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Realign Draft Service Scenarios

INFORMATIONAL ITEM: AC Transit Realign Bus Service Network Plan Update
Piedmont City Council

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2023



AC Transit At-a-Glance

Rider Demographics:

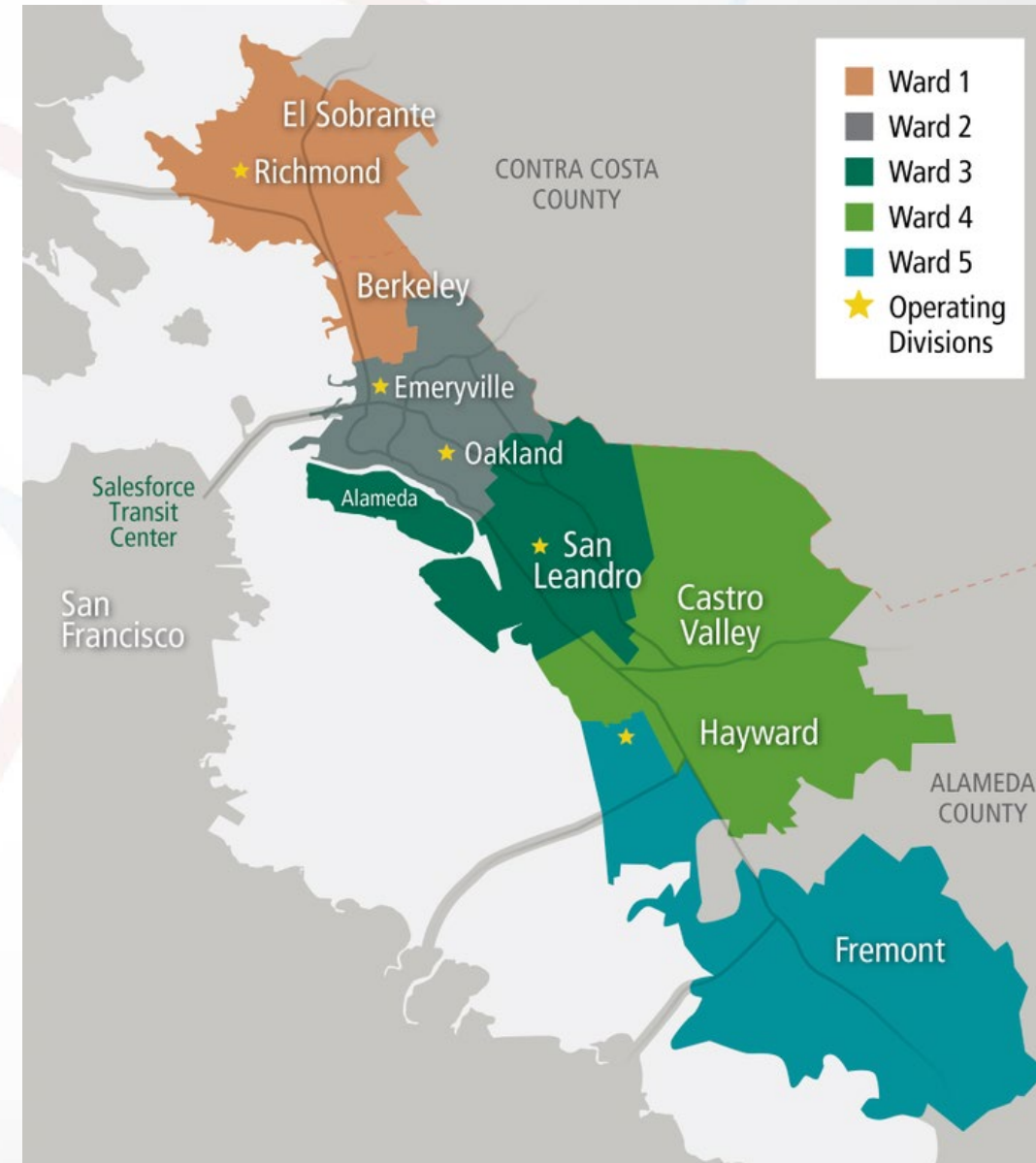
- **65%** low income
- **75%** people of color
- **29%** Limited English Proficiency
- **27%** of riders are traveling to work
- **30,000** student trips to and from school every school day

Riders During Pandemic:

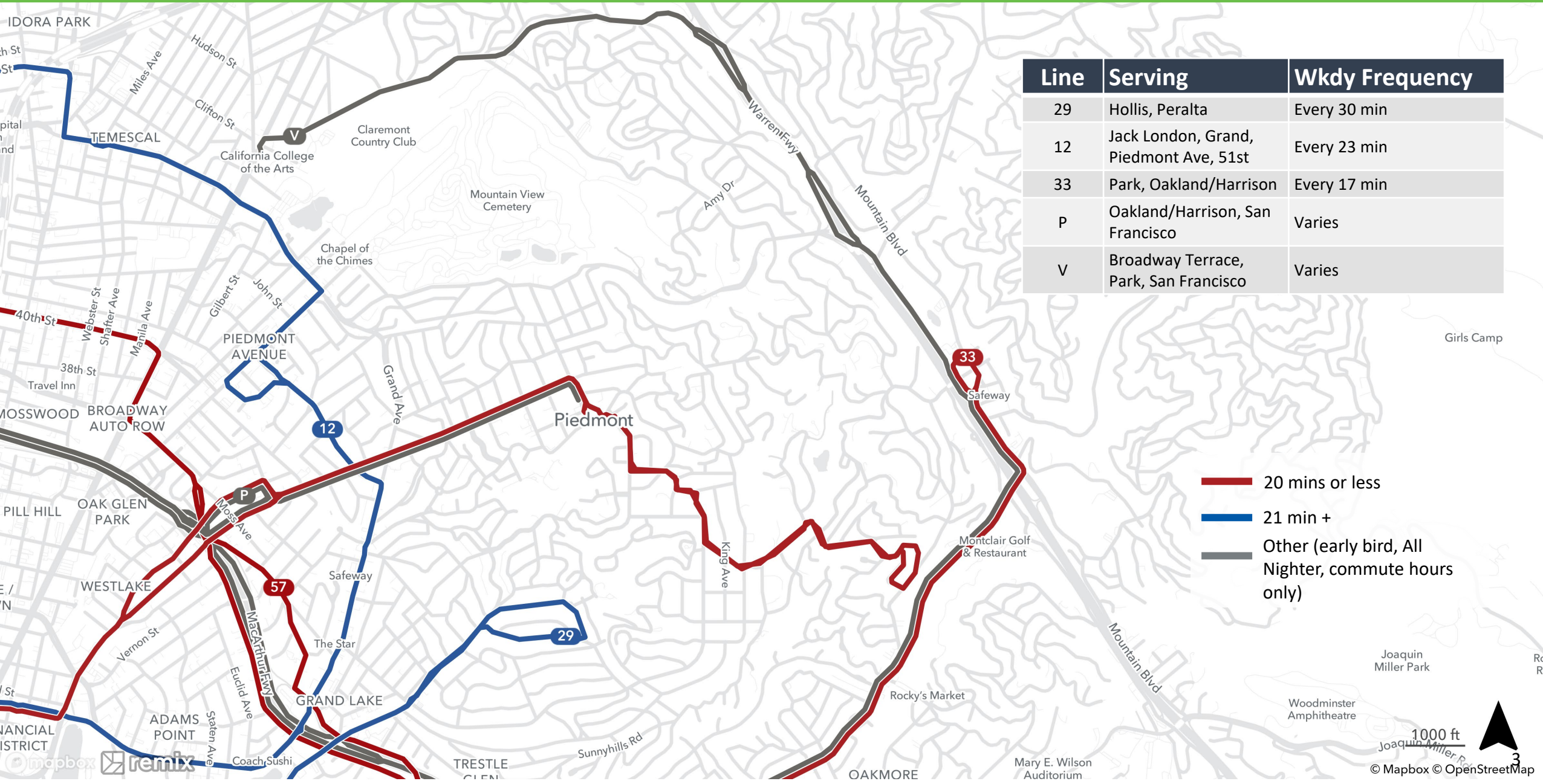
- **40%** of riders made an essential trip
- **15%** of riders identified as an essential worker
- **43%** riders do not have access to a car

We serve

Essential workers, students, low-income, seniors, commuters, individuals with disabilities, and anyone wishing to reduce their carbon footprint.



Transit Service in Piedmont Today



What is Realign?

It's a review of AC Transit's
routes and schedules.

Where do
routes go to and
from?

How often do
buses run along
each route?

What times of
day are routes
running?

Why is Realign Happening?

Challenges with hiring and retaining enough bus operators

AC Transit rider habits have shifted

Ridership is at 72% of pre-pandemic levels

Challenging budget outlook due to fare and tax revenue losses.

Realign Project Phasing

1

**Develop Plans
+
Learn Rider
Needs**

Mar-Jun 2023

2

**Aligning
Guiding
Principles with
Community
Assessment**

Jul-Aug 2023

3

**Develop
Service
Scenarios
and Gather
Feedback**

Sep-Dec 2023

4

**Draft Final
Service Plan
and Plan
Adoption**

Jan-Apr 2024

5

**Develop
Service
Standards
and Inform
Riders about
Service
Changes**

Apr-Sep 2024

Guiding Principles

Equity

Provide a network that prioritizes services for communities who need it the most.

Reliability

Provide bus service that is reliable and predictable.

Frequency

Provide frequent service to the most people; frequency's importance will vary by location and be balanced against geographic coverage and community needs.

Engagement

We heard you!



Service Scenarios Overview

Cost-Neutral

Stay the Course



Balanced Coverage Scenario

More Frequency,
Less Coverage



Frequent Service Scenario

Unconstrained

(Pending funding availability)

More Frequency,
More Coverage

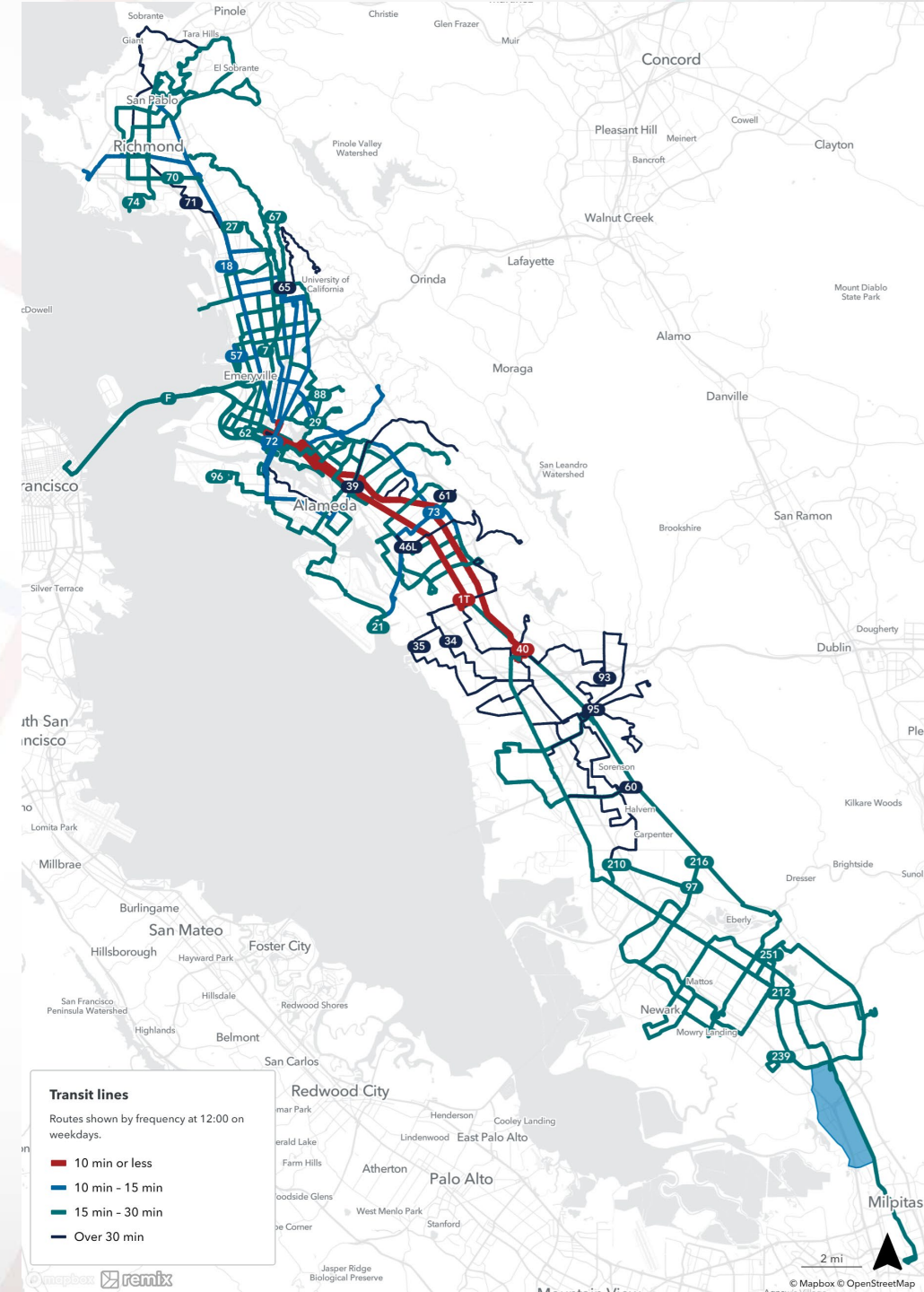


**Unconstrained Vision
Scenario**



Balanced Coverage Scenario

- Keeps today's balance between core service and providing network coverage.
 - Improves access to many destinations
 - New coverage to areas with high transit demand
 - Simplifies routes to improve reliability and travel time
 - Better matches service frequency to customer demand



Frequent Service Scenario

- Focuses more frequent service in denser areas at the cost of network coverage.
 - All local routes provide weekday service at least every 30 minutes
 - Better frequency on busier trunk routes
 - Simplifies routes to improve reliability and travel times
 - Eliminates less productive local lines and route segments.





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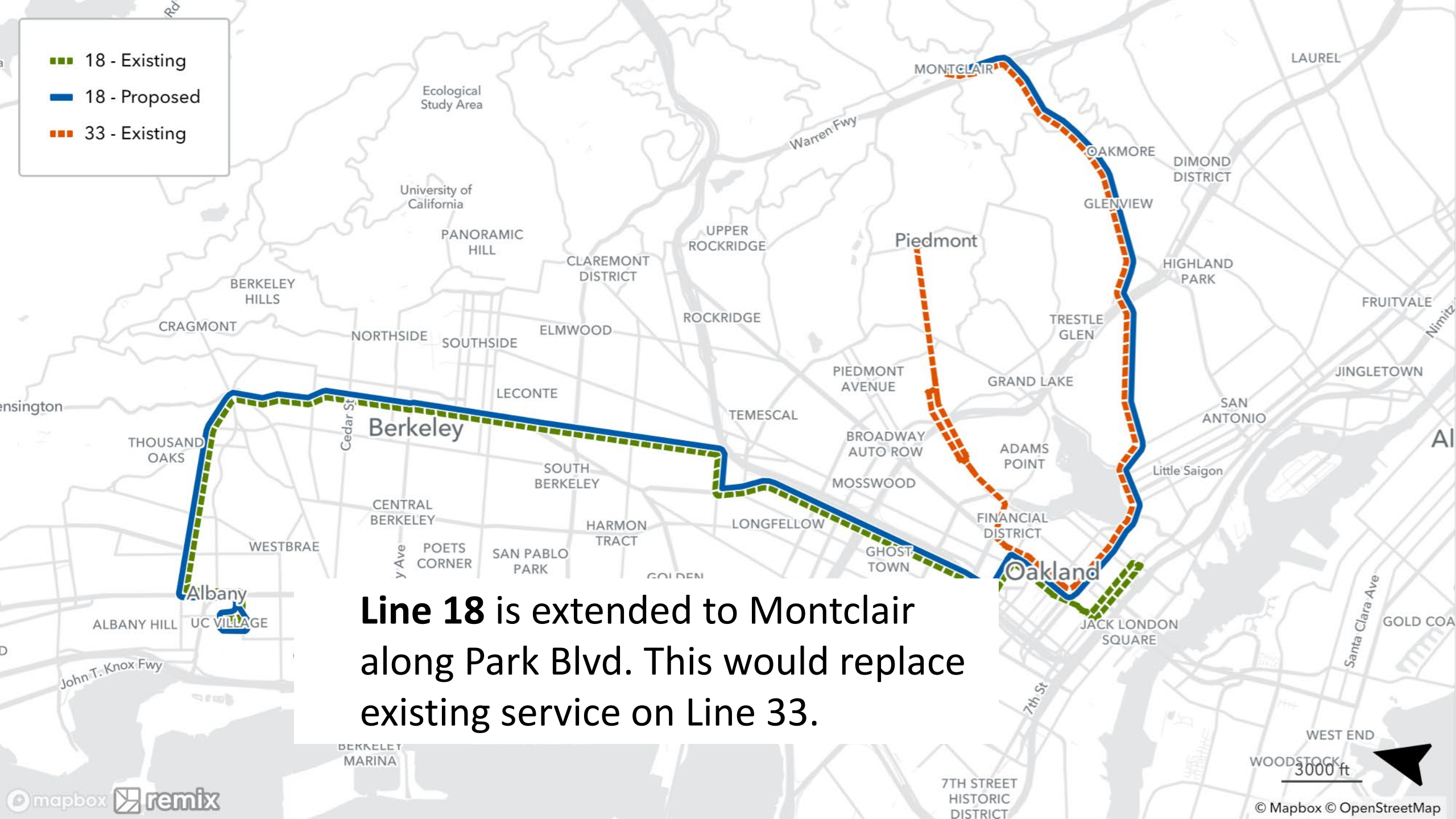
- Expanded frequent service, expanded coverage, more revenue, operators, buses, bus garages needed.
- Restores pandemic suspensions, with some changes to support equity and reflect new travel patterns.
- Proposed on-demand microtransit zones where fixed route service expansion is less practical.



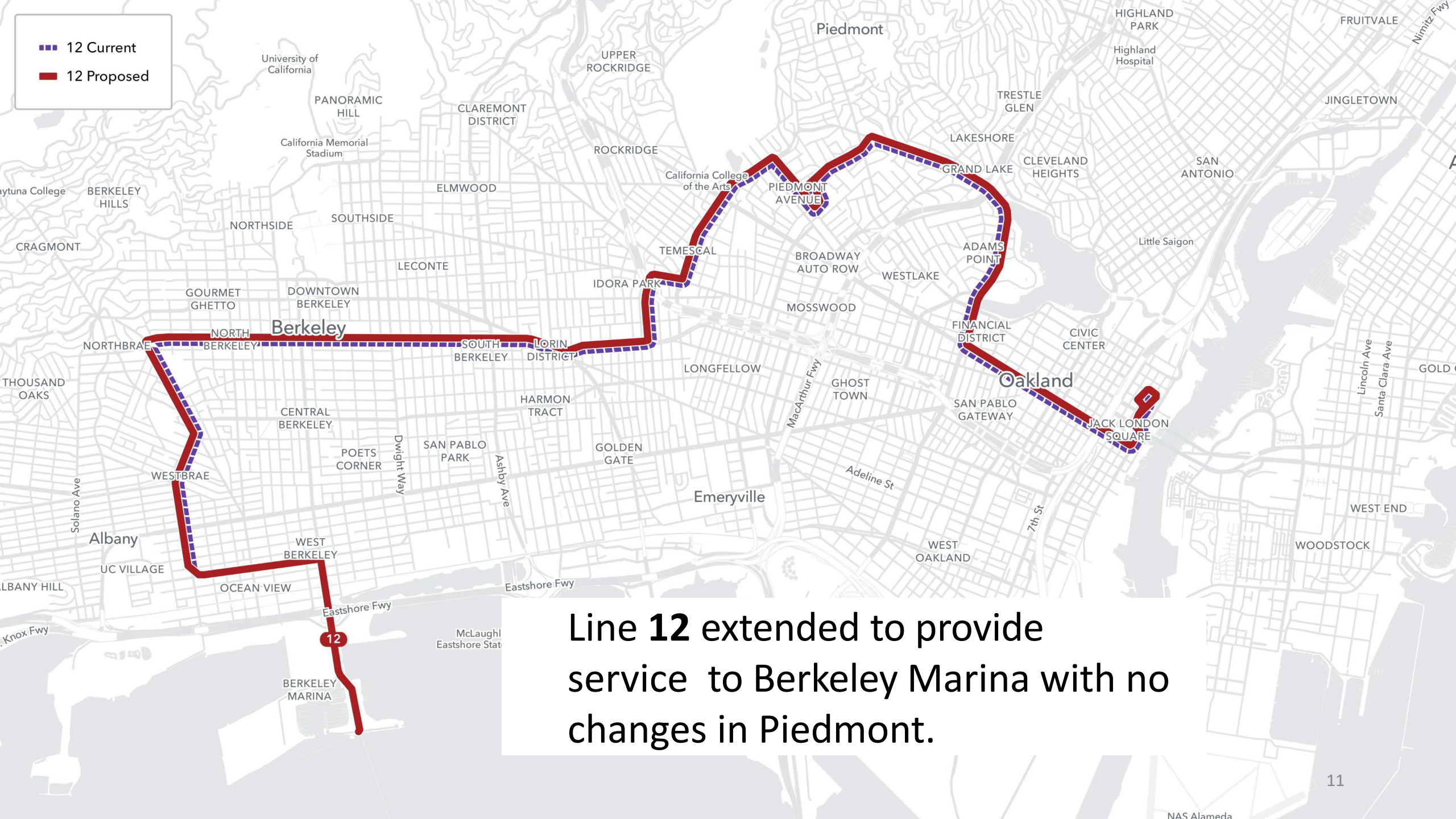
Key Highlights

Consistent between
Balanced Coverage and
Frequent Service scenarios

- 18 - Existing
- 18 - Proposed
- 33 - Existing



Line 18 is extended to Montclair along Park Blvd. This would replace existing service on Line 33.



12 Current
12 Proposed

Line **12** extended to provide service to Berkeley Marina with no changes in Piedmont.

System-wide Summary

	Existing Network	Balanced Coverage Scenario	Frequent Service Scenario	Unconstrained Vision Scenario
10 minutes or less	2 routes	2 routes	4 routes	20 routes
10 - 15 minutes	9 routes	9 routes	10 routes	17 routes
15 – 30 minutes	28 routes	34 routes	39 routes	26 routes
Over 30 minutes	23 routes	14 routes	0 routes	0 routes
Total	62 routes	59 routes	53 routes	63 routes



Public Engagement: Phase 3

November 1 – December 13, 2023

Shape the
future of
AC Transit's
bus
network

Review and comment on
bus service proposals
online, in person, or at a
local library.

Visit: actransit.org/realign



Public Engagement: Phase 3

November 1 – December 13, 2023

- **20+** Community Pop-Ups and Pop-Ins*
- **30+** City Council/Commission Presentations
- **2** Lived Experience Advisory Group (LEAG) Meetings
- **10** CBO Partnerships
- **7** CBO-led Open House events
- **1** Community Virtual Workshop on December 7, 2023
- **2** updates to AC Transit Board on November 1 and December 13

*(*Confirmed as of 10/13/2023)*

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Public Engagement: Phase 3

Print and Digital Collateral

Digital Interactive
Maps/Feedback

Static Maps/Feedback

Downloadable PDF/Print
Maps/Feedback





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