



# BART to Livermore Extension Project EIR Notice of Preparation

## Proposed Project

The San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART), as Lead Agency, is issuing this Notice of Preparation (NOP) to advise other agencies and the public that it will be preparing a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the proposed BART to Livermore Extension Project (Proposed Project). The Proposed Project, which is being developed in partnership with the City of Livermore, consists of a 4.8 mile BART extension along I-580 to a station in the vicinity of the Isabel Avenue/I-580 Interchange incorporating an efficient bus to BART transfer; and also includes express bus services linking inter-regional rail service and Priority Development Areas (PDAs) in Livermore, CA, and proposed offsite parking facilities.

In addition to the Proposed Project, the project alternatives currently under consideration include a No Build alternative, a Diesel Multiple Unit (DMU) alternative, and an Express Bus alternative. The Proposed Project as well as the DMU and Express Bus alternatives will include tail tracks and maintenance facilities as needed for effective operations.

## Scope of Environmental Analysis

The DEIR for the BART to Livermore Extension Project will be prepared in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, as amended. In general, the purpose of the DEIR is to:

- Analyze the potential environmental effects of the adoption of the Proposed Project.
- Inform decision-makers, responsible and trustee agencies, and members of the public as to the environmental impacts of the Proposed Project;
- Recommend a set of mitigation measures to avoid or reduce any significant adverse impacts; and
- Analyze a range of reasonable alternatives to the Proposed Project.

### Potential environmental effects identified for analysis in the DEIR include:

- Transportation
- Air Quality
- Land Use, Housing, and Physical Displacement
- Public Services
- Energy
- Greenhouse Gases and Climate Change
- Noise
- Geology and Seismicity
- Hazardous Materials
- Water Resources
- Biological Resources
- Visual Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Public Utilities
- Growth-Inducing Impacts

## Scoping Meeting

**Wednesday, September 19, 2012 • Robert Livermore Community Center • 4444 East Ave., Livermore, CA 94550**  
**6:00 pm – Open House • 7:00 pm – Meeting and Public Comments**

The purpose of the scoping meeting will be to gather input on the proposed project, project alternatives, potential environmental impacts and mitigation measures to be considered in the EIR. You will have an opportunity to provide written and verbal comments at the meeting that will become a part of the public record. **If you need language assistance services, please call 510-464-6752, 72 hours prior to the date of the meeting.**

## Written Comments

You may also provide written comments on the scope of the DEIR, including significant environmental issues and reasonable alternatives and mitigation measures to be considered. Send comments to **Marianne Payne, EIR Project Manager, 300 Lakeside Drive, 16th Fl., Oakland, CA 94612 or [mpayne@bart.gov](mailto:mpayne@bart.gov)**. Comments must be received by **October 1, 2012**.

## For Further Information:

Visit our website at [www.bart.gov/livermore](http://www.bart.gov/livermore) or contact **Walter Gonzales, BART Government and Community Relations, 510-464-6428 or [wgonzal@bart.gov](mailto:wgonzal@bart.gov)**.

