

# **2013 BART Service Disruption**

## **Regional Contingency Planning**

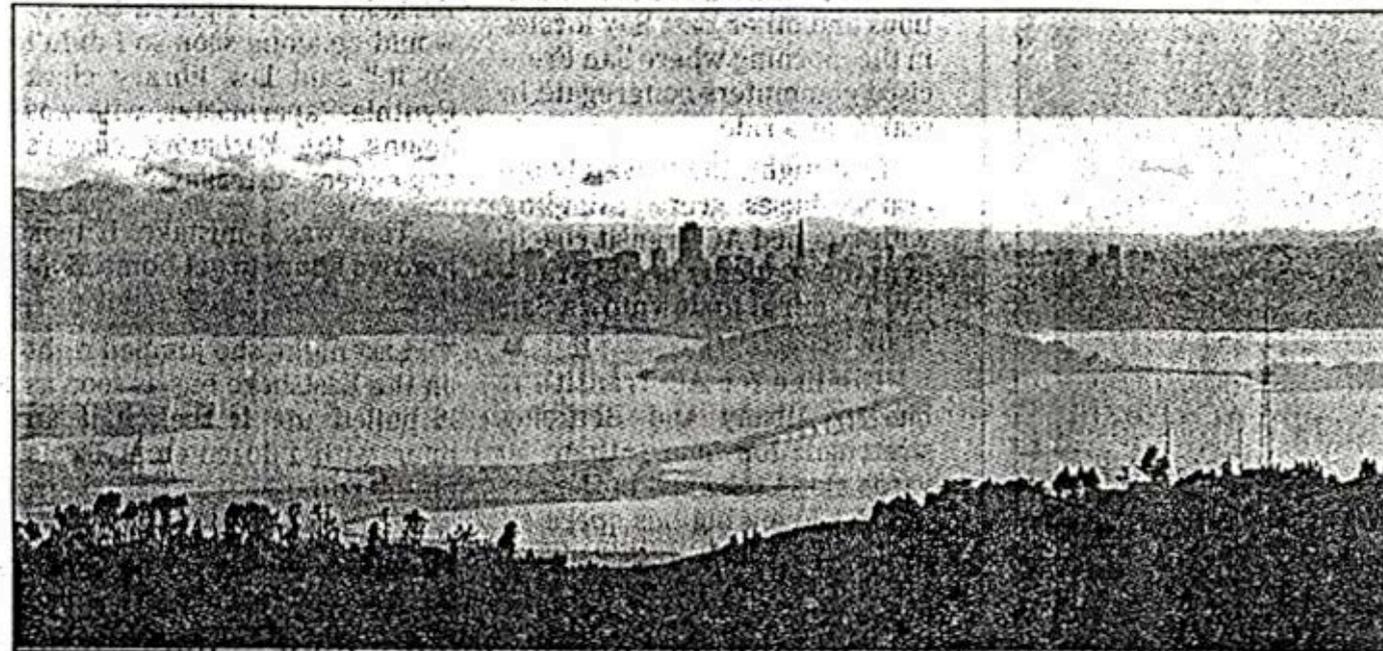
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## EDITORIALS

### Painful Lessons



BY CARLOS AVILA GONZALEZ/THE CHRONICLE

A smog-choked skyline is the result of more cars on the road because of the BART strike

### Strike shows fragility of transit systems

**T**HE BART strike, entering its fourth day, is bringing home several painful lessons for the San Francisco Bay Area.

periencing the consequences of that lack of vision and coordination.

■ Labor and management representatives everywhere can learn from the com

# Coordinating Regional Contingency Plan

- Developing a transit service contingency plan
- Promoting key message to public to telework or carpool
- Working with CT and CHP on traffic management plans
- Launched 511 special pages about commuter options in the event of a BART strike

A screenshot of the 511 SF Bay website's "BART Strike Info" page. The page features a navigation bar with tabs for "Overview", "Transit Options", "Carpooling", "Commuter Tips", and "Employer Tips". The main content area is titled "BART strike possible as early as 7/1" and includes a "Current Status as of June 24, 2013" section. A "Plan Ahead" section provides recommendations for carpooling and telecommuting. The right sidebar contains social media links for 511, Twitter (@511SFBay), and Facebook, along with a "WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW" section listing key advice and "TRANSIT AGENCY LINKS" for Muni, BART, and AC Transit.

**BART Strike Info**

Get service updates & commuter tips. >>

511 SF Bay **BART Strike Info**

Overview Transit Options Carpooling Commuter Tips Employer Tips

## BART strike possible as early as 7/1

**Current Status as of June 24, 2013**

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BART is currently operating regular train service.

### Plan Ahead

**Carpool or Telecommute**

During a strike, thousands of additional drivers will likely be on the road, and other transit operators have limited capability to expand service at this time.

**511 recommends that you:**

- telecommute or avoid traveling altogether,
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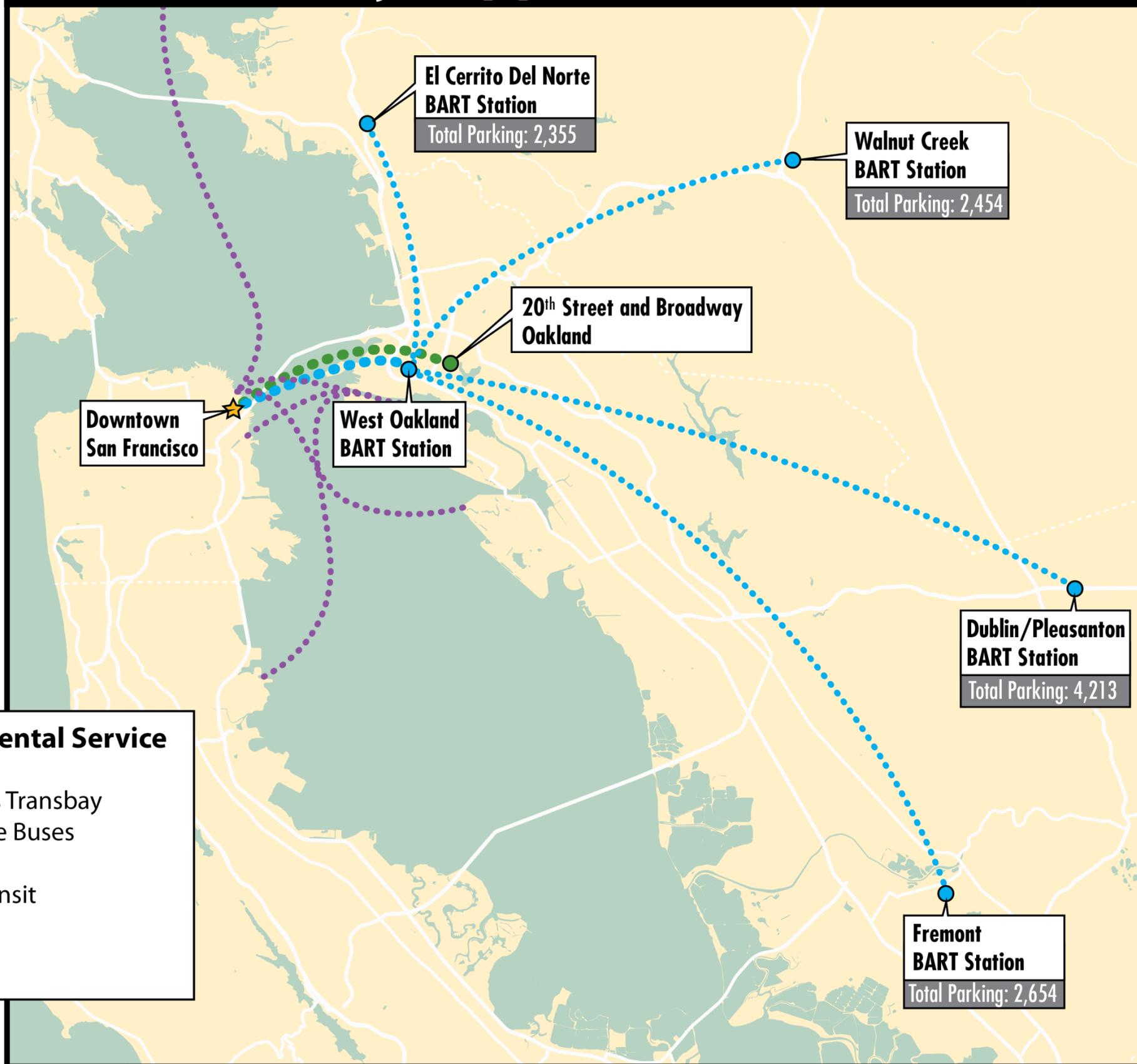
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# Transbay Supplemental Service

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- BART's Transbay Shuttle Buses
- AC Transit
- WETA



## East Bay Service

### AC Transit

- Focus on corridors parallel to BART (San Pablo Ave, Telegraph, Broadway, etc.)
- Monitoring schedule adherence
- Adjust service as needed

### CCCTA, Tri-Delta, LAVTA

- Regular service
- Re-route bus lines out of BART stations
- Some extra vehicles to deploy where needed

### Capitol Corridor

- Will add two cars

## West Bay Service

### MUNI

- Focus on corridors parallel to BART (Mission Corridor)
- Monitoring schedule adherence
- Adjust service as needed
- Concern about drivers ability to make it to city

### SamTrans

- Regular service and re-route buses out of BART stations
- Free shuttle between Daly City/Colma and SF to connect with Muni

### Caltrain

- Regular service and has capacity on non-express trains

# BART Daily Trips

Existing Service		Available Capacity and Supplemental Service					Demand Reduction (Telework & Carpool)	
Service Coverage	BART 1-way Avg. Daily	BART Transbay Shuttles	Ferry Service	Bus Service	Rail Service	Total	10%	25%
Transbay	100,000	4,000	6,800	16,200	-	27,000	(10,000)	(25,000)
West Bay	55,000	-	-	12,000	Caltrain	12,000	(5,500)	(13,750)
East Bay	45,000	-	-	12,000	900	12,900	(4,500)	(11,250)
<b>System Wide</b>	<b>200,000</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>6,800</b>	<b>40,200</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>51,900</b>	<b>(20,000)</b>	<b>(50,000)</b>

# Demand far outstrips supply.

.....key message is to tell  
commuters to telecommute or  
carpool.



June 24, 2013

Dear Employer:

The Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) is negotiating with several labor unions contracts that expire on June 30, 2013. If negotiations break down, service could be disrupted as early as July 1, 2013.

A BART strike would mean increased traffic congestion throughout much of the Bay Area, especially for commuters heading to or from the East Bay, the Peninsula, and San Francisco. We hope there is no strike, but employers would be wise to begin planning now.

The Bay Area Council and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) urge employers to review any special transportation plans that they may have and prepare to implement them in the event of a work stoppage. The most effective strategies will be to encourage telecommuting from home and to provide flexible work schedules. Those employees who must drive likely will find carpooling to be their best option; employees can pre-register for carpool matches by visiting the Rideshare page on [www.511.org](http://www.511.org). We have prepared tips for businesses and employers, attached to this letter. Also attached is a list of tips that you can provide your employees, either by e-mail or hard copy.

In the event of a work stoppage, employers and employees should visit the 511.org web site, which will feature a special information page with updates about potential service disruptions, advice on alternative commute options, and links to transit agency sites for information on modified services. Thank you for helping to keep the Bay Area on the move.

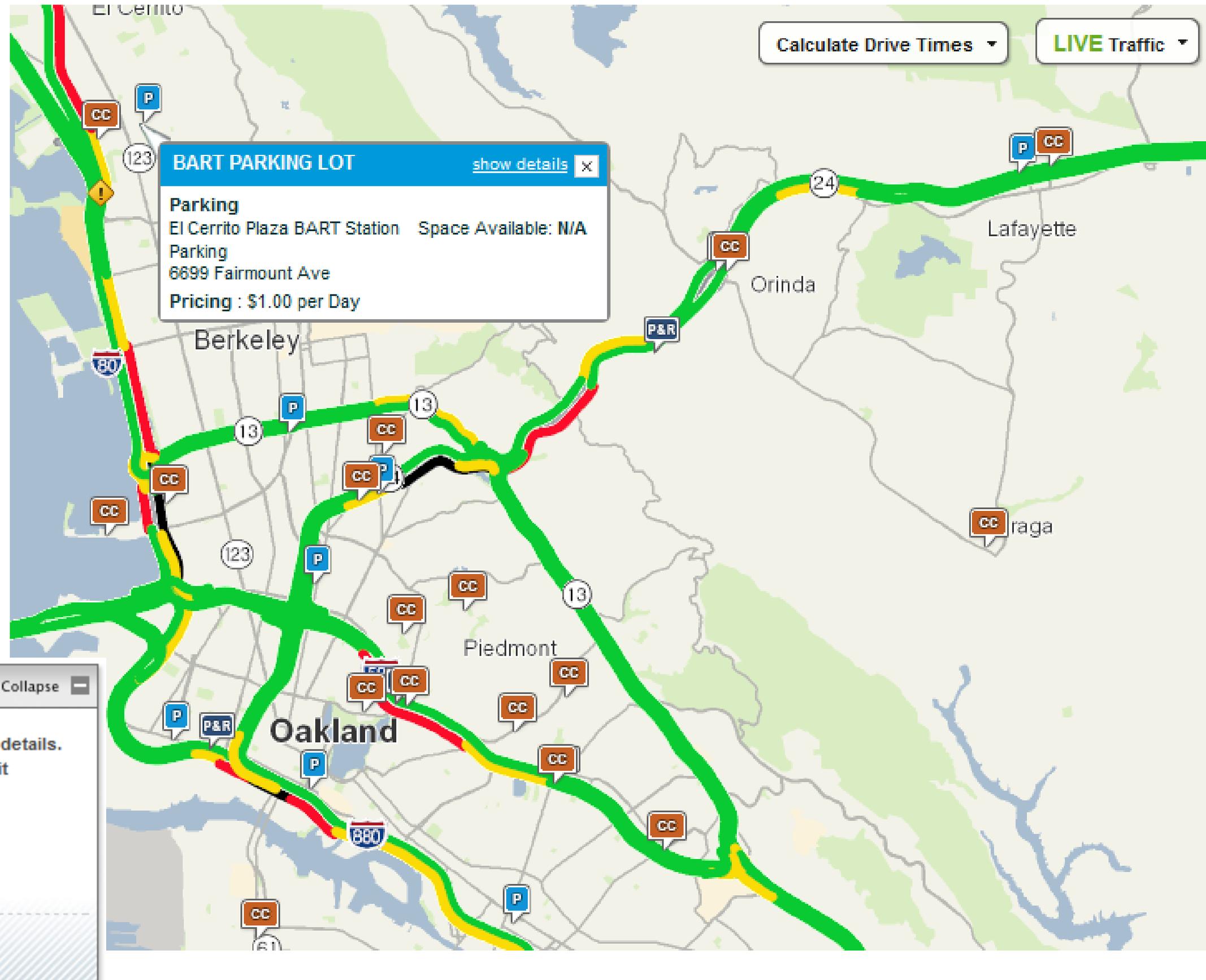
Sincerely,

Steve Heminger  
Executive Director  
MTC

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jim Wunderman'.

Jim Wunderman  
President and CEO  
Bay Area Council

# Carpooling



# Traffic Management Plans





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# Reimbursement of Supplemental Services

Seeking authorization to reimburse service costs for transit agencies, Caltrans and CHP from the following three sources:

- **The balance of BART's FY 2013-14 apportionment of State Transit Assistance revenue-based funds (up to \$18.7 million), following consultation with BART and the affected operators.\***
- **Uncommitted FY 2013-14 RM2 operating funds which can be used to cover applicable ferry services (up to \$1.2 million).**
- **"Disaster Preparedness" budget line item in the approved FY 2013-14 agency budget in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 for CHP and Caltrans services.**

\* Pursuant to Res. 3837, MTC has authority to allocate funds for inter-operator coordination.