## Briefing on Other Post Employment Benefits (Retiree Medical) and Pension Liabilities

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# Retiree Medical



### Retiree Medical Plan - Background

- Benefits
  - Retire directly from BART
  - Retiree medical premium (up to cap) paid by BART
  - Same formula as for active employees
  - Retirees must enroll in Medicare Part B at age 65
  - Retirees pay a portion of the monthly premium
  - Benefit percentage schedule (based on required BART years of service) applies to employees hired after 2014-2015
- Retiree medical benefits set by BART with employee groups
- Average monthly benefit approximately \$750



### Retiree Medical Plan - Background

- Trust
  - Initiated in 2004/05
  - OPEB trusts becoming more common in California but not required
  - Approximate 60%/40% equity/fixed income
  - Plan is funded according to bargaining agreement
    - □ Closed period fully funded in 2034
      - 11 years remaining in 2023/34
      - Entire Unfunded Accrued Liability to be fully funded in 2034
      - Contributions will become much more volatile as 2034 approaches



### Retiree Medical Plan – Funded Status

#### In Millions

	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2022
Actuarial Accrued Liability (value of benefits "earned" in the past)	\$581.7	\$632.4	\$677.5
Trust Assets	<u>389.1</u>	501.3	<u>450.0</u>
Unfunded Accrued Liability	192.6	131.1	227.5
Normal cost (value of benefits "earned" during the year)	26.7	24.3	25.6



### Retiree Medical Plan - Changes

- Assets
  - 23.4% return for 2020/21 vs. 6% expected
  - -12.9% return for 2021/22 vs. 6% expected
    - Approximately \$95 million below expected



### Retiree Medical Plan – Contributions

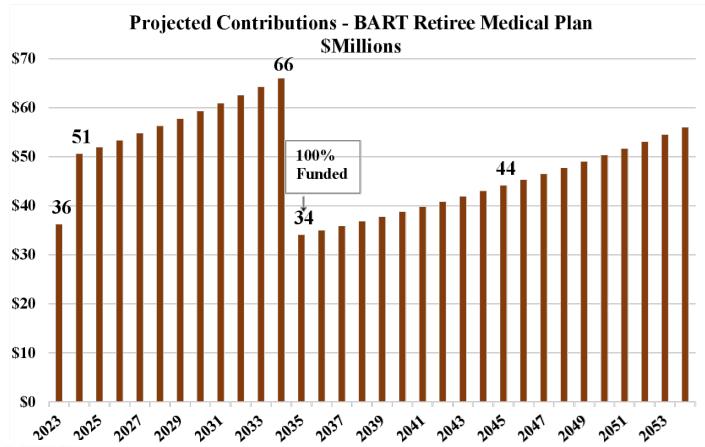
#### In Millions

	June 30, 2020 2021/22	June 30, 2021 2022/23	June 30, 2022 2023/24
Normal Cost	\$26.7	\$24.3	\$25.6
Unfunded Liability Payment*	<u>17.3</u>	<u>11.9</u>	<u>25.0</u>
Total Contribution	44.0	36.2	50.6

<sup>\*</sup> CBAs specify Unfunded Accrued Liability to be paid off by 6/30/34



### Retiree Medical Plan – Projected Contributions





# CalPERS Pension



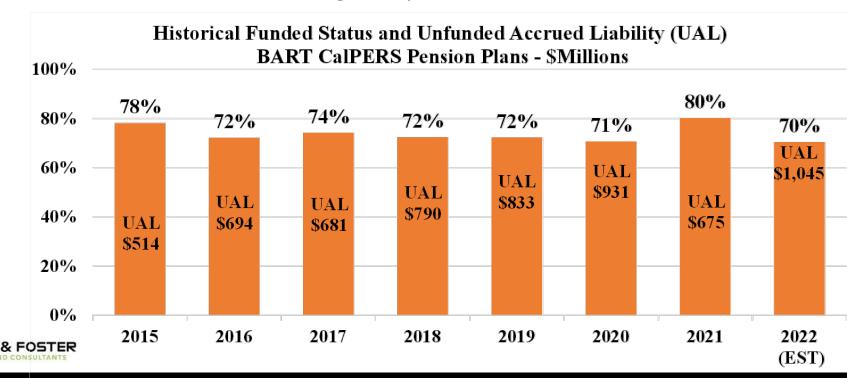
### CalPERS Pension Plans - Background

- Pension benefits provided through CalPERS
  - Benefits cannot be changed
  - CalPERS invests the pension funds
  - CalPERS calculates each year's required contributions
    - BART must pay as required
    - Employees are also required by CalPERS to pay a portion of their cost
  - Currently, no major policy changes expected
- BART has negotiated with its bargaining units for employees to pay a portion of BART's required payment ("cost-sharing")



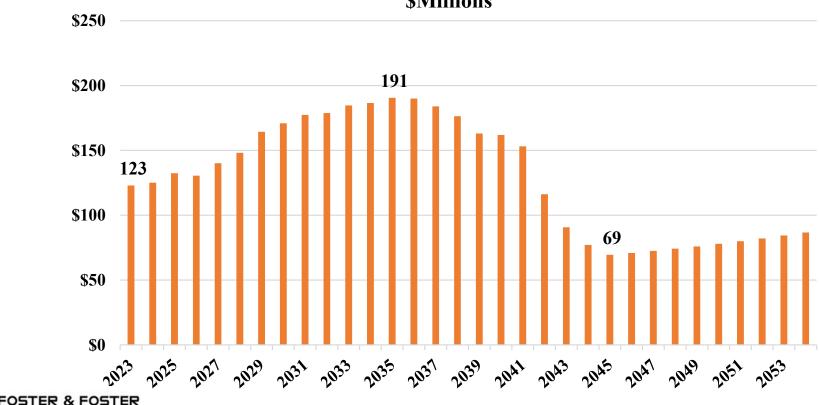
### CalPERS Pension Plans – Historical Funded Status

- Changes in funded status primarily due to CalPERS investment return
  - FY20-21: 23.1% vs 7% expected, FY21-22: -7.5% vs 6.8% expected
  - Current CalPERS investment allocation: higher risk than previously
- Discount rate 7.5% in 2015. Lowered gradually to 6.8% at 6/30/2021



### CalPERS Pension Plans – Projected Contributions

## **Projected Contributions - BART CalPERS Pension Plans \$Millions**



#### CalPERS Pension Plans and Section 115 Trust

- The District established a Section 115 Pension Trust to help provide funding flexibility and to help mitigate budget impact of projected future increases in required contributions
  - Trust may only be used for pension contributions
  - Employer decides when/if to add money or withdraw funds
  - Trusts becoming common in California but not required
- March 2023 balance is \$38.2 million
  - Funding began in August 2020
  - \$40 million contributed
  - Investment loss due to recent market conditions



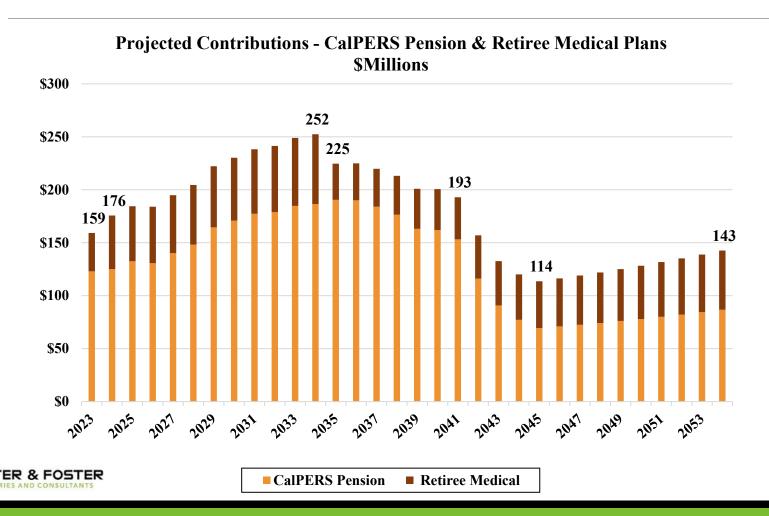
### BART's CalPERS Plans – Comparison to Other Agencies

Plan	Date	<b>Discount Rate</b>	<b>Funded Ratio</b>
BART Miscellaneous	6/30/2021	6.80%	82%
BART Safety	6/30/2021	6.80%	65%
CalPERS Public Agency Miscellaneous (Total)	6/30/2021	6.80%	84%
CalPERS Public Agency Safety (total)	6/30/2021	6.80%	81%
CalSTRS (State Teachers) DB Plan	6/30/2021	7.00%	82%
CalPERS - State Employees	6/30/2021	6.80%	81%
Alameda County Employees' Ret. Ass'n.	12/31/2021	7.00%	93%
Contra Costa County Employees' Ret. Ass'n.	12/31/2021	6.75%	101%
San Francisco Employees' Ret. System	7/1/2021	7.20%	112%
National Average (NASRA study of 126 large state & city plans - median discount rate, dollar-weighted average funded status)	FY 2021 (Oct. 2022)	7.00%	89%



Note: All funded statuses use market value of assets

### **Combined Plans Projected Contributions**



## Questions?

