



# San Pablo Avenue Corridor Project

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## PROJECT OVERVIEW

San Pablo Avenue is an interjurisdictional roadway that traverses multiple cities in northern Alameda County and western Contra Costa County. It is the spine of a critical multimodal travel corridor that connects tens of thousands of people every day between residential communities, employment centers, schools, centers of public life and other activity hubs.

San Pablo Avenue provides north-south connections parallel to the BART Richmond Line and Interstate 80 (I-80) and is a reliever route for freeway traffic during incidents on I-80. It carries local, rapid and express/Transbay buses, includes many high-activity pedestrian areas and is designated as a bicycle route in many local jurisdiction plans. Demand for travel on San Pablo Avenue is projected to increase as jurisdictions concentrate growth along the corridor in several Priority Development Areas, with several higher-density, mixed-use developments recently completed and numerous others under consideration.

Improvements along San Pablo Avenue are planned to include transit priority treatments such as dedicated bus lanes to improve travel time and reliability, transit signal priority, signal modernization and coordination, and enhanced bus stops or stations. In addition, pedestrian safety improvements, such as pedestrian bulbs, crosswalk improvements, and curb ramps, as well as bicycle safety improvements and improved bicycle infrastructure is planned for implementation. Feasible near-term improvements are advancing along certain segments of the corridor in order to test concepts and



begin building towards a corridor-wide long-term improvement vision.

## PROJECT BENEFITS

- Improves safety for all modes and reduces conflicts
- Accommodates growth by improving efficiency and reliability, and by carrying more people within the existing right-of-way
- Improves comfort and quality of trip for all users
- Supports local land use and economic development priorities



Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District bus traveling on San Pablo Avenue.



## PROJECT NEED

- To better serve existing users and **accommodate growth** from new housing and jobs, the corridor must be able to effectively carry more people through increased efficiency and improved travel choices.
- The corridor has limited right-of-way and competing demands, which must be brought together to advance “**Complete Streets**” concepts of safety, quality, and convenience for all users and all modes.
- **Transit service** in this corridor suffers delays and poor on-time performance due to regular congestion at several key intersections, which undermines the competitiveness of transit as a travel choice for many users.
- The corridor has one of the highest collision rates in the county, affecting the **safety** of all users

Note: Information on this fact sheet is subject to periodic updates.

## STATUS

**Implementing Agency:** Alameda CTC

**Current Phase:** Scoping/Preliminary Engineering

- California Department of Transportation's Project Initiation Document anticipated spring 2022

## PARTNERS AND STAKEHOLDERS

California Department of Transportation, Alameda CTC, Contra Costa Transportation Authority, Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District, the cities of Albany, Berkeley, Emeryville, Oakland, El Cerrito, Richmond and San Pablo

## SCHEDULE BY PHASE

	Begin	End
Feasibility Study	Summer 2017	Summer 2020

## NEAR-TERM PROJECT

	Begin	End
Scoping	Summer 2020	Fall 2021
Preliminary Engineering/ Environmental	Winter 2020/21	Fall 2022
Final Design	Fall 2021	Fall 2022
Construction	Fall 2022	Winter 2023/24

Note: Long-term project will follow near-term project; exact schedule to be determined pending near-term project outcomes. Schedule subject to funding availability.