



COVID-19 Response Update

Board of Directors Meeting

January 28, 2021



Agenda

- Federal Assistance Update
- District COVID-19 Employee Response Protocol
 - Social Distancing
 - Disinfecting
 - Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
 - Employee COVID-19 Results
 - Employee Testing
 - Contact Tracing
 - Employee Notification Process
- Vaccine Readiness Plan

Federal Assistance Update

Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) Approved December 31

- Package allocates \$14B for public transit through FTA infrastructure programs
- Three Bay Area Urbanized Areas will receive a total of \$982M: San Francisco/Oakland (\$822M); San Jose (\$144M); Santa Rosa (\$15M)
- MTC Commission responsible for distribution. Two tranches: True up (January 27); Remaining funds (March 24)

Potential Future Federal Assistance

- Biden Administration has proposed a \$1.9T 'American Rescue Plan', which includes \$20B to preserve public transit service and prevent job losses
- Administration also intends to propose a separate major infrastructure funding package

Federal Assistance Update

CRRSAA - True Up

- MTC Commission Resolution on CARES Act Distribution:
“In the event any transit operator received less than their adjusted share of CARES Act funding due to the inaccurate forecasts, such differentials shall be compensated with a future federal allocation of emergency funding”
- Based on actual revenue losses, MTC staff proposed this true up distribution:

Agency	1st Distribution
BART	\$103,717,002
Caltrain	\$6,936,627
GGBHTD	\$20,319,959
SFMTA	\$43,750,147
WETA	\$4,877,943
TOTAL	\$179,601,678
Remaining for 2nd Distribution:	\$802,669,615

Federal Assistance Update

CRRSAA - Second Tranche

- MTC and operators working on a locally-determined formula to allocate remaining \$802.6M
- Goals include: preserving service, preventing layoffs, serving transit dependent riders; will consider revenue and expense

<i>Timeframe</i>	<i>Action</i>
<i>01/20/21</i>	<i>Commission Packet Mail-Out</i>
<i>01/27/21</i>	<i>Commission approval of CRRSAA 1st Distribution</i>
<i>Early February</i>	<i>Communication with operators on financial summaries and preliminary 2nd distribution alternatives</i>
<i>02/24/2021</i>	<i>Commission update on operator Financial/Service Status</i>
<i>02/12/2021-02/26/2021</i>	<i>Continued discussion with operators on 2nd distribution</i>
<i>03/10/2021</i>	<i>PAC recommendation of 2nd Distribution</i>
<i>03/24/2021</i>	<i>Commission approval of 2nd Distribution</i>

District COVID-19 Response Protocol

- Remote work where possible
- Social Distancing
 - Maintenance Shops
 - Staggered breaks
 - No face-to-face shift turn over
 - Job briefings – outside where possible, social distanced
 - KN95 Masks required when more than one person in a vehicle together
 - Stations
 - Single Agent per booth
 - One person limit for Breakrooms
 - Train Ops
 - Limited breakroom capacity
 - Identified alternative spaces for breaks and lunches

District COVID-19 Response Protocol

- Disinfection Protocols
 - Customer Facing
 - High touch points multiple times per shift
 - Inside trains daily
 - Employee work areas
 - Started before it was a requirement
 - Fogging responsive to an incident and preventative
 - Areas include train cabs, employee break rooms, etc.
- Mandated Mask Wearing at work
- Education and Training Outreach

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Objective: To obtain one year of PPE inventory on hand

PPE Type	Current Supply on Hand
Masks - N95/KN95	1 year
Masks - Cloth	1 year
Masks - Disposable Surgical	1 year
Disinfectant wipes	6 months
Train fogging disinfectant	3.5 months
Disinfectant spray	1 year
Hand Sanitizer	1 year
Disposable Gloves	5.5 months

District COVID-19 Results

Through January 20, 2021

- Number of tests administered through BART: 2,100
- Number of positive employee cases: 132
 - Maintenance: 47
 - Stations: 22
 - Train Operations: 18
 - Police: 23
 - Engineering/ Administrative/ Other: 22
- Number of workplace outbreaks ("clusters"): 3
 - Station employee break room: 1
 - Train Operations employee break room: 2

Employee Testing Protocol

- Symptomatic persons:
 - Negative PCR result: Employee quarantines at home until test results received and symptoms have subsided
 - Positive PCR result: Employee quarantines at home for 10 days and medically released to return to work
 - Contact tracing conducted
- Identified through Contact Trace:
 - Close contact is 15 minutes or more within 6 feet
 - Quarantine at home for minimum of ten days
 - PCR test administered five days after contact date
- Surveillance:
 - Required following an outbreak (3 or more positives within 14 days)
 - All employees at the worksite must test weekly until there are no positives for 14 days

Employee Notification Protocol

- Internal notification is made whenever an employee is sent for testing
 - Memo to all employees working in affected area
 - Communication to Union President
 - Text message sent to the 732 employees who have signed up to receive messages
 - Teams Alerts to union leaders, operations managers, Human Resources and Labor Relations
- Updated internal communications are sent when test results received
 - Both positive and negative results shared

Vaccine Readiness Plan

- BART Police are included in California's Phase 1B - Tier 1
- Transit workers are included in California's Phase 1B - Tier 2
- BART Internal Prioritization: Five tiers
 - 1) Customer facing frontline & OCC
 - 2) Frontline employees for whom social distancing is difficult
 - 3) Essential workers supporting Operations
 - 4) Support employees who cannot work from home
 - 5) Support staff who are working remotely
- BART has reached out to the counties and offered station parking lots and facilities for use as community vaccination sites
- BART has partnered with Alameda County in setting up MET Auditorium as vaccination site for Phase 1A healthcare workers during week of 1/19/21



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