Coordination on planning to accommodate bus service at transit-oriented development sites.
 - Co-managing Transformation Action Plan Initiatives with MTC including:
 - Fare Coordination
 - Mapping & Wayfinding
 - Transit Priority
 - Transit 2050+
 - TRANSFER Plan
 - Performance Metrics
 - Paratransit
 - Current and potential coordination efforts/initiatives
 - Coordinate Service Changes and AC Transit's Realign Network Plan
 - Coordinate operations at BART station bus areas
 - Coordinate on the connecting bus transit service component of BECCAP
 - Coordinate on station access signage implementation, including visual, tactile, and digital bus bay numbering.
 - Work with MTC and Contra Costa County transit operators on regional Paratransit service coordination with VTA and Contra Costa County, respectively
- Priority #2: Provide mutual aid between agencies in time of need
 - Recent accomplishments

- Operated planned and emergency bus bridges
- Current and potential coordination efforts/initiatives
 - Explore Emergency Fare Reciprocity for passengers during service disruptions
 - Operate and plan future bus bridges
- Priority #3: Collaborate and support each other on funding advocacy and grant applications for projects, programs and initiatives which benefit our respective agency's missions and goals
 - Recent accomplishments

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- Support and advocacy for additional pandemic recovery funding
- Applied for Alameda County grants for an East Bay Paratransit travel-training program
- Current and potential coordination efforts/initiatives
 - Advocacy for state operating funds
 - Regional revenue measure
 - State Cap and Trade Reauthorization
 - Federal Surface Transportation Reauthorization priorities
 - Coordinate on Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities grants
- Priority #4: Create a fare policy and products that encourage and facilitate seamless use of both transit systems
 - Recent accomplishments
 - Clipper START expansion
 - Modernized transfer discount mechanism from paper ticket to Clipper
 - Bay Pass implementation and expansion
 - Current and potential coordination efforts/initiatives
 - Fare Coordination and Integration Study (FCIS) implementation, including free regional transfers
 - Clipper 2 Implementation
- Priority #5: Advocate for and develop legislative policies that are mutually beneficial for both transit agencies
 - Recent accomplishments

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- Collaborated on responses to state legislation impacting public transit
- Current and potential coordination efforts/initiatives
 - Joint advocacy for direct MTC representation for transit
 - Policy provisions in regional revenue measure
 - Participation in Caltrans Statewide Transit Priority Policy efforts
 - Participation in MTC's Regional Transit Priority Policy efforts
 - Participation in State Transit Transformation Task Force
- Priority #6: Coordinate to improve operational and administrative efficiencies
 - Recent accomplishments
 - Hired additional staff to manage Regional Network Management efforts
 - Constructed Restrooms for AC Transit operators on BART property.
 - Jointly awarded RFP for Paratransit Broker contract to TransDev
 - Kicked-off the implementation of new software for Paratransit operations
 - Current and potential coordination efforts/initiatives

- Service change and service change timing coordination via the regional TRANSFER Plan effort
- Continue to coordinate on provision of restrooms for AC Transit operators on BART property, including the installation of Throne portable restrooms