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**NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA
BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force (BBATF)**

February 3, 2025
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

BBATF Members: Jon Spangler (Chairperson), Jeremiah Maller (Vice Chair), Tyler Morris (Secretary), Maya Chaffee, Morris Gevirtz, Phoenix Mangrum.

Chairperson Jon Spangler has called a meeting of the BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force on February 3, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. Public participation for this meeting will be via teleconference only. Presentation materials will be available via Legistar at <https://bart.legistar.com>

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AGENDA

1.	Self-Introductions of Members, Staff, and Guests (Information)	5	min.
2.	General Discussion and Public Comment (Information)	5	min.
3.	Approval of December 2024 BBATF Minutes (Action)	5	min.
4.	BBATF Membership Update (Information)	10	min.
5.	Approval of BBATF Member Applications. (Information/Action) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Michael Sacks, San Francisco County• Jenn Koscielniak, Contra Costa County• Elena O'Curry	15	min.
6.	Election of 2025 BBATF Officers (Discussion/Action)	20	min.
7.	BART Bicycle Preferred Path of Travel Capital Plan Update (Information)	10	min.
8.	Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Pathway Update (Discussion/Action)	10	min.
9.	Coliseum Station Secure Bike Parking (Information)	10	min.
10.	BART Next Generation Fare Gates—Proposed letter to BART Board of Directors on BBATF concerns with the new faregates (Discussion/Action)	15	min.
11.	BART Bike Program Updates (Information)	10	min.
12.	Future Agenda Items (Discussion)	5	min.
	TOTAL:	120	min.

Minutes of the BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force (BBATF)
December 2, 2024 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

BBATF Members: Jon Spangler (Chairperson), Jeremiah Maller (Vice Chair), Tyler Morris (Secretary), Maya Chaffee, Rick Goldman, Marc Hedlund, Phoenix Mangrum, Francisco Muñoz, Natalie Makhijani, Morris Gevirtz, Estrella Sainburg

Meeting called to order by Chair Jon Spangler at 6:03pm

Members in attendance:

Jon Spangler, Tyler Morris, Maya Chaffee, Rick Goldman, Phoenix Mangrum, Morris Gevirtz, Estrella Sainburg

BART Director: Robert Raburn

BART Liaison: Heath Maddox

Guests: Elena O'Curry, Franz Kieviet, Jenn Koscielniack, Kamala Parks, Bryan Culbertson

Absent: Jeremiah Maller, Francisco Muñoz, Natalie Makhijani

Agenda with minutes follows as is:

1. 6:04pm Self-Introductions of Members, Staff, and Guests: All. (For Information) 5min.
 1. Members introduced themselves
2. 6:11pm General Discussion and Public Comment: Jon Spangler. (For Information) 5min.
 1. Elena described her challenges of fitting newer cargo bikes into bike lockers at the West Oakland station, and how BART elevators are too small
 2. Tyler mentioned that the SF voters made The Great Highway car free in the November elections
 3. Eric discussed how he would like to see more compromised BART space sharing between bicycles, ADA accessibility, and overall riders
 1. Eric supports bike share, and would like to see bike share increase
3. 6:21pm Approval of August and October 2024 BBATF Minutes: Jon Spangler. (For action) 5min.
 1. Phoenix motioned to approve the August minutes and Rick seconded the motion.
 2. Motion approved unanimously.
 3. Phoenix motioned to approve the October minutes and Rick seconded the motion.
 4. Motion approved unanimously.
4. 6:23pm Safe Trips To BART: Kamala Parks, BART Station Planning. (For information & discussion) 30min.
 1. Kamala introduced herself and the presentation
 2. This is different from SAFE ROADS to BART which is a grant program
 3. Funded by US DOT
 4. Project goals: work towards eliminating fatal and severe injury roadway crashes
 5. Project is at the "Focus Station Area Action Plan Outreach" phase
 6. 4 main components to this project
 1. Demonstrate transit's crucial role in Vision Zero
 2. Identify high injury networks

3. Provide a tool kit of countermeasures to high injury networks
4. 7 station action plan
7. Rail transit is safer than vehicle travel (18x safer)
8. Roadways parallel to BART are less-safe than rest of the network
9. BART High Injury Network doesn't override local networks
10. 508 miles or roadway in the Catchment Analysis
11. 76% of killed or high injury incidents occur on 18% of catchment roads
12. A station for each county is included in the station list
 1. Richmond, Concord, Hayward, Coliseum, Balboa Park, Colma, Milpitas
13. Estrella asked how the data from all stations will be shared and decimated to stake holders
 1. Kamala acknowledged that some municipalities have said they don't have the financial capacity to effect suggested changes
 2. Estrella suggested pairing up a Task Force member with each station
14. Morris asked how public the data used in the project is
 1. Kamala said the data is public
15. Maya asked how the specific countermeasures will be decided
16. Jon asked what legislatively could be done to manage speeds within "x" amount of space within these identified roadways
5. 7:15pm BART Next Generation Fare Gates—Proposed letter to BART Board on BBATF concerns with the new faregates: Jon Spangler. (For action) 20min.
 1. Jon has tabled this item until a presentation can be sent to the BART Board
6. 7:16pm BART Bicycle Preferred Path of Travel Capital Plan Update: Heath Maddox, BART Customer Access & Accessibility. (For discussion and potential action) 15min.
 1. Heath introduced the last segment of the project
 2. This segment brings the final cost analysis for implementation
 3. Maya asked if the 30% contingency is on top of the quoted amount or separated from the quoted construction cost
 4. Morris asked about the \$250,000 CCTV cost estimate
7. 7:30pm Annual BART System-wide Bike Parking Occupancy Counts: Heath Maddox, BART Customer Access & Accessibility. (For information) 15min.
 1. Heath shares an overview of the updated bike parking data
 2. Downtown Berkeley outperforms all other stations
8. 7:53pm BART Bike Program Updates: Heath Maddox, BART Customer Access & Accessibility. (For information) 20min.
 1. Heath consolidated the information into agenda item 7
9. 7:54pm Future Agenda Items: All. (For Discussion) 5min.
 1. Task Force recruitment
 2. Officer elections
 3. Increase BART Director attendance
 4. Task Force Goals for the year

Meeting adjourned at 8:13p.m. by Chairperson Jon Spangler
 Next meeting is called for by Chairperson Jon Spangler on February 3rd, 2025 at 6:00p.m.

BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force Roster
January, 2025

County	Member Name	Term Expiration	Office
SF	Tyler Morriss	Dec-26	Secretary
SF	VACANT		
SF	Maya Chaffee	Dec-25	
AL	Phoenix Magnum	Dec-26	
AL	Jon Spangler	Dec-24	Chair
AL	VACANT		
CC	Morris Gevirtz	Dec-26	
CC	VACANT		
CC	VACANT		
SM	VACANT		
SM	VACANT		
SM	VACANT		
SC	VACANT		
SC	VACANT		
SC	Jeremiah Maller	Dec-25	Vice Chair
At-large	VACANT		
At-large	VACANT		
At-large	VACANT		

BAC 2024	BAO 2025
1-SF-Tyler Morris	2-SF-Tyler Morris
3-SF-VACANT	1-SF-Michael Sacks
2-SF-Maya Chaffee	3-SF-Maya Chaffee
1-AL-Phoenix Mangrum	2-AL-Phoenix Mangrum
3-AL-Jon Spangler	1-AL-Jon Spangler
2-AL-Estrella Sainburg	3-AL-Elena O'Curry
1-CC-Bill Pinkham	2-CC-Morris Gevirtz
3-CC-VACANT	1-CC-Jenn Kocielniak
2-CC-VACANT	3-CC-VACANT
1-SM-VACANT	2-SM-VACANT
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2-SM-VACANT	3-SM-VACANT
1-SC-VACANT	2-SC-VACANT
3-SC-Francisco Munoz	1-SF-VACANT
2-SC-Jeremiah Maller	3-SC-Jeremiah Maller
1-ALG-Marc Hedlund	2-ALG-VACANT
3-ALG-Rick Goldman	1-ALG-VACANT
2-ALG-Natalie Makhijani	3-ALG-VACANT

SF = San Francisco
 AL = Alameda
 CC = Contra Costa
 SM = San Mateo
 SC = Santa Clara

BAO = bicycle advocacy organization
 BAC = bicycle advisory committee

OCCUPIED
VACANT
PENDING
NEEDS RENOMINATION

Michael Sacks

BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force Membership Application

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Please email application to:

Heath Maddox
BART Bike Program Manager
hmaddox@bart.gov
415-728-1352

(1) How frequently do use BART or other public transit?

- 5 days a week or more A couple times a month
 1-4 days a week Once a month or less

(2) How often do you use a bicycle to get to and from BART or other public transit?

- Always Occasionally
 Most of the time Never

(3) How often do you use a bicycle to commute to work or for daily transportation?

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 Most of the time Never

(4) What motivates you to want to serve on the BBATF?

I've participated in some BBATF meetings and I find them interesting, informative, and impactful. I enjoy seeing our ideas, comments, and concerns be taken into consideration and output real results. I believe that bicycling and BART are a powerful couple. When pairing public transit with last mile transportation, we can build a healthy public transit system and bike network. Investing into public transit helps the bicyclist experience and vice versa. Making the bicycle on BART experience better has knock on effects for all.

(5) What perspectives, skills, or experiences you would bring to the BBATF?

I am a public transit and bicycle commuter. I've spent years moving around the bay area by bike and public transit. I have been thinking about ways to improve these experiences for years. Furthermore, I'm an active member of San Francisco Transit Riders and I have experience volunteering with SFBC in their bike valet.

(6) Are you involved with any organizations or advisory boards related to public transit or bicycling?

- No, but my enthusiasm and fresh perspective are just what the BBATF needs
 Yes, please describe:
SFTR, SDBC, CalBike, CalWalks, Walk SF

(7) Could you commit to attending most or all of the BBATF's 6 meetings each year?

Yes No

Not sure: _____

(8) How did you hear about the BBATF?

I don't recall

(9) What questions do you have about the role of the BBATF or being a BBATF member?

What is the longterm vision for BBATF?

(10) Your information:

Michael Sacks _____

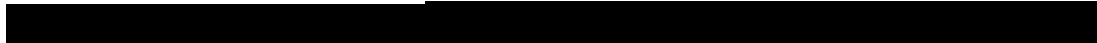
Name

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County of Residence

San Francisco _____

County of Employment



Email and/or phone

From: [Christopher White](#)
To: [Heath Maddox](#)
Cc: [Michael Sacks](#)
Subject: Re: FW: BART Bike Task Force
Date: Thursday, February 29, 2024 11:10:58 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

We're happy to nominate Michael Sacks for the BART BATF.

Thanks Heath!
Good luck, Michael! Let me know if you'd like to connect.

Christopher White
Interim Executive Director
[REDACTED] christopher@sfbike.org
Pronouns: he, him, his

[San Francisco Bicycle Coalition](#)
Promoting the Bicycle for Everyday Transportation
[1720 Market St.](#)
[San Francisco, CA 94102](#)


On Thu, Feb 29, 2024 at 10:55 AM Heath Maddox <hmaddox@bart.gov> wrote:

Hi Christopher,

Attached is an application to the BBATF by Michael Sacks, an SF resident and safe street advocate who has been attending the Task Force meetings with some regularity as a guest.

Would you be so kind as to review his application and consider nominating him to represent the City and County of SF on the BBATF?

Thanks!

Heath Maddox
Manager of Bicycle Access Programs
Bay Area Rapid Transit District
2150 Webster Street, 8th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612
415.728.1352



From: Michael Sacks [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, February 29, 2024 5:27 AM
To: Jon Spangler [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: BART Bike Task Force

Heath,

BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force Membership Application

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The opportunity to support a positive collaboration between bicycles and BART is my motivation.

Improving how we as bicycle commuters and BART commuters work together to support how public transportation can provide safe, environmentally driven ways to commute in the Bay Area.

(5) What perspectives, skills, or experiences you would bring to the BBATF?

I have years of experience as a bicycle commuter and a cycling enthusiast as well as years of experience as a public transportation commuter. I have lived and worked in several areas of the Bay Area and use BART to commute. I am aware of different commuter demographics that BART supports. Outside of my commuting experience, I am deeply involved in my community as the Secretary of the East Shore Neighborhood Council in Richmond.

(6) Are you involved with any organizations or advisory boards related to public transit or bicycling?

- No, but my enthusiasm and fresh perspective are just what the BBATF needs
 Yes, please describe:

I am the CEO of Bad Business Model Bikes. We receive donated bikes; we repair them and then donate them to people who need transportation. Most people we serve are BART commuters who need a bike to ride to and from BART.

(7) Could you commit to attending most or all of the BBATF's 6 meetings each year?

Yes No

Not sure: _____

(8) How did you hear about the BBATF?

I saw a post through Bike East Bay.

(9) What questions do you have about the role of the BBATF or being a BBATF member?

What is the 2025 vision for improving BART ridership among bicycle commuters, how will we as a BBATF member support that vision?

(10) Your information:

Jennifer Koscielniak

Name

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Email and/or phone

From: [Heath Maddox](#)
To: "Robert Prinz"
Cc: [Jenn Koscielniak](#); [Jon Spangler](#)
Subject: RE: FW: BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force Membership Application
Date: Tuesday, December 17, 2024 4:42:00 PM

Hi Robert,

No worries and thanks very much for both Jenn's nomination and for prompting Erin Bright, much appreciated!

-Heath

From: Robert Prinz <robert@bikeeastbay.org>
Sent: Tuesday, December 17, 2024 3:49 PM
To: Heath Maddox <hmaddox@bart.gov>
Subject: Re: FW: BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force Membership Application

Hi Heath,

Sorry for the very delayed response, but I am very pleased to give Jenn Koscielniak the endorsement of Bike East Bay for participation on the BART Bike Advisory Task Force. Jenn is a great local asset as the operator of [Bad Business Model Bikes](#), a community shop that fixes up and re-donates used bikes for free to folks in need.

Heads up that I heard from another Contra Costa resident, Erin Bright, who has also expressed interest. I believe that multiple Contra Costa seats are open, so I asked Erin to also attend a meeting then send in the application. So be on the lookout for that one as well!

Thanks,



Robert Prinz | Advocacy Director

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On Wed, Dec 4, 2024 at 12:46 PM Heath Maddox <hmaddox@bart.gov> wrote:

Elena O'Curry

BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force Membership Application

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The combination of bike+BART has been my primary commute mode for a number of years; while I have found ways to make it work regardless of my bike type and destination, there have often been challenges due to station architecture, bike storage options and transit infrastructure around stations. I'd love to help BART brainstorm and prioritize the most impactful improvements to make it easier for everyone to move effortlessly around our region without a car.

(5) What perspectives, skills, or experiences you would bring to the BBATF?

I am a user researcher by profession, with 15+ years designing surveys and other research programs to understand how people make decisions, navigate their environments and plan for the future. From 2017-2020 I was the head of Safety & Privacy UX Research for Uber, where I developed a strong appreciation for the enormous set of tradeoffs around convenience, safety, and finances that everyone must make on a daily basis to move about their world.

On a personal level, I am the mother of a toddler trying to navigate potholes, disconnected bike lanes and sideshows as we bike around West Oakland for fun and transportation.

(6) Are you involved with any organizations or advisory boards related to public transit or bicycling?

No, but my enthusiasm and fresh perspective are just what the BBATF needs

Yes, please describe:

(7) Could you commit to attending most or all of the BBATF's 6 meetings each year?

Yes No

Not sure: _____

(8) How did you hear about the BBATF?

Bluesky mention from Bike East Bay in response to a gripe about cargo bike parking

(9) What questions do you have about the role of the BBATF or being a BBATF member?

Already answered via email!

(10) Your information:

Elena O'Curry

Name

Alameda

County of Residence

San Francisco

County of Employment

ec [REDACTED]

Email and/or phone

From: [Robert Prinz](#)
To: [Heath Maddox](#)
Cc: [Elena O'Curry](#); [Jon Spangler](#)
Subject: Re: BBATF nomination: Elena O'Curry
Date: Tuesday, January 21, 2025 11:26:31 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Thank you for the reminder Heath.

I am happy to confirm that we are nominating Elena O'Curry as an Alameda County representative to the BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force, whose knowledge and experience described in the application will be a great addition to the group.

Elena, feel free to follow up with me directly if you would like to check in on anything BART related, or West Oakland, or anything bike-related throughout the East Bay.

We are also re-nominating Jon Spangler as a returning Alameda County representative to the BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force.

Heath, can you let me know how many more Alameda County and Contra Costa County vacancies there are on the BBATF currently, if any?

Thanks,



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[RSVP to join us](#) on February 12 from 5:30-7:00pm! We're gathering at Sports Basement Berkeley for free pizza, drinks, and good company. We'll also be voting in our 2025 Board of Directors. You must be a Bike East Bay member to join this event: [join or renew here!](#)

On Tue, Jan 21, 2025 at 11:05 AM Heath Maddox <hmaddox@bart.gov> wrote:

Hi Robert, I'm putting together my agenda packet right now for the BBATF, and hoping you can provide (by EOD today) a nomination for Elena O'Curry (application attached) and a re-nomination for chair Jon Spangler, whose 3-year term is expiring.

Thanks very much!

From: [Heath Maddox](#)
To: [Heath Maddox](#)
Subject: Fwd: RSR Bridge Path - Jan 2025 update
Date: Friday, January 10, 2025 3:06:09 PM

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From: **Warren Wells** <warren@marinbike.org>
Date: Fri, Jan 10, 2025 at 2:42 PM
Subject: RSR Bridge Path - Jan 2025 update
To: <rsrbridge@marinbike.org>

Hi all,

I'm going to be posting a piece to the MCBC blog shortly but I'm sending it out to this list first. Short story is that there will be meetings about the bridge path on 1/16 (next Thursday!) and 3/6. See the text from the post below and lmk if you have any questions!

After months of waiting, we finally have details about when the future of the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge path will be decided. Two meetings, on January 16th and March 6, will be the times to speak up for the path.

Background

In early 2024, we learned that the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and Caltrans were proposing to reduce access for people riding and walking across the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge to just Fridays and weekends. MTC/Caltrans' proposal would return the bridge to its prior state, two westbound lanes and a shoulder, every Monday through Thursday. The multiuse pathway, which has been open 24/7 to this point, has served over 400,000 biking or walking trips, roughly 40% of which have taken place during a time that the path is proposed to be closed.

While MTC has committed to a shuttle in the near term, questions remain about what types of bikes can be accommodated and how long such a shuttle will be in operation (a shuttle that used to operate on this route in the early 2000s was discontinued due to low use).

MCBC and our partners at Bike East Bay, Rich City Rides, and the Trails for Richmond Action Committee (TRAC) have firmly pushed back against this proposal. [Click here to read our arguments against it](#), which was first outlined in summer of 2024.

To date, three East Bay cities (Richmond, Albany, and Berkeley) have passed formal resolutions in favor of a 24/7 pathway, as well as the West Contra Costa Transportation Commission (WCCTC). Over 3,000 individuals have signed a petition supporting a 24/7 pathway, and over 70+ environmental and advocacy orgs from across the Bay have [joined our letter](#).

The schedule going forward

The ultimate decision on the fate of the pathway lies in the hands of an agency called the Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC). There will be two upcoming meetings where they will consider MTC's proposal:

- Thursday, January 16th, 1 PM: Board "workshop" to review the proposal and ask questions of staff. No decision will be made at this date.
- Thursday, March 6th, 1 PM: Final board decision on whether to approve MTC's proposal.

How to support the pathway

1. Sign the petition (if you haven't already) on the Bike East Bay website, [found here](#).
- 2.

If you represent a group and want to add that group's name and logo to the letter, email Robert Prinz at robert@bikeeastbay.org.

3. Provide public comment at one of both of the upcoming meetings. If you have to pick one, the March 6th meeting will be more important. But comments on 1/16 are welcome. You can attend in person ([375 Beale St. San Francisco](#), Yerba Buena Room) or give comment via phone or on Zoom (link for [1/16 meeting](#) and [3/6 meeting](#)). Note that remote comment may get cut off depending on attendance.

What to say

Here are some things to consider when writing your comment:

- Keep it brief. For spoken comments, the less time each person speaks, the more people will get to comment.
- Make it personal. Talk about how the RSR Bridge path has changed your travel habits, particularly if you've taken a job you wouldn't have or bought an e-bike to ride over the bridge
- Stay polite. As frustrating as this may be, do not be rude in your comments and instead focus on the benefits of what we have now or the consequences of changing it.

If there is one thing we should leave you with, it is that this decision is *very* much still up in the air. Your voice, and the voices from the bicycling community, have the power to maintain this critical pathway if we speak up for it.

If you have any questions, please reach out.



Warren J. Wells, AICP
Policy and Planning Director
Marin County Bicycle Coalition
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For more options, visit <https://groups.google.com/a/marinbike.org/d/optout>.

BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force

January 16, 2025

TO: Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC)
Metro Center
375 Beale Street, Board Room
San Francisco, CA 94105

FROM: BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force

RE: Oppose Proposed Closure of Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Bicycle Path
(BCDC Board, January 16 - Item 8 - RSR Bridge Permit Workshop)

The BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force (BBATF) strongly opposes MTC's proposal to replace the multi-use path on the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge (RSR Bridge) with a westbound breakdown lane/shoulder. Instead, the BBATF urges the BCDC Board to:

- 1) *Not issue any permits that restrict bike and pedestrian access to the existing path;*
- 2) *Support a permanent RSR Bridge multi-use path that is open all day, every day (24/7/365) to walkers, bicyclists, and others;*
- 3) *Extend the RSR Bridge Multi-use Path Pilot Project until more sustainable congestion solutions are found.*

The Metropolitan Transportation Committee (MTC) has proposed replacing the RSR Bridge multi-use path with a westbound breakdown lane/shoulder lane every Monday through Thursday. *This leaves people who walk or ride bicycles without a safe and direct path between Marin County and the East Bay for four work days every week.* This is discriminatory.

Closing or restricting the path also runs counter to MTC's and BCDC's goals and policies to foster clean, green, and equitable transportation, particularly:

- BCDC Transportation Policies 1 and 4
- BCDC Public Access Policies 2, 5, and 8

The MTC and CalTrans proposal is auto-centric, inappropriate, and does not accurately respond to the data gathered during the pilot project (2019-2024):

- 1) The two-way bike-pedestrian path and associated bridge changes have not significantly affected traffic congestion, collision rates, or incident-related delays, per the After Study for the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge, Phase I, Section 10.5 (2022) in Appendix B;

- 2) Thousands of bicyclists and pedestrians have crossed the RSR Bridge on both recreational and commute trips since the path opened in 2019 — far more than the number of people who used the infrequent and inadequate bike shuttle and buses that ran prior to the pilot project;
- 3) Restricting sustainable commute options such as walking and bicycling will drastically reduce carbon-free weekday transit options across the bridge, increasing both automotive pollution and greenhouse gas production;
- 4) Without costly, significant improvements to Marin County roadways that connect to the RSR Bridge, auto congestion — fueled by single-occupancy vehicles — will only increase, no matter how many westbound lanes are available on the bridge itself.

MTC's push to close the multi-use path during the work week seems to be driven by vocal claims from motorists and business groups. These claims, however, are not supported by the available traffic data from the Pilot Project and more sustainable solutions are available, such as building more affordable workforce housing close to jobs in Marin County.

Bicyclists, pedestrians, and users of e-bikes, scooters, wheelchairs, and other mobility devices need and deserve the 24/7/365 access to San Francisco Bay and the connectivity offered by the RSR Bridge multi-use path. The path should remain open permanently and BCDC should not issue permits to MTC and CalTrans that restrict access to the multi-use path.

Please support sustainable Bay access and the RSR Bridge's direct connection between Marin County, the East Bay, and BART for everyone. **Please do not issue permits to remove or restrict 24/7/365 access to the RSR Bridge bike and pedestrian path.**

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Jon

Jon Spangler, Chair
BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force
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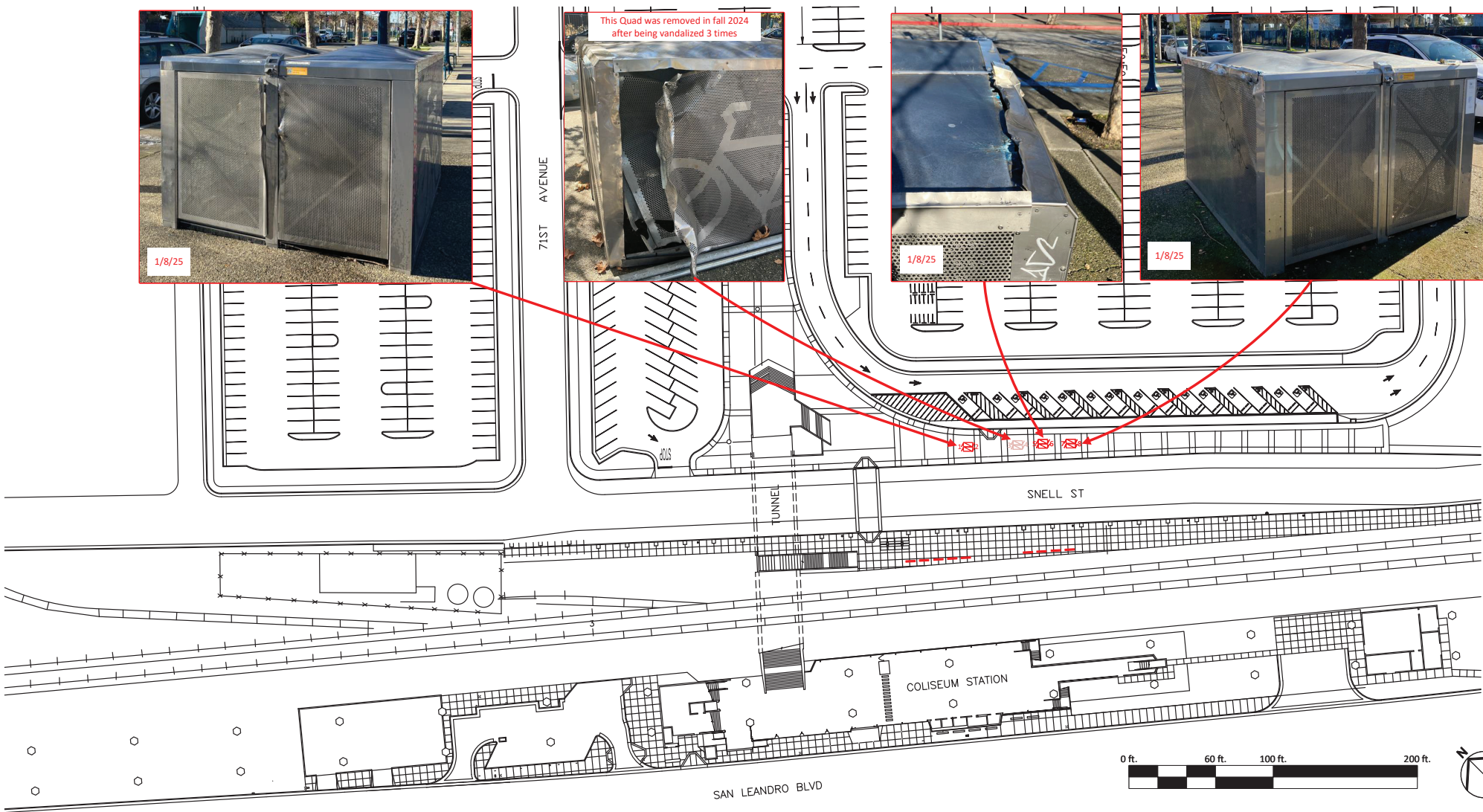
COLISEUM STATION

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PATRON PARKING - WEST

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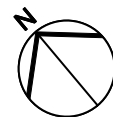
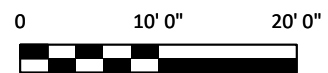
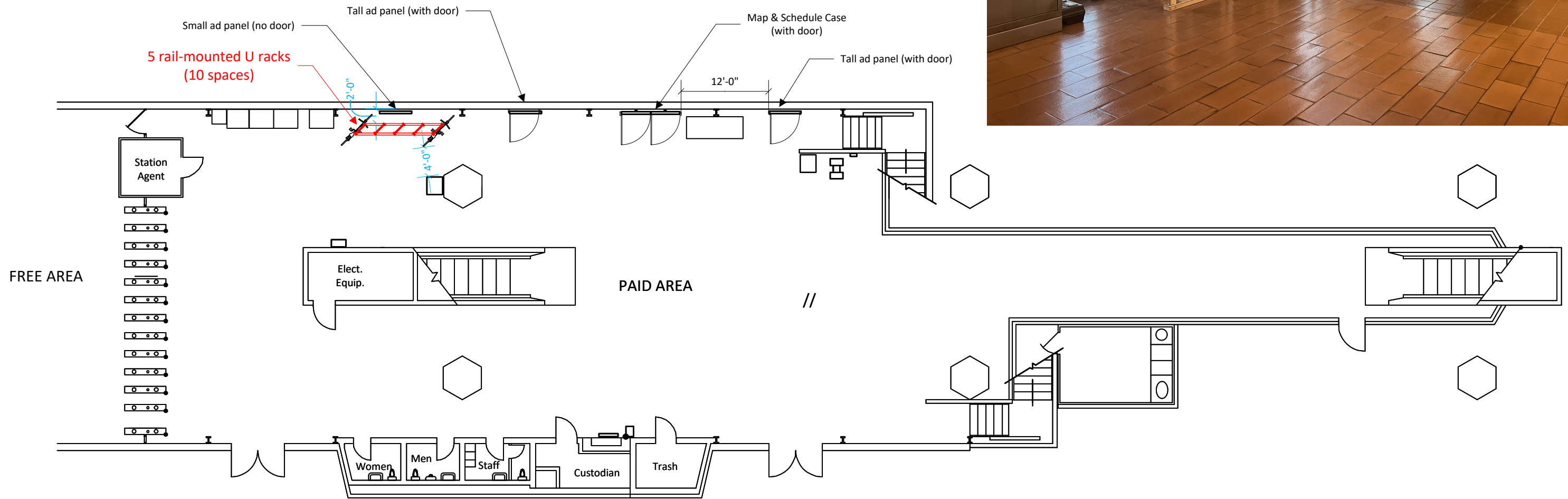
Coliseum Locker Damage 2024-2025



**COLISEUM STATION
A LINE - STATION A30
FLOOR PLANS**

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CONCOURSE LEVEL PLAN



6. Will there be a need for any signage for this project? Yes No
To the greatest extent practicable, signs in English should be accompanied with either translations or pictograms that permit universal language access.

7. Will BART riders and/or the community be impacted by this project? Yes No
 If yes, how will they be affected?

8. Do you anticipate any public participation for this project? Yes No

9. Are you planning any changes to current station amenities for this project? Yes No
 If yes, what are they?

Please email the completed form to TitleVIOCR@bart.gov.
 If you have any questions, please contact Javieree PruittHill at JPruit2@bart.gov.

Section below to be completed by Title VI Team

Recommended Title VI Processes

Equity Analysis (Service or Fare) Yes No

Public Participation Yes No

Language Assistance Measures Yes No

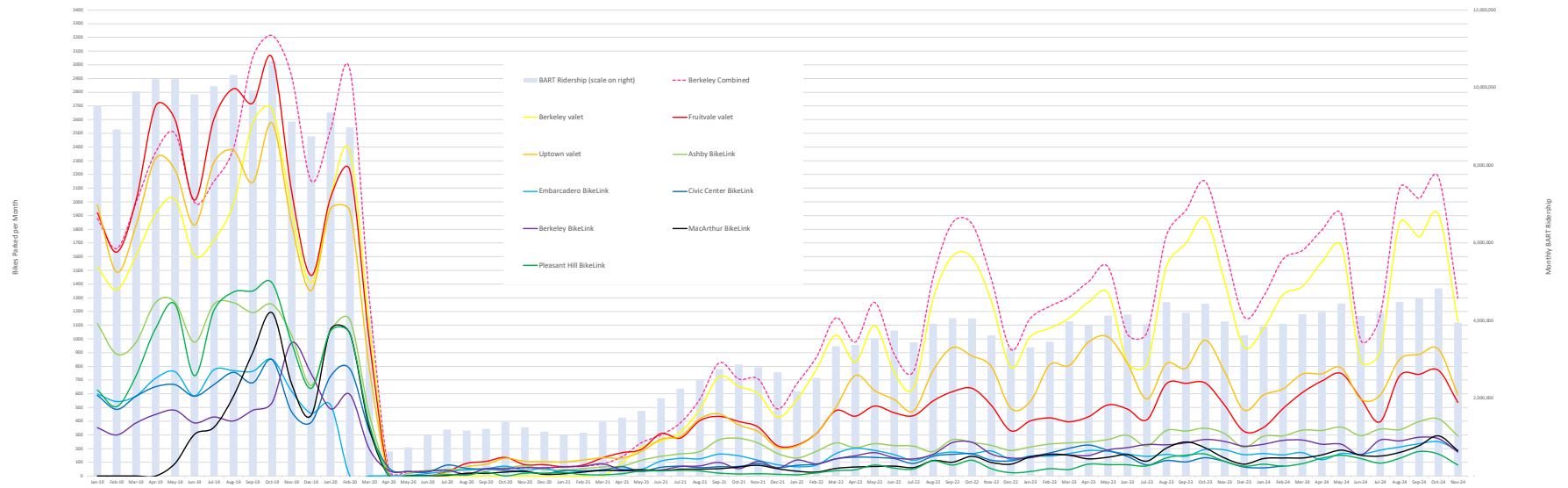
If yes, what are they?

Other Comments

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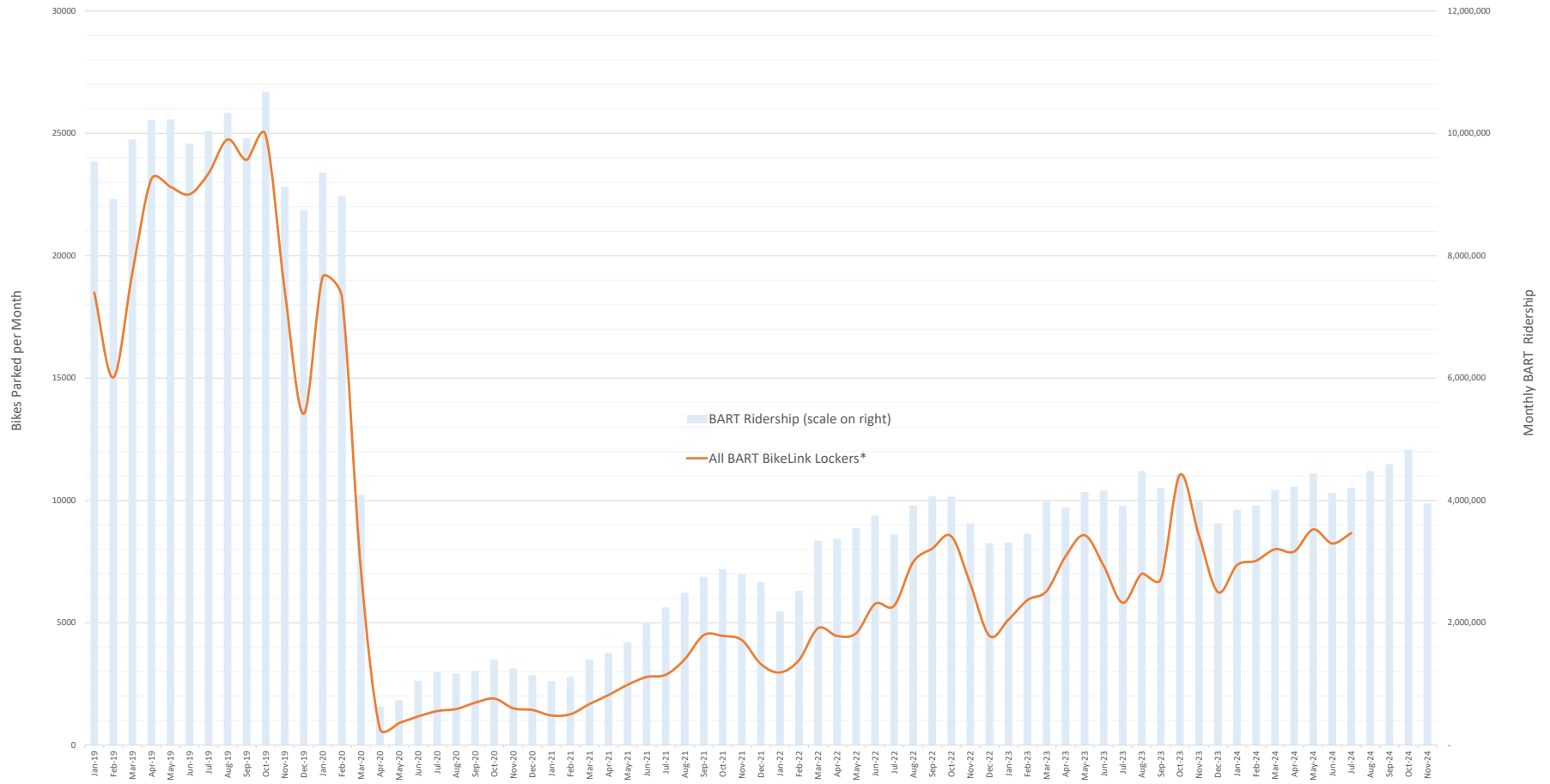


Monthly Volumes at BART Bike Stations & BART Ridership Jan 2019-Nov 2024



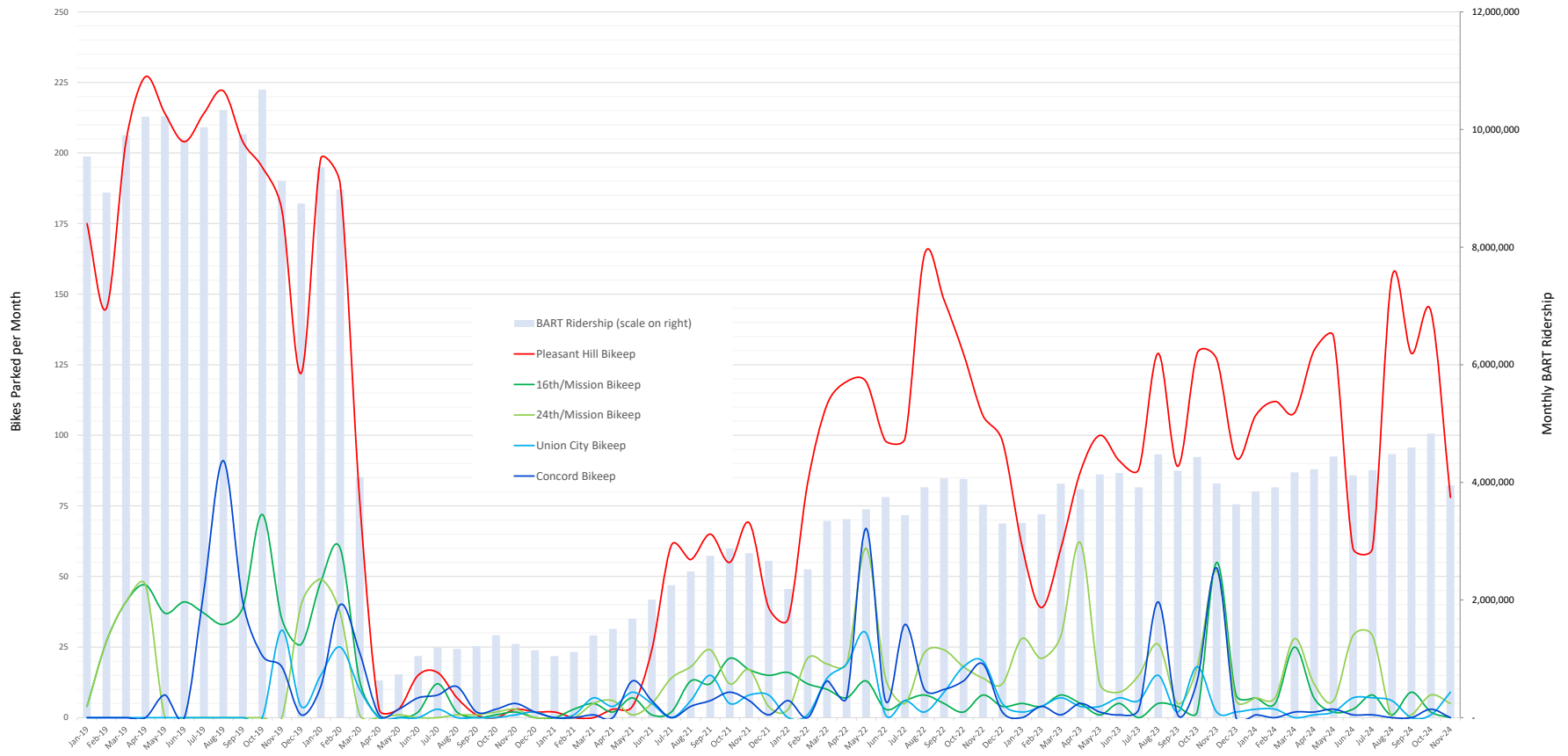


Monthly Rentals at BikeLink Bike Lockers vs. BART Ridership Jan 2019-Nov 2024



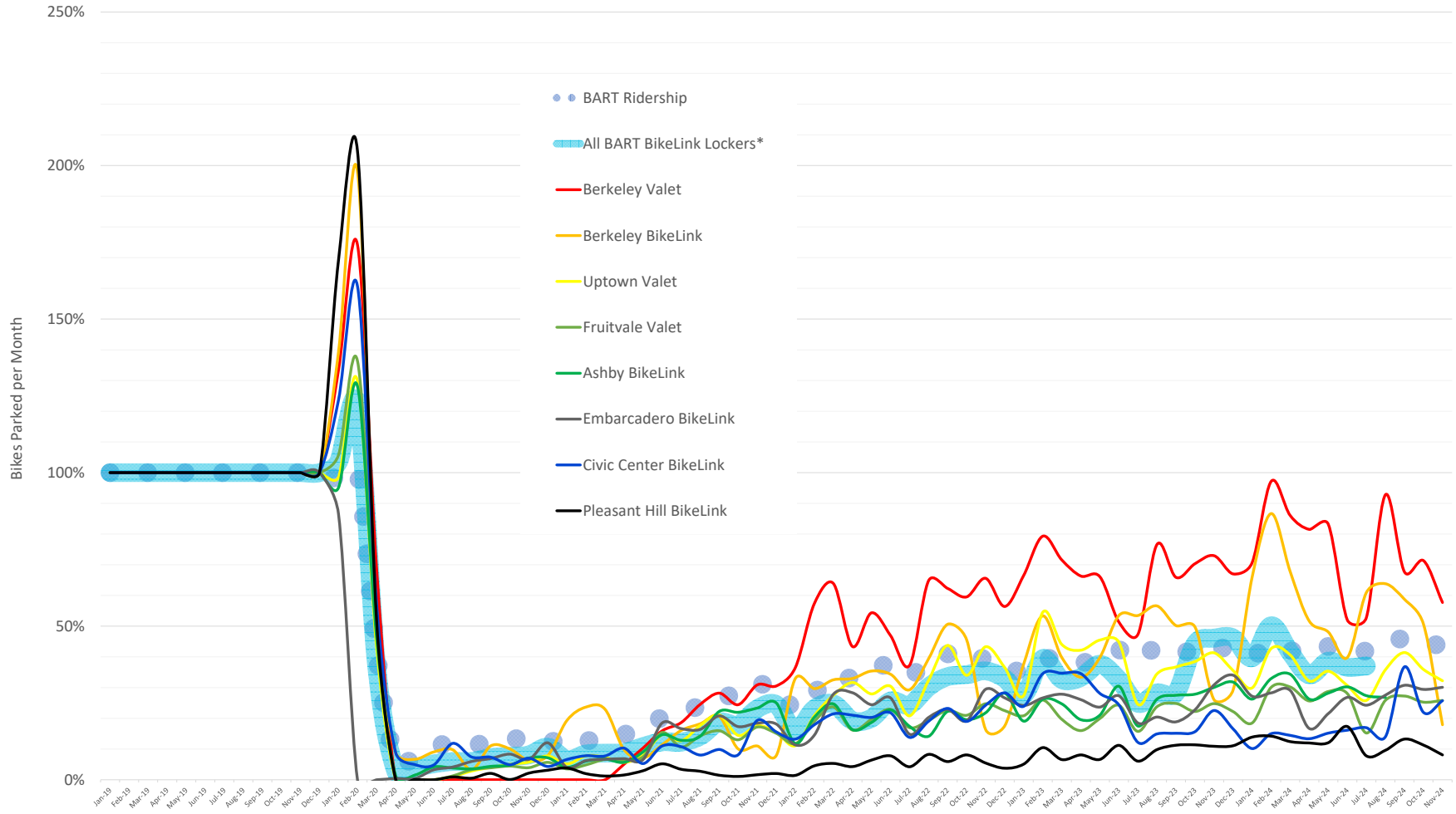


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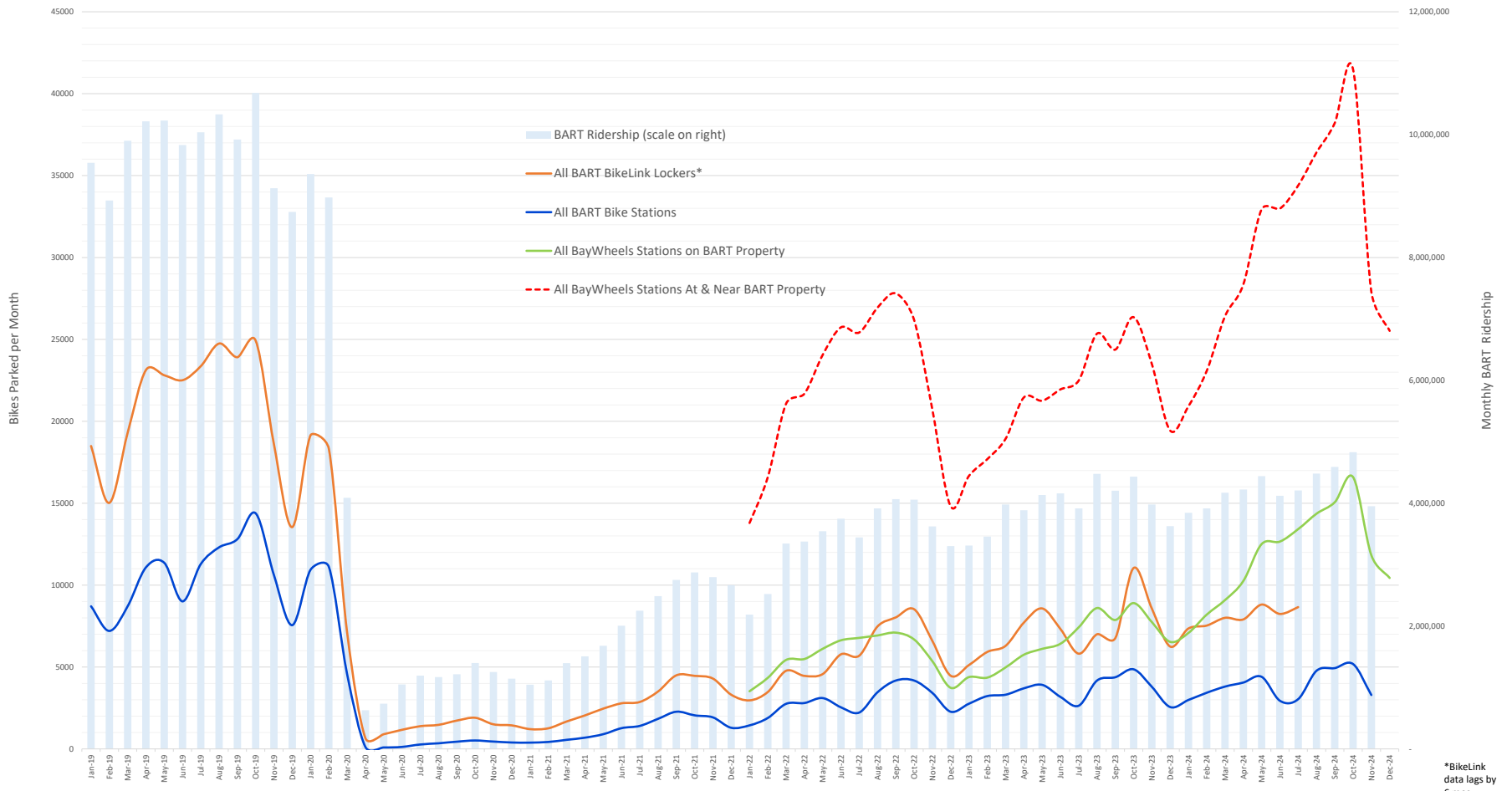
Monthly BART Bike Station, BikeLink Locker and BART Ridership As a Percentage of 2019



*BikeLink data lags by 6 mos.



Monthly BikeLink Lockers, BART Bike Stations, Bike Sharing and BART Ridership Jan 2019-Nov 2024



*BikeLink data lags by 6 mos.

Heath Maddox

From: BART Customer Service <webcustomerservices@bart.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 5, 2024 3:33 PM
To: Heath Maddox
Subject: FW: RE: Case 00349387: Scooter riders at Powell Station [ref:!00Dd00hrYV.!500VI0M2Vr6:ref]

Hi Heath:

FYI. Customer complaint about bicyclists/scooters being used in Powell Station. Complaint was shared with BPD Zone Commander. Thank you.

Samson Wong
BART Customer Services

----- Original Message -----

From: BART Customer Service [webcustomerservices@bart.gov]
Sent: 12/5/2024 3:31 PM
To: ewhite@bart.gov; nick.mavrakis@bart.gov
Subject: RE: Case 00349387: Scooter riders at Powell Station []

Hello Lt. White, Lt. Mavrakis (clo Lt. White):

FYI. Patron has been advised to report such incidents to BPD.

Regards,

Samson Wong
BART Customer Services

M-F 8am to 5pm

510-464-7134

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Contact Name jesp

Contact Email jespuri@uymail.com

Contact Phone

Opened Date/Time 12/2/2024 8:27 PM

Description A person riding an electric scooter on the narrow part of the train platform in Powell Street Station nearly struck several people, and continued to act badly aboard the train. I see people riding bicycles and scooters in the station every day, and maybe the station agents are tired of dealing with them, but I have never even seen a person be scolded for dangerous behavior.

ref:!00Dd00hrYV.!500VI0M2Vr6:ref

Heath Maddox

From: BART Customer Service <webcustomerservices@bart.gov>
Sent: Friday, December 20, 2024 1:26 PM
To: Joy Sharma; Mitra Moheb; Heath Maddox; Robert Franklin; Robert Day
Cc: Sylvia Lamb; Albert Schmitt
Subject: RE: Case 00350497: West Oakland Handicap/bike Fare Gates Too Slow [ref:!00Dd00hrYV.!500VIONE0cR:ref]

Hello Joy, Mitra, Robert, Heath, Bob:

Accessible West Oakland faregate feedback. Thank you.

Regards,

Samson Wong
BART Customer Services

M-F 8am to 5pm

510-464-7134

cc: Sylvia, Al

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Contact Name Patrick Dowd

Contact Email patdowd88@gmail.com

Contact Phone

Opened Date/Time 12/18/2024 7:49 AM

Description The new fare gates at west oakland are atrocious. The 2-way bike/handicap gates are far too slow and there's not enough of them meaning at times I have to wait a long time for people to queue in or out of the system. With the original better gates it was easy enough to stand a bike vertical and push the bike through allowing the wider gates for parents with strollers or people in wheelchairs. Now we all have to wait longer even if we were the ones paying the fare all along. Why are all users being punished? Please fix this.

via Android app Version 2.1.3

ref:!00Dd00hrYV.!500VIONE0cR:ref

Heath Maddox

From: Heath Maddox
Sent: Monday, January 13, 2025 2:22 PM
To: otis.harriel@gmail.com
Cc: Webcustomerservices
Subject: RE: Case 00351817: BikeLink Lockers @ Coliseum [ref:!00Dd00hrYV.!500VI0Oi0Mh:ref]

Dear Otis,

Thanks for writing and thanks for riding your bike to BART.

I manage bike access for BART and I am working on a solution to serve you and our other cycling customers at Coliseum.

Last week I circulated a plan to add bike racks to the paid area of the station concourse, near the station agent booth. I have not encountered any opposition yet, but the review period will go through Friday. I have racks I can move from downtown Berkeley and would hope to have them in place at Coliseum by early February, but it depends upon the availability of movers.

We are currently evaluating whether or not we can safely return the damaged lockers to service. The level of destruction to BART property at this location is completely unprecedented, and it's feeling like having lockers there is little more than an attractive nuisance that puts our customers' property at risk and repeatedly results in costly, predictable, and time-consuming repairs.

Sincerely,

Heath Maddox
Manager of Bicycle Access Programs
Bay Area Rapid Transit District
2150 Webster Street, 8th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612
415.728.1352

-----Original Message-----

From: Webcustomerservices <webcustomerservices@bart.gov>
Sent: Monday, January 13, 2025 2:07 PM
To: Heath Maddox <hmaddox@bart.gov>
Subject: RE: Case 00351817: BikeLink Lockers @ Coliseum [ref:!00Dd00hrYV.!500VI0Oi0Mh:ref]

Hello Heath,

Would you be able to answer the questions posed by our customer below.

Regards,

Nathan Nguyen
BART Customer Services

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Case 00351817: BikeLink Lockers @ Coliseum

Contact Name: Otis Harriel
Contact Phone: [REDACTED]
Contact Email: [REDACTED]

Incident Date:
Case opened Date:1/11/2025 12:52 PM
Category: Maintenance and Equipment
Sub-category: M&E Misc.

Line Code: A
Station: A30 - Coliseum

Hello,

I've been a resident of East Oakland for a few years and have been using the BikeLink bike lockers at the Coliseum station for that entire time.

Upon returning from the New Year I have found the lockers either vandalized or rendered unusable. I reached out to BikeLink about this and they let me know that the lockers have been shut off from use. They also let me know the lockers are owned by BART. I wanted to know what the plan on replacing them or making them usable is?

They are a vital part of a multi-functional and robust public transit system.

Thanks,
Otis
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Heath Maddox

From: Heath Maddox
Sent: Friday, January 24, 2025 9:51 AM
To: Heath Maddox
Subject: FW: Case 00349375: Breon Johnson System Service/ Civic Center

-----Original Message-----

From: BART Customer Service <webcustomerservices@bart.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, December 4, 2024 5:23 PM
To: Heath Maddox <hmaddox@bart.gov>
Subject: RE: Case 00349375: Breon Johnson System Service/ Civic Center [[ref:!00Dd00hrYV.!500VI0M1PcR:ref]

Hi Heath:

Sharing experience of a bicyclist who complimented system services employee.

Samson Wong
BART Customer Services

----- Original Message -----

From: BART Customer Service [webcustomerservices@bart.gov]
Sent: 12/4/2024 5:12 PM
To: dcoggsh@bart.gov; lvillat@bart.gov
Subject: RE: Case 00349375: Breon Johnson System Service/ Civic Center []

Hello David, Luis:

FYI. Compliment

Regards,

Samson Wong
BART Customer Services

M-F 8am to 5pm

510-464-7134

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Contact Name Ronald High Sr

Contact Email [REDACTED]

Contact Phone [REDACTED]

Opened Date/Time 12/2/2024 3:46 PM

Description I would like to bring to your attention, Bredon Johnson, a young man who came to my assistance. He works in System Service, at the Civic Center/ UN Plaza station. It seems to me, any time the system is mentioned in the news, it's someone giving their opinion of what's wrong with it. Well Bredon Johnson is what's "Right" with it, He's an asset to Bart, and should be recognized as such. After you hear of Mr. Johnson's actions that day, you will come to the same conclusion.

I'm 66 years old, I'll be 67 in February, I commute on my e bike between the Richmond and Civic Center/UN Plaza stations 5 times a week

On the morning of. I disembarked at the Civic Center station, the fairgate at the elevator wasn't functioning. I turned around and went towards the escalator and seen it was out of order as well. That meant I had to carry the bike up four flights of stairs. I removed the battery and saddle bags, carried them and then the bike up the first 2 flights. I somehow made it up the last 2 flights with the saddle bags and battery, but I knew I wasn't going to be able to get the bike up. I'm thinking I'm going to have to leave my bike, that's when I seen Mr Johnson at the top of the stairs. I'm between catching my breath I said, "that's my stuff don't throw out my stuff". He started down the steps and said "Sir let me help you carry your bike"

That young man didn't have to stop what he was doing to help me, nobody would have known, but he did. That says a lot about him as a person, I told him how much I appreciate it, but I want not his supervisor to know what type of employee he is. But I would like whomever is in charge of System Service, to be informed as well. I apologize for the length of this email, enjoy the rest of your day.

Sincerely

Ronald High

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Heath Maddox

From: Heath Maddox
Sent: Friday, January 24, 2025 9:46 AM
To: Heath Maddox
Subject: FW: Re: Case 00345846: Riders with bicycles and scooters [ref:!00Dd00hrYV.!500VI0I63FN:ref]

From: BART Customer Service <webcustomerservices@bart.gov>
Date: Wednesday, October 9, 2024 at 2:57?PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Case 00345846: Riders with bicycles and scooters []

Hello Sam:

Thank you for sharing your recent experience. If you would like us to continue reviewing the reported issue, we will need additional information as requested below. It would be helpful to provide train information as to your observations:

- Train Line/Direction:
- Departure Station:
- Scheduled Departure Time and Days:
- Final Station Destination:
- Scheduled Destination Time and Days:

Your comments will be shared with online accessibility contacts at <https://www.bart.gov/guide/accessibility>.

We look forward to hearing back from you. If we don't receive your response within 5 calendar days, this case will be closed with no further review.

If you need further assistance, please contact us at 510-464-7134.

Thank you for riding BART,

BART Customer Services

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Case 00345846: Riders with bicycles and scooters

There is an increase number of passengers with are now taking bicycles and scooters, which takes up a lot of space at the front of the doors upon entering and exiting. Not only is it hazardous I have had multiple scrapes. What are are proposals for such passengers that are taking up both side of the seats which should be reserved for the infirm. Additionally ensuring passengers safety? Do you feel as there's riders are taking up as much space 3 seats they should be charged accordingly?

