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To: BART Board of Directors

From: Claudette Biemeret, Inspector General

RE: OIG Report *Audit of Construction Contract Change Orders*

Attached for your consideration is the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) report *Audit of Construction Contract Change Orders*, conducted on the OIG's behalf by GPP Analytics (GPP), an independent consulting firm specializing in performance audits. We thank GPP for their thorough work and appreciate the cooperation and assistance provided by BART staff throughout the audit.

Change orders are a routine and expected part of large, complex construction programs. As described in the attached report, they often result from factors such as unforeseen site conditions, design refinements, regulatory requirements, or owner-initiated changes. Given the scale and complexity of BART's capital program, effective oversight of change orders is an important part of cost control, project management, and transparency.

GPP determined that BART's change order practices generally comply with established policies and reflect ongoing efforts to improve, including recent initiatives to streamline processes and clarify roles. They also identified opportunities to strengthen systems; improve data consistency and documentation; enhance coordination across departments; and apply lessons learned to future project planning and design.

The report and accompanying presentation are intended to provide the BART Board of Directors and the public with context about how change orders function within BART's capital program and to support continued improvements in governance and stewardship of public resources.