#### RAILYARD ALTERNATIVES & 1-280 BOULEVARD (RAB) FEASIBILITY STUDY











#### RAB CITIZEN WORKING GROUP MEETING #4, DECEMBER 6TH, 2016

HELD AT: OLD FIRE STATION 30 COMMUNITY ROOM - 1275 THIRD ST, SAN FRANCISCO, CA | 6:00-8:00PM

## CITIZEN WORKING GROUP (CWG) MEETING AGENDA

- Meeting #3 Recap
- Ш. Goals for CWG Meeting #4
- III.A Look at Grade Separation:
  - 16th Street
  - Mission Bay Drive
- Review Technical Feasibility and Opportunities of Components IV.
- V. Discussion of Tradeoffs
- Next Steps: VI.
  - Meeting #5
  - Public Workshop

# I. MEETING #3 RECAP

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- Reviewed analysis and options for:
  - Component 3: Railyard Reconfiguration/Relocation
  - Component 4: Boulevard I-280
  - Component 5: Opportunities for Public Benefit
- Discussed component challenges and opportunities, which included the following takeaways (among others):
  - Ensure outcomes reflect San Francisco's (and the surrounding neighborhoods) sense of place and community
  - Opportunities for new housing and office space are appreciated, though there is a strong interest in housing over office space
  - Mobility issues in the area are a concern, including current traffic patterns and the need for better access
  - Boulevard I-280 component is on a different timeline (longer) than some the other components, questioned whether tying it to the Study was necessary

# II. GOALS FOR MEETING #4

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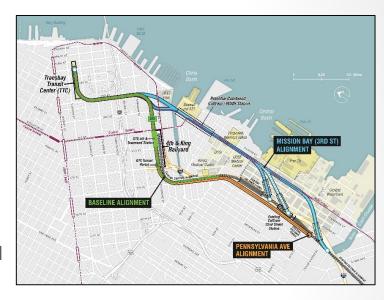
- Provide more information on the two grade-separated intersections (16th Street and Mission Bay Drive) with the Caltrain Tracks under the Baseline Alignment option.
- Review component and options feasibility, associated opportunities, and potential impacts
- Begin discussing tradeoffs for components and options
- Cover plan and timing for upcoming public workshop

## III. A LOOK AT GRADE SEPARATION

- 16TH STREET
- MISSION BAY DRIVE

#### A LOOK AT GRADE SEPARATION

- Considerations for Baseline Alignment Option:
  - Increased Caltrain & High Speed Rail operations would result in further delays at the existing at-grade crossings
  - Due to existence of I-280 above the Caltrain tracks, there is not sufficient room to go over the Caltrain tracks but under I-280
  - Streets would need to be trenched (depressed) under the Caltrain tracks to allow for better access through the area and address concerns about traffic delays due to gate-down time at the Caltrain at-grade crossings
  - Both 16th Street and Mission Bay Drive would need to be trenched



For both the Pennsylvania Avenue Alignment and the Mission Bay (3<sup>rd</sup> Street) Alignment the Caltrain/HSR tracks are relocated to a tunnel underground. 16<sup>th</sup> Street and Mission Bay Drive would remain where they are.

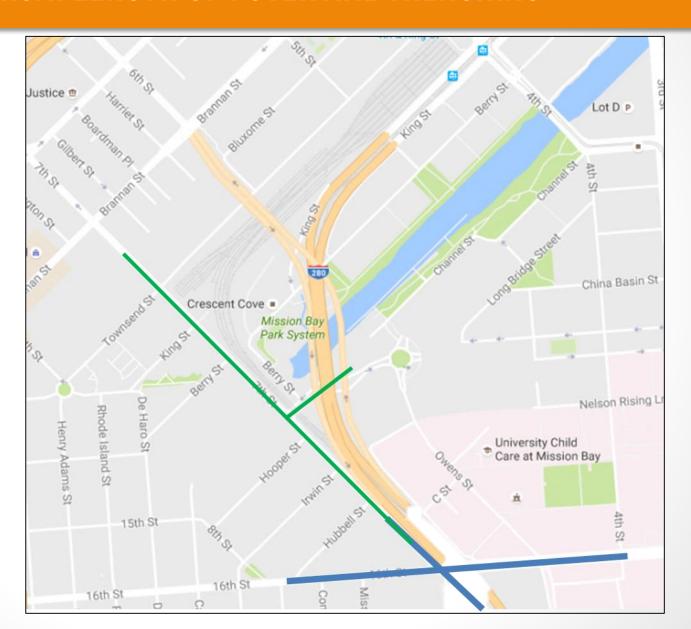
	# of Trains/peak hour/direction (total)	Approximate time of each closure	Total Closure Time/peak hour
Existing	5 (10)	60-100 seconds	<15 minutes
Caltrain after electrification (2022)	6 (12)	Same	<u>&lt;</u> 18 minutes
Caltrain + HSR (2025)	8 (16)	Likely slightly more	<24 minutes
Caltrain + HSR (2029)	10 (20)	Likely slightly more	≤30 minutes

#### GRADE SEPARATION OF 16<sup>TH</sup> STREET

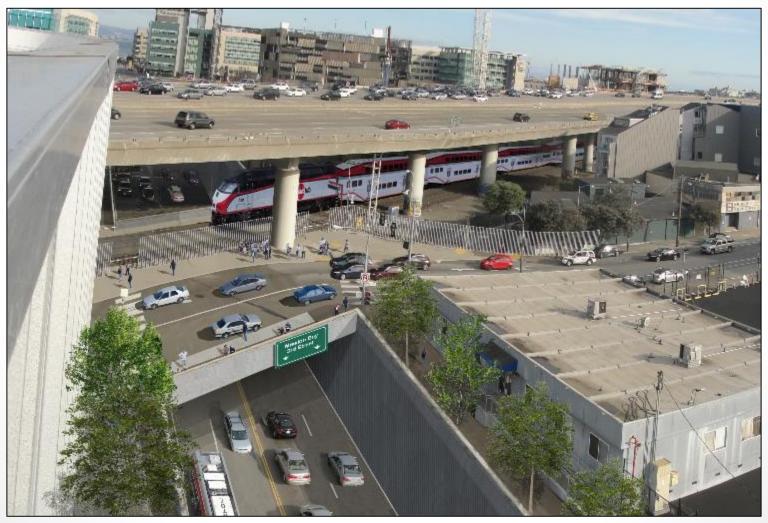
- Fire, life, and safety needs require 7<sup>th</sup> and Mississippi Streets to remain as a through streets providing access to the adjacent buildings
- 16th Street would be depressed 40 to 45 feet under 7th/Mississippi Streets, and the Caltrain tracks
- Presumed a 7% grade for streets
- Access along 16<sup>th</sup> Street to intersecting streets could be removed, including: Hubbell, Connecticut, Missouri, 7<sup>th</sup>/Mississippi, Owens, and 4<sup>th</sup> Street – for preliminary analysis and costing presumed these intersections were cul-de-sac'd
  - Connections to streets could be accommodated but at increased costs.
- Currently, plans for grade separation at 16<sup>th</sup> Street are unfunded and would require additional design, environmental clearance, and construction

#### APPROX. LENGTH OF POTENTIAL TRENCHING

16<sup>th</sup> Street Mission Bay Drive



## A LOOK AT GRADE SEPARATION: 16<sup>TH</sup> STREET

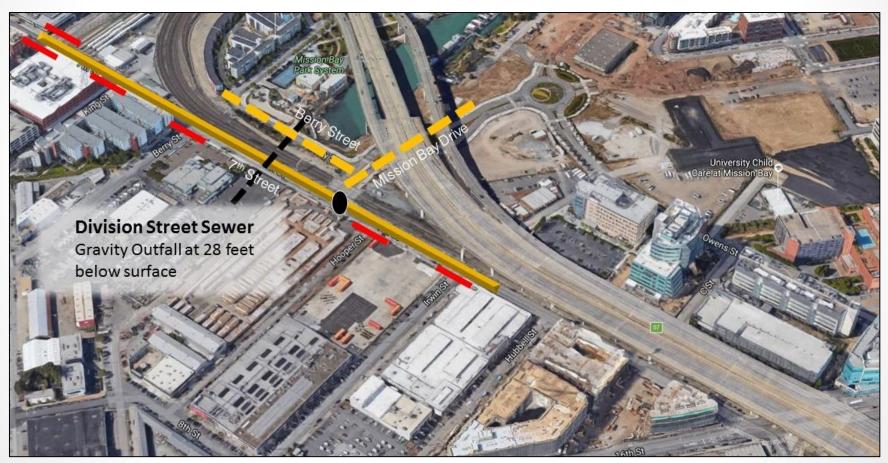


16TH STREET AT-GRADE SEPARATION

#### GRADE SEPARATION OF MISSION BAY DRIVE

- Utilities at Mission Bay Drive would require a depressed intersection of 50-feet from current location
- Presumed a 7% grade for streets
- Access along 7<sup>th</sup> Street to intersecting streets could be removed, including: Townsend, King, Berry, Hooper, Irwin and Hubbell – for preliminary analysis and costing, these intersections were presumed to be cul-de-sacs
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## **GRADE SEPARATION OF MISSION BAY DRIVE**



LENGTH OF POTENTIAL GRADE-SEPARATION OF MISSION BAY DRIVE

# IV. TECHNICAL FEASIBILITY AND OPPORTUNITIES

#### TECHNICAL FEASIBILITY AND OPPORTUNITIES

- The Study team has assessed the technical feasibility and opportunities associated with the Study components and options
  - Provides key information about each component and the options in a snapshot
  - Helps us to understand the potential tradeoffs between individual options and components
- Please see options matrix provided under separate cover

## V. DISCUSSION OF TRADEOFFS

#### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What combination of options best achieve your goals for the Study?
- Which components and options are less important to you?
- Which matrix items (columns) are most important to you?
- Which matrix items (columns) are you willing to compromise on?

## VI. NEXT STEPS

- MEETING #5
- PUBLIC WORKSHOP

#### **NEXT STEPS**

#### **NEXT CWG MEETING (CWG #5)**

- **Full Alternatives Discussion:** 
  - Includes benefits/impacts, schedule impacts, and costs
- Review Draft Public Meeting Materials
- CWG Meeting #5 (tentative) date: March 2, 2017

#### RAB PUBLIC WORKSHOP

- Review alignment options, opportunities and impacts
- Solicit public feedback on preferences and concerns
- Anticipated location: UCSF, the Genentech Auditorium and Atrium
- Public workshop (tentative) date: March 6, 2017

