

Suggested Text for your Announcement:

Draft Plan Bay Area Released: Comment Online or at Public Hearings

The Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) have released the Draft Plan Bay Area, an integrated, long-range transportation and land-use/housing plan to support a growing economy, provide more housing and transportation choices, and reduce transportation-related pollution in the Bay Area.

With our region's population projected to grow to some 9 million people by 2040, this Plan seeks to chart a course for accommodating growth while fostering an innovative, prosperous and competitive economy, preserving a healthy and safe environment and allowing all Bay Area residents to share the benefits of vibrant, sustainable communities connected by an efficient and well-maintained transportation network.

What is your vision for our region? What kind of communities will we leave for future generations? You are invited to attend a Public Hearing to offer comments or share your views online via a new interactive web tool called Plan Bay Area Town Hall, at www.OneBayArea.org.

In our county, the hearing will be held on __ (day of the week, date) at ____ (city, address, room, etc.) ____.

Each Public Hearing will include an Open House where you can view displays and ask questions about the draft Plan. Those interested can attend the Public Hearing to provide oral comments. For those unable to stay, a comment station will be open throughout the evening. Copies of the draft Plan Bay Area can be downloaded at www.OneBayArea.org.

The Open House will run from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., with the Public Hearing in the same location from 7 to 9 p.m. No registration is needed.

Comments on the Draft Plan, along with a companion Environmental Impact Report (EIR) scheduled for release in April will be accepted until 4 p.m. Thursday, May 16, 2013. The Plan and EIR are expected to be adopted by ABAG and MTC this summer. If you or someone you know needs language translation services or material in an accessible format, please contact MTC at 510.817.5757 or 510.817.5769 for TDD/TTY at least three days before the meeting.

Public Hearings/Open House

Monday, April 8, 2013

Napa County: Elks Lodge, 2840 Soscol Ave., Napa
Sonoma County: Friedman Center, 4676 Mayette Ave., Santa Rosa

Thursday, April 11, 2013

San Francisco County: Whitcomb Hotel, 1231 Market St., San Francisco

Monday, April 22, 2013

Solano County: County Fairgrounds, McCormack Hall, 900 Fairgrounds Dr., Vallejo
Contra Costa County: Marriott Hotel, 2355 North Main St., Walnut Creek

Monday, April 29, 2013

Marin County: Marin Center, 10 Avenue of the Flags, San Rafael
San Mateo County: Crowne Plaza Hotel, 1221 Chess Drive, Foster City

Wednesday, May 1, 2013

Alameda County: Mirage Ballroom, 4100 Peralta Blvd., Fremont
Santa Clara County: Hilton Hotel, 300 Almaden Blvd., San Jose

Public Hearings are from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. and Open Houses are from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.