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September 16, 2019

State of California
Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

**Subject: Notice of Determination for AC Transit East Bay Bus Rapid Transit Project,
Environmental Impact Report (2019 Amended NOD)**

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District, please receive and process the accompanying Notice of Determination for the referenced project. This document is an amendment to the original NOD filed in 2012, which was amended in 2014 and 2016. The 2019 NOD has been filed with the Alameda County Clerk and the requisite fees paid.

There is no discretionary action required by a state agency at this time. We are submitting the 2019 NOD nevertheless in keeping with the process followed previously on this project.

The AC Transit Board of Directors certified the project EIR on April 25, 2012 during a public hearing at the AC Transit Headquarters building. The Board approved a resolution on the recent changes to the project that are covered in the 2019 NOD. That resolution is also attached.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Katherine Green".

Katherine Green
916-706-1374

for

Ramakrishna Pochiraju, AC Transit Executive Director of Planning and Engineering
AC Transit
1600 Franklin Street
Oakland, CA 94612

cc. R. Pochiraju

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

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Notice of Determination

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To:

☐ Office of Planning and Research

U.S. Mail:

P.O. Box 3044

Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

Street Address:

1400 Tenth St., Rm 113

Sacramento, CA 95814

☐ County Clerk

County of: Alameda

Address: 1106 Madison Street

Oakland, CA 94607

From:

Public Agency: Alameda-Contra Costa Transit Dist.

Address: 1600 Franklin Street

Oakland, CA 94612

Contact: David Wilkins

Phone: 510-891-5427, dwilkins@actransit.org

Lead Agency (if different from above):

Address:

Contact:

Phone:

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2003052070 (original # issued April 2012)

Project Title: AC Transit East Bay Bus Rapid Transit Project in Alameda County

Project Applicant: Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District

Project Location (include county): Alameda County, cities of Oakland and San Leandro

Project Description:

The AC Transit Board approved the project on April 25, 2012. As stated in the original NOD filed April 2012, the project will provide high-level BRT service and related infrastructure along a 14.38-mile corridor connecting Berkeley-Oakland-San Leandro in Alameda County, subsequently modified to 9.5 miles from Downtown Oakland to the San Leandro BART Station. The 2014 and 2016 amendments to NOD reflected the addition of two BRT stations to project, relocation of several stations, design refinements, a BRT bus layover and operator rest facility in central Oakland, and other minor modifications. This NOD amendment reflects the relocation of the previously-proposed bus layover and operator rest facility (now referred to as the Northern Layover Facility) to a different part of central Oakland, along the west curb of San Pablo Avenue between West Grant Avenue and 20th Street, as well as changes to traffic controls including modification of a lane configuration and elimination of two traffic signals on segments of International Boulevard (SR-185), and elimination of a traffic signal on 12th Street.

This is to advise that the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District has approved the above
(☒ Lead Agency or ☐ Responsible Agency)

described project on September 11, 2019 and has made the following determinations regarding the above
(date)
described project.

1. The project [☐ will ☒ will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. ☒ An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
☐ A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures [☒ were ☐ were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [☒ was ☐ was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [☒ was ☐ was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [☒ were ☐ were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at:

Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District, 1600 Franklin Street, Oakland, CA 94612

Signature (Public Agency): P. KrishnaTitle: Executive DirectorDate: September 16, 2019Date Received for filing at OPR: Governor's Office of Planning & Research

Authority cited: Sections 21083, Public Resources Code.
Reference Section 21000-21174, Public Resources Code.

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**ALAMEDA-CONTRA COSTA TRANSIT DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 19-030**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE INFORMATION AND MODIFICATIONS IN THE
ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW FOR THE EAST BAY BUS RAPID TRANSIT PROJECT; AND
AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN AMENDED NOTICE OF DETERMINATION**

WHEREAS, worsening traffic congestion has resulted in delays to transit and declining system reliability in communities throughout the Berkeley-Oakland-San Leandro corridor; and

WHEREAS, the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District ("the District") undertook a Major Investment Study to address these problems; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, the District and the cities of Berkeley, Oakland and San Leandro selected Bus Rapid Transit as the Locally Preferred Alternative to address long-term solutions that will accommodate future growth in travel; and

WHEREAS, in 2004, the District and the cities of Berkeley, Oakland and San Leandro selected detailed alternatives for study in the Draft Environmental Impact Study/Report; and

WHEREAS, in 2007, the District released the Draft Environmental Impact Study/Report and solicited public review and comments on the impacts and findings; and

WHEREAS, in April and May 2010, the cities of Berkeley, Oakland and San Leandro advised the District of their recommended Individual Local Preferred Alternatives selected through their city processes; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors selected two alternatives to be considered in the Final Environmental Impact Statement/Report: 1) the Full Alternative with a build investment that runs from Downtown Berkeley through Downtown Oakland to the San Leandro BART station; and 2) the Downtown Oakland-San Leandro Alternative with a build investment from Downtown Oakland to the San Leandro BART station; and

WHEREAS, the Final Environmental Statement/Environmental Impact Report (FEIS/R) was prepared consistent with requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act and the California Environmental Quality Act and their implementing regulations; and

WHEREAS, on February 3, 2012, the District released the Final Environmental Impact Study/Report and conducted seven associated public outreach meetings within the affected cities; and

WHEREAS, on April 25, 2012, the Board of Directors held public hearings at 2:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit General Offices located 1600 Franklin Street on the Final Environmental Impact Report for the East Bay Bus Rapid Transit Project and selection of a Locally Preferred Alternative for the Project; and

WHEREAS, on April 25, 2012, the Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 12-018 certifying the Final Environmental Impact Report for the East Bay Bus Rapid Transit Project; selecting the Downtown Oakland-San Leandro alternative as the Locally Preferred Alternative for the Project; and

WHEREAS, on April 23, 2014, the Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 14-018 approving the changes to the Locally Preferred Alternative for the East Bay Bus Rapid Transit Project as described in the environmental Re-evaluation (Section 130(c)) Report for the East Bay Bus Rapid Transit Project; and

WHEREAS, on January 27, 2016, the Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 16-006 approving the changes to the Locally Preferred Alternative for the East Bay Bus Rapid Transit Project as described in the environmental Re-evaluation (Section 130(c)) Report for the East Bay Bus Rapid Transit Project

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District does resolve as follows:

Section 1. The Board has received, reviewed and considered the information in the letter from Rincon and Associates dated July 23, 2019 regarding the "East Bay Bus Rapid Transit Northern Layover- Next Steps Under CEQA".

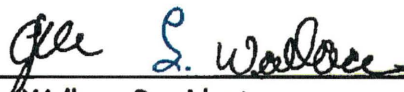
The Board has received, reviewed and considered the information contained in Staff Report 12-083d regarding striping changes, signal elimination design changes after publication of FEIS/R, certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report, and the Federal Transit Administration issuance of the Record of Decision.

Section 2. Staff Report 12-083d and the 2019 Environmental Review describing the latest project modifications are hereby approved and incorporated into the record by reference.

Section 3. The General Manager, or his designee, is authorized to file an amended Notice of Determination with the Alameda County Clerk and the Governor's Office of Planning and Research, State Clearinghouse, and to pay related filing fees for the above actions taken under this Resolution.

Section 4. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage by four affirmative votes of the Board of Directors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 11th day of September 2019.



Joe Wallace, President

Attest:



Linda A. Nemeroff, District Secretary

I, Linda A. Nemeroff, District Secretary for the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on the 11th day of September, 2019, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: VICE PRESIDENT ORTIZ, DIRECTORS WILLIAMS, HARPER, SHAW, YOUNG, PEEPLES, PRESIDENT WALLACE

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE


Linda A. Nemeroff, District Secretary

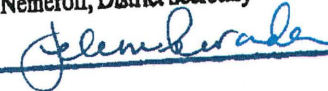
Approved as to Form and Content:



Denise C. Standridge, General Counsel

I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 19-030 adopted by the Board of Directors of the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District on September 11, 20 19

Linda Nemeroff, District Secretary

By 

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

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1. The Board of Directors of the
2. Company has approved the
3. following resolution:
4. Resolved, that the Board of Directors
5. authorize the President of the Company
6. to execute and deliver such documents
7. as may be necessary to carry out the
8. intent and purpose of this resolution.
9. Witness my hand and seal this 1st day of
10. January, 1964.
11. By _____