

Financial Outlook

BART Board 2020 Workshop February 13, 2020



Financial Outlook Agenda

Ridership Trends
Operating Financial Outlook
Capital Financial Outlook
Fare Programs

Discussion



Ridership Trends

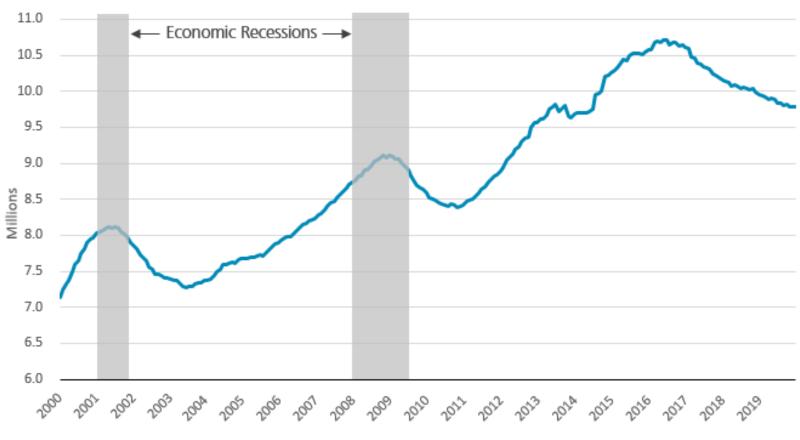
BART System Ridership

- BART Mission: "Provide safe, reliable, clean, quality transit service for riders"
- Ridership is central to our finances: In FY20, fare revenue covers 60% of rail operating expense
- The decrease in ridership since 2016 is a major budget challenge



Ridership Trends

Total Monthly Exits (millions)



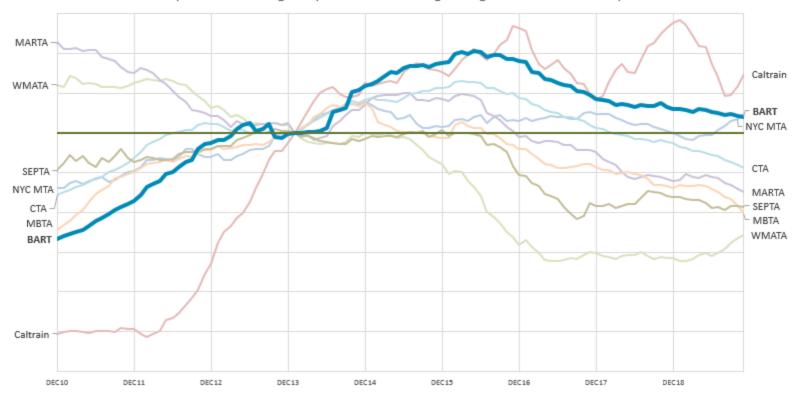
12 Month Moving Average



Ridership Trends

Comparator Group Ridership Trends

(Unlinked Passenger Trips 12 Month Moving Average Indexed to Jan 2014)



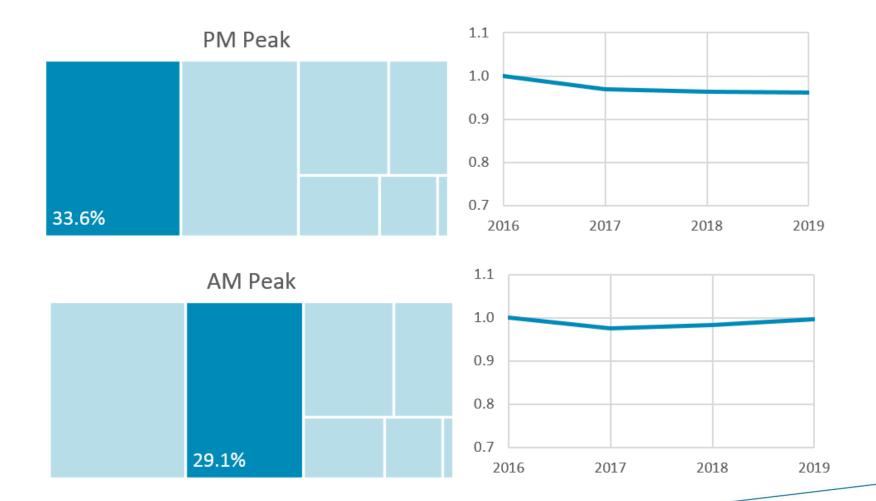


Ridership Trends: Peak vs Off-Peak



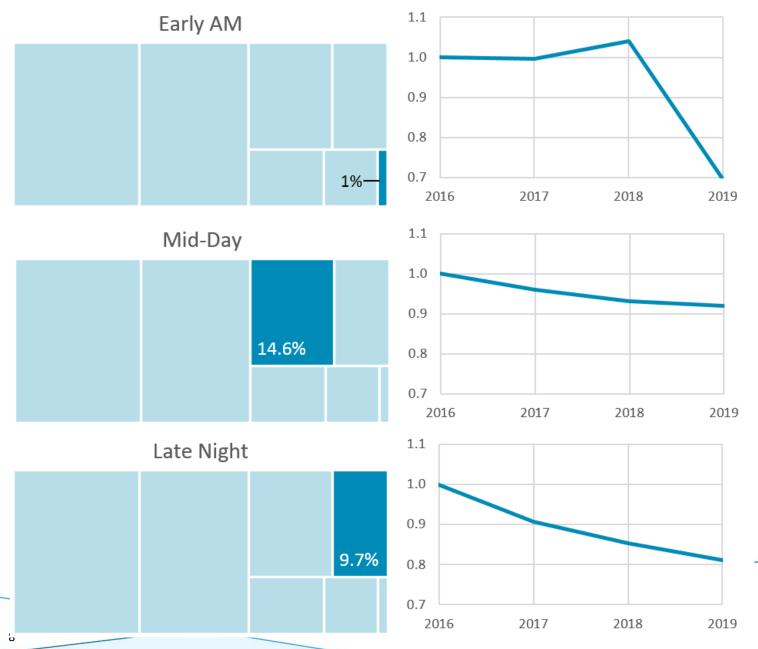


Weekday AM and PM Peak Ridership Trends



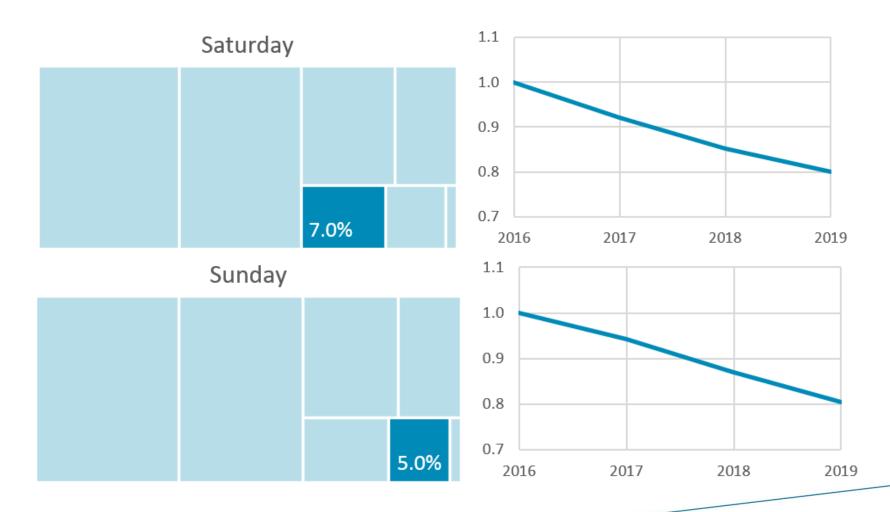


Weekday Off-Peak Ridership Trends



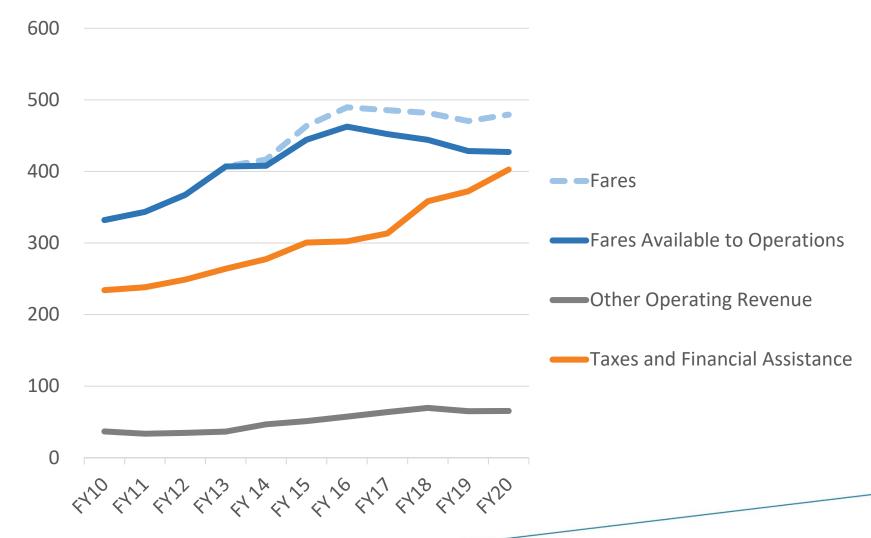


Weekend Ridership Trends





Operating Revenue History





Operating Financial Outlook

Budget Basics

FY20 Budget Snapshot

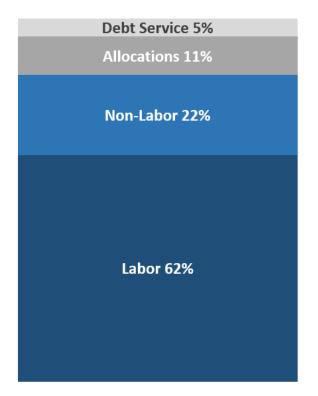
Sources: \$947M Uses: \$947M

Other Assistance 13%

Sales Tax 28%

Other Operating Revenue 7%

Rail Fare Revenue 48%





Operating Outlook Overview

- Staff maintains 10-year projections of operating financials
- Used as a tool to guide multi-year policy and planning
- Required to leverage outside funding



Operating Outlook: Current Strengths & Challenges

Fiscal Strengths

- Low debt / high credit rating
- Large and stable commute market -> resilient fare revenue
- Dedicated sales and property taxes with strong, diverse tax base
- Fare revenue linked to inflation
- Several sources of non-fare operating revenue

Because of these strengths, BART has been able to:

- ✓ Borrow at low rates
- ✓ Pre-fund retiree medical and direct extra funding to pension
- ✓ Allocate operating funds to capital
- ✓ Maintain service levels during recessions



Operating Outlook: Current Strengths & Challenges

Fiscal Challenges

- Low public subsidy compared to peer transit agencies
- Growing labor expense, including pension and health benefits
- Off-peak ridership decline since 2016 -> lower fare revenue
- Capital allocations reduce funding for operations



Operating Outlook: Risks

Risks

- Forecast FY21-23 operating deficit ~\$125M
- Uncertain ridership growth, particularly outside peak
- Potential economic downturn
- Labor expense uncertain (SEIU, ATU, AFSCME contracts expire FY21)
- Long-term pension and retiree medical costs
- Fare policy proposals -> uncertain fare revenue



Uses of Operating Funds

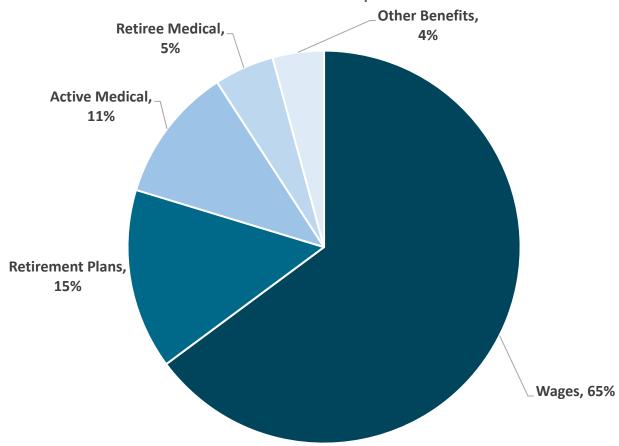






Uses of Operating Funds: Labor Detail

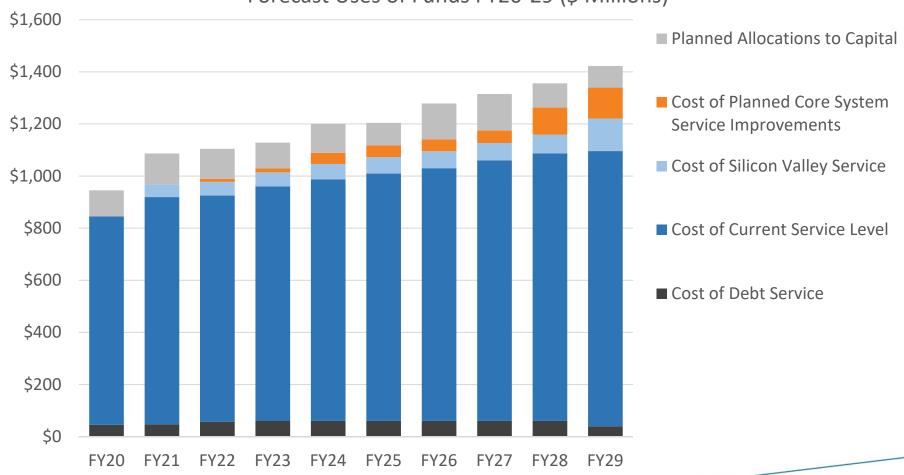






Uses of Operating Funds: Service Changes

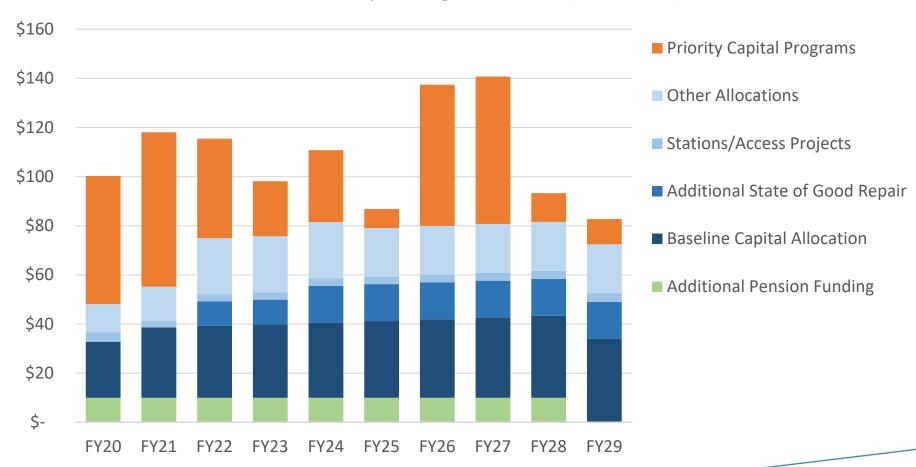
Forecast Uses of Funds FY20-29 (\$ Millions)





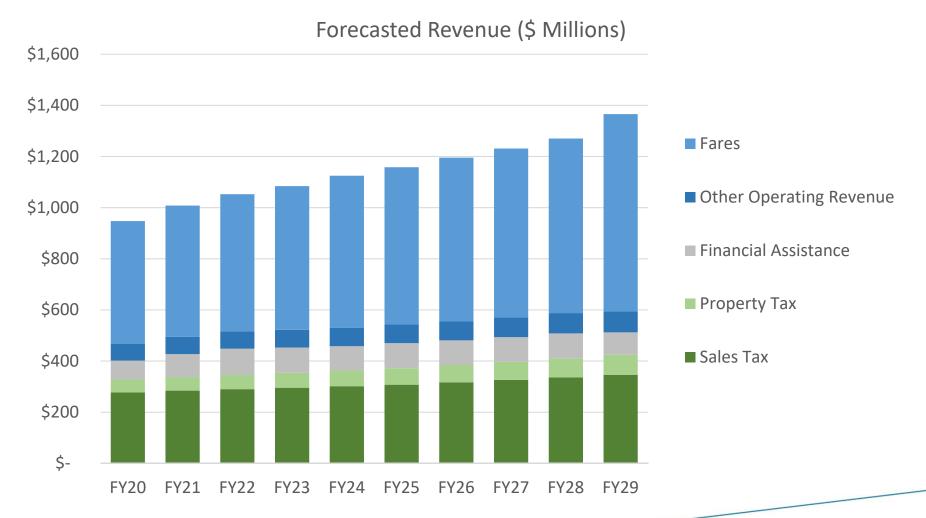
Uses of Operating Funds: Operating Allocations

Forecasted Operating Allocations (\$ Millions)





Operating Revenue Summary

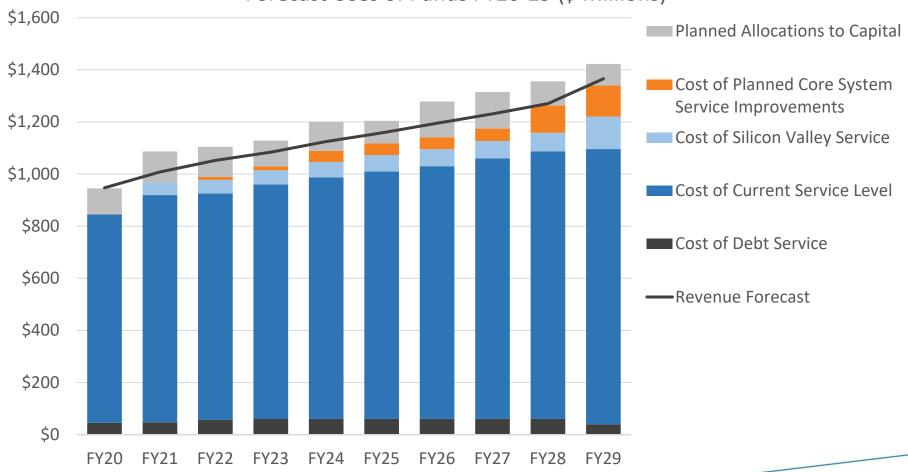




Operating Sources vs Uses

10-year deficit is 4.6% of total uses

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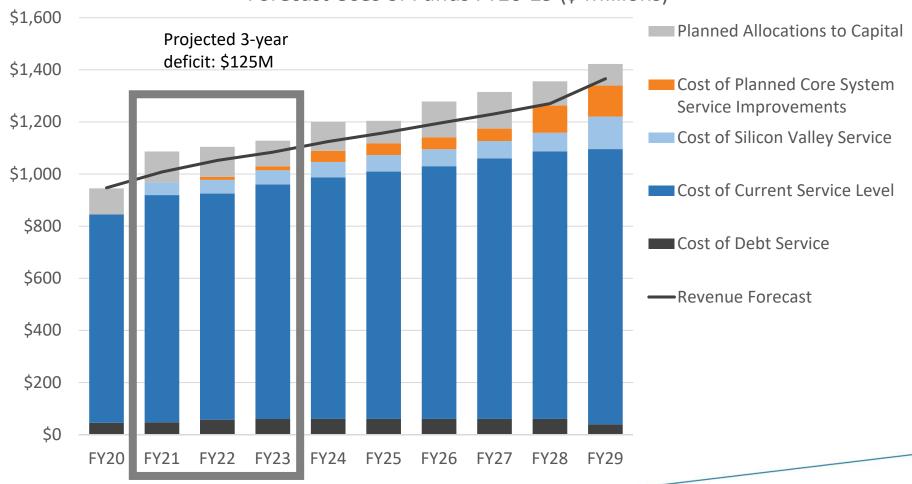




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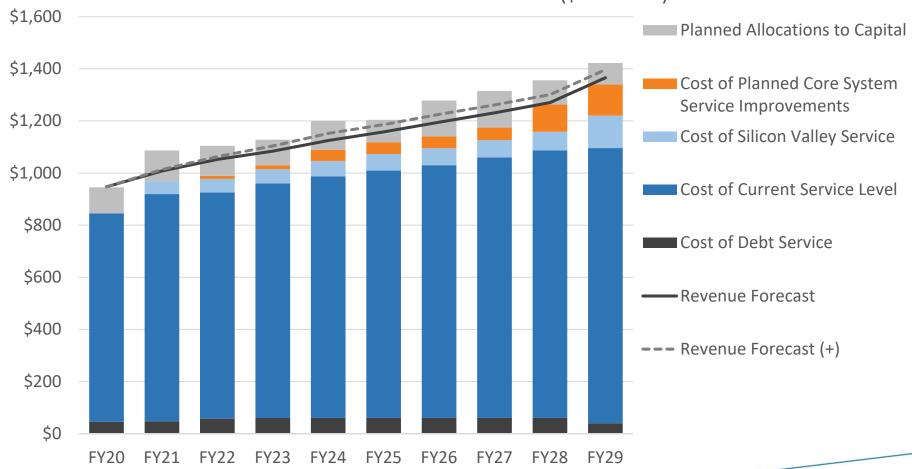




Sources vs Uses

Revenue enhancement scenario: deficit is 3.2% of total uses



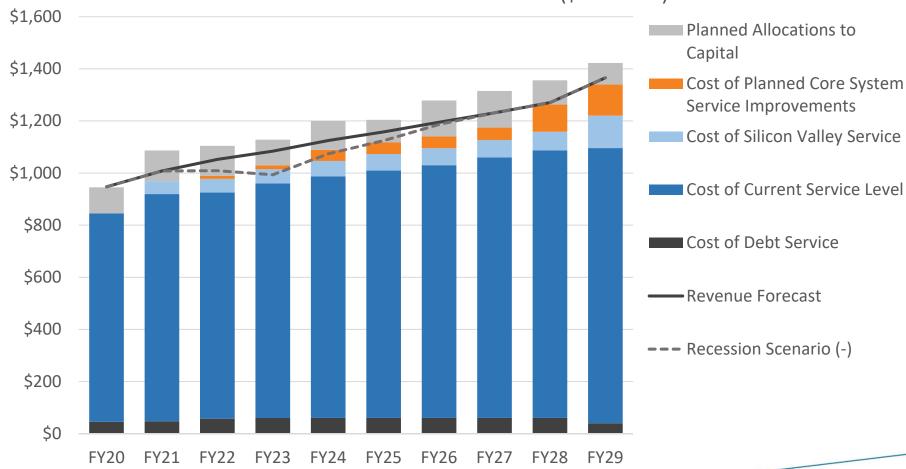




Sources vs Uses

Recession scenario: deficit is 6.5% of total uses

Forecast Uses of Funds FY20-29 (\$ Millions)





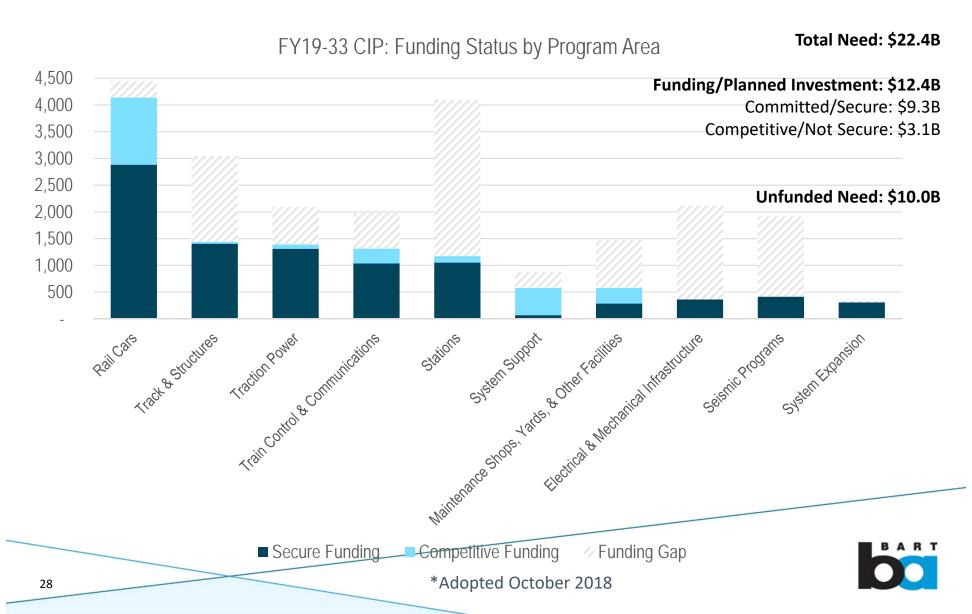
Operating Outlook – Risk Management

Risk	Risk Management Approach
Forecast FY21-23 operating deficit	Strategic budget process
Uncertain ridership growth	 Investing in QOL / customer experience Rolling out new fleet Measure RR and Core Capacity Developing non-fare operating revenue
Potential economic downturn	 Allocations to reserves Balancing cost containment with need to invest in riders now
Labor expense uncertain (contracts end FY21)	Labor negotiationsFocus on sustainable expense increases
Long-term pension and retiree medical costs	Pre-funding retiree medicalAdditional pension funding
Fare policy proposals -> uncertain fare revenue	Engagement in SacramentoRegional fare integration study



Capital Financial Outlook

FY19-33 Capital Improvement Program*



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• Total 15-Year Need: \$22.4B

• Funding/Planned Investment: \$12.4B

• Measure RR: \$3.3B

• Federal: \$2.4B

• Regional: \$2.3B

• Other BART: \$2.0B

• Local: \$1.6B

• State: \$0.7B

• Unfunded Need: \$10.0B



Priority Capital Projects

- The District has committed to several high priority projects, totaling ~\$8B:
 - Core Capacity Program
 - Train Control Modernization Program
 - Hayward Maintenance Complex Ph 1
 - Rail Car Program
 - Earthquake Safety Program Transbay Tube
 - Measure RR System Renewal
 - Transit Operations Facility
- These projects comprise almost two thirds of BART's adopted financially constrained 15-year capital program
- The Board also advanced next generation fare gates (estimated to cost ~\$150M) as a priority in Fall 2019

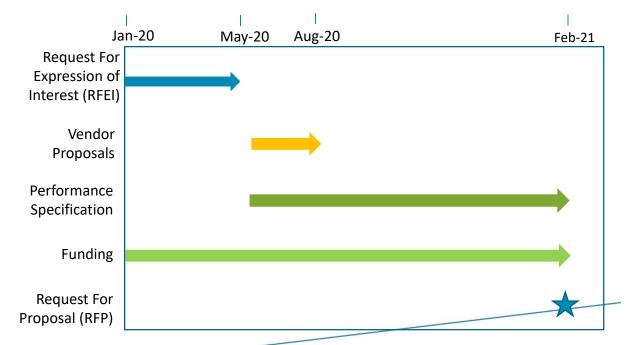


Next Generation Fare Gates

- We're moving ahead with conceptual design for next generation fare gates
- We'll be coming back to the Board with a timeline and funding strategy for implementation

Conceptual Design Timeline

Fare Gates	
Alameda County	284 (42%)
Contra Costa County	117 (17%)
San Francisco County	199 (29%)
San Mateo County	82 (12%)
Total	682 (100%)





Priority Capital Projects Funding Summary

- Significant progress has been made towards fully funding high priority projects
- \$5.7B secured funding (70%)
- \$1.3B pending funding (16%)
- \$1.1B funding still to be secured (14%) (including new fare gates)
 - Applying for ~\$200M in grants over next six months
 - Currently in negotiations with funding partners for an additional \$300-500M
 - Developing a plan for the remainder



Priority Capital Projects Funding

Key Milestones

- Core Capacity Program
 - June 2019 \$300M Capital Investment Grant (CIG) Allocation
 - December 2019 \$51M Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) allocation
 - FY20Q4 \$1.169B CIG Full Funding Grant Agreement (FFGA) expected
- Measure RR Program
 - August 2019 \$360M second bond issuance
 - Measure RR Program is reviewed annually by Measure RR Bond Oversight Committee
 - 2019 Report: "BART has progressed on RR projects at a pace that exceeds this requirement, which reflects on the District's success in delivering RR-funded work in a timely manner."
 - \$481.8M committed to date
 - \$441.7M expended to date



Priority Capital Projects Funding

Key Upcoming Opportunities

- FY20Q3 & Q4 apply for ~\$200M State SB1 (cap & trade) grant programs
- March 2020 CCTA Sales Tax Measure
- Potential November 2020 FASTER Bay Area Measure
- Potential 2022 Planned SFCTA Sales Tax Measure



Financial Outlook Summary – Capital

- Capital program scaling up
 - RR Program is well underway
 - Core Capacity Program is ramping up
- Large rail car payments planned
- Challenges include:
 - Strong economy + high materials costs = high cost construction bids
 - Continue to work to close funding gap on high priority projects
 - Long term funding challenges persist



Fare Programs

Clipper START

Fare Coordination and Integration Business Case Study



Upcoming Projects Impacting Fare Policy & Revenue

Means-Based Transit Fare Discount Pilot Program (Clipper START)



Fare Coordination and Integration Business Case Study







Applying for and Using Clipper START

- Individuals can apply through a website or with a mailed or faxed paper application
- Applicants must provide proof of eligibility with copies of tax returns, EBT cards, or MediCal cards
- Once 3rd party vendor verifies eligibility, participants will be mailed a special Clipper card to use to receive the discount
- Discount taken on each single ride taken on participating agencies
- Can use card on other transit operators, but will pay full fare





Clipper START Outreach Plan



Community Based Organizations

Participating Transit
Agencies



Fare Coordination and Integration Study

 Goal: Improve the passenger experience and grow transit ridership across the Bay Area



