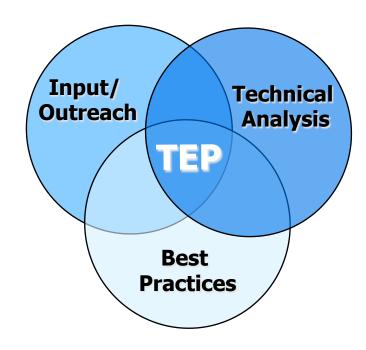


# Transit Effectiveness Project Implementation Update

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# **Planning Process Overview**

- Jointly sponsored by the SFMTA and the Controller's Office
- First system study in a generation
- Included market research, service assessment and operations review
- Developed recommendations based on unprecedented data analysis and community outreach



 Planning process concluded in October 2008 when SFMTAB endorsed recommendations for purposes of environmental review

# **TEP Planning Phase Findings**

- Muni service should be safe and reliable
- Slow travel times frustrate customers and increase operating costs
- Changing SF travel patterns require better connections between existing and emerging neighborhoods and to regional transit
- Resource investments should be concentrated on busiest corridors to maximize customer benefits

## **Proposed Route Categories**

Rapid Network – Heaviest ridership lines with the most frequent service (every 5 to 10 min)

Local Network – Combine with Rapid Network to create core network (service every 10 to 15 min)

Community Connectors – Fills gaps in coverage and connects to core network (service every 15 to 30 min)

**Specialized Services** – Augments all day service and addresses focused needs (includes express routes)

## **Using TEP Principles**

# Since planning phase concluded, the SFMTA has used TEP principals to improve Muni service

#### Service Changes (Dec 09, May 10, Sep 10)

- Resources allocated to the most crowded routes
- Initial route restructuring was implemented

#### **Schedule Improvements**

- Improved reliability by adjusting running time on 60 percent of weekday schedules
- Standby hours reduced to improve cost effectiveness

#### **Supervision**

 Line Management Center created to proactively manage terminal departures, service gaps, breakdowns, etc



## **Using TEP Principles**

#### **Congestion Management**

- SF*park* program
- Van Ness and Geary BRT planning

#### Infrastructure and Vehicle Reliability

- State of good repair program prioritized to focus on service reliability, e.g., St.
  Francis Circle Rail Replacement Project
- Rehabilitation program developed for critical vehicle components



#### **Data Collection and Utilization**

- Automatic passenger counters increased to 30 percent, deployment plan developed to rotate APCs systematically
- Data informed all service changes and helped the SFMTA negotiate a favorable new shelter contract - value of advertising tied to daily boardings

### **Recent Milestones**

- Implementation Strategy finalized and presented to SFMTA Board of Directors and TEP Policy Group
  - Outlines project priorities, funding needs and an implementation schedule
- SFMTA submitted an environmental application to the San Francisco Planning Department
- Contract to support the EIR up for approval at upcoming SFMTA Board meeting, with environmental assessment work anticipated to begin September 2011
- Engineering staff are refining proposals for travel time improvements on the TEP rapid network

## **Travel Time Reduction Proposals**

- \$87 million investment along Rapid Network
  - Would reduce running times 10 to 30 percent and make service more cost effective
- Major elements include traffic engineering changes, stop optimization, boarding islands and bulbs, new traffic signals
- More complex projects also considering dedicated lanes
- \$500K per mile investments in customer amenities including ticket vending machines, signage, pedestrian improvements



## **Near-term TTRP**

\$40 million investment along 12 segments by FY15, prioritized

based on cost effectiveness

#### **Route Segments:**

J Church

M Ocean View

N Judah

5 Fulton

8X/AX/BX Bayshore Express

9/9I San Bruno

14/14L/14X Mission

28/28L 19th Ave

30 Stockton



- Remaining segments to be improved in FY16 to 20
- Market Street, Geary and Van Ness not addressed because projects underway will improve travel times

# **Completed Rapid Network**

Additional \$47 million investment by FY20 to complete network

#### **Route Segments:**

J Church

K Ingleside

L Taraval

N Judah

M Ocean View

1 California

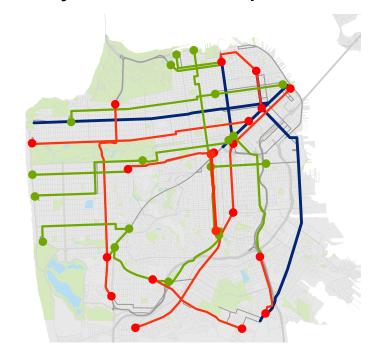
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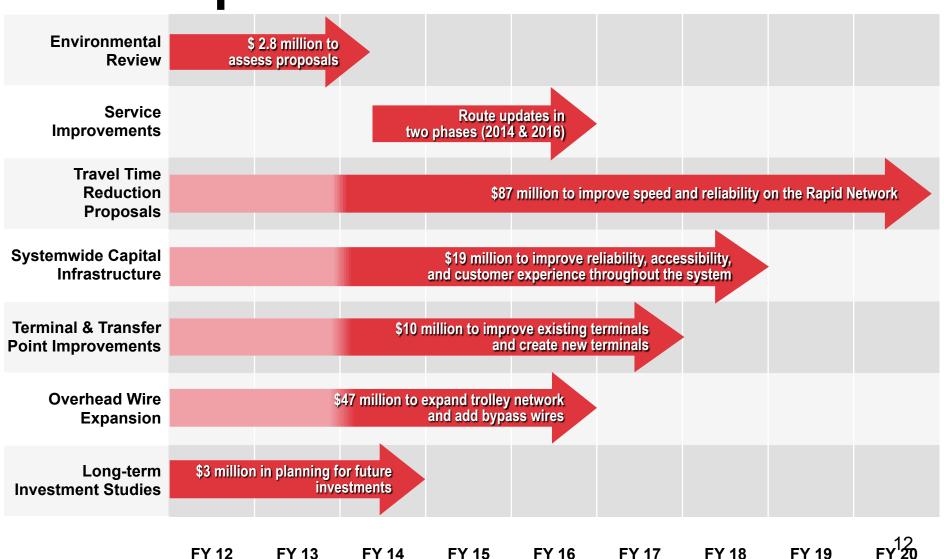
Includes full build out of Market Street, Van Ness and Geary

# **Service Improvements**

- Two phases planned in FY14 and FY16 each phase includes route changes and frequency improvements
- Would require additional operating dollars
  - 5 to 10 percent more annual service hours
  - Travel time savings would optimize operating dollars
  - Frequency improvements are flexible enough to be modified based on available resources



## Implementation Schedule



## **Environmental Review Process**

- CEQA and NEPA analysis expected to take 21 months after consultant NTP
  - Some CEQA steps have mandated time periods
  - Pursuing opportunities to reduce time needed for staff-led tasks
- Consultant RFP completed and work is expected to begin September 2011
- Concurrently, staff will complete conceptual engineering on priority projects to inform environmental review
- Following CEQA Certification, the SFMTA Board of Directors will have opportunity to approve TEP recommendations and legislate changes

# **Next Steps**

- Finalize consultant contract and begin CEQA Review
- Complete conceptual engineering on priority projects to inform environmental review
- Gather community input related to travel time reduction proposals
- Initiate pilot projects to inform environmental review
- Provide quarterly updates to the SFMTA Board of Directors

## **Questions & Discussion**

