Project Title: Gateway Park (SCH #2013112003)

**City/County:** City of Oakland, Alameda County, California **Public Review Period:** January 29, 2018 to March 14, 2018 (45 days)

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for Gateway Park (Project) is available beginning on **January 29**, **2018** for review and comment by the public and all interested persons, agencies, and organizations for a period of 45 days, ending **March 14**, **2018**. All comments must be received by that date.

<u>Lead Agency</u>: The Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA) is the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

<u>Project Location</u>: Gateway Park would be located in Oakland, Alameda County, adjacent to I-880 and Interstate 80 (I-80) at the eastern touchdown of the east span of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge.

Project Description: The Project proposes the creation of a new park (Gateway Park) along the waterfront near the eastern end of the east span of the San Francisco–Oakland Bay Bridge. Gateway Park would provide a gateway to both the east span of the Bay Bridge and the City of Oakland. Gateway Park would encompass approximately 45 acres and could include both active and passive recreation opportunities as well as potential venues for community events and art installations, highlighting the natural, maritime, industrial, and transportation history of the East Bay. The Project would provide safe access to the bicycle/pedestrian path on the east span of the Bay Bridge (Bay Bridge Trail) as well as access to existing and planned segments of the regional San Francisco Bay Trail (Bay Trail). The Project would also provide safe, multimodal access to the shoreline and could be a unique waterfront amenity. Furthermore, it would be designed to meet mitigation commitments for the San Francisco Bay Bridge East Span Seismic Safety Project (completed in 2013), reuse of the Oakland Army Base, and demolition and reconstruction of I-880 (Cypress/Interstate 880 freeway project). Outside the park boundaries, the project could also include installing landscaping near Interstate 880 (I-880).

The Project is the result of a multiagency collaborative planning effort facilitated by the Gateway Park Working Group. The Working Group consists of the following nine local, regional and state agencies: Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA), California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC), California Transportation Commission (CTC), East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD), City of Oakland, Port of Oakland, East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD), and Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG)'s Bay Trail Project. At this time, it is envisioned that Gateway Park would be a regional park operated by EBRPD or a Joint Powers Authority.

Anticipated Significant Environmental Effects: Based on the analysis in the Draft EIR, the Project would result in significant and unavoidable impacts related to biological resources, greenhouse gas emissions, transportation and traffic, and cumulative noise. All other impacts would be less than significant or mitigated to a less-than-significant level.

<u>Hazardous Sites:</u> The Project Site is not on any of the lists of sites enumerated under Section 65962.5 of the Government Code including, but not limited to, lists of hazardous waste facilities, land designated as hazardous waste property, hazardous waste disposal sites and others, and the information in the Hazardous Waste and Substances Statement required under subdivision (f) of that Section.

<u>Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Report</u>: Copies of the Draft EIR will be available for review beginning on **January 29, 2018** at the following locations:

- The Hub, 375 Beale Street, San Francisco open Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturdays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Central Oakland Library: 125 14<sup>th</sup> St., Oakland; West Oakland Branch Library: 1801 Adeline St., Oakland.
- Bay Area Toll Authority's website at <a href="https://mtc.ca.gov/gateway-park">https://mtc.ca.gov/gateway-park</a>

Comments may be submitted in writing to: Peter Lee, Assistant Director, Bay Area Toll Authority, 375 Beale Street, Suite 800, San Francisco, CA, 94105, or emailed to plee@bayareametro.gov, no later than **Wednesday, March 14, 2018, at 5:00 p.m.** 

<u>Availability of Referenced Documents in the Draft EIR</u>: All documents referenced in the Draft EIR are available for review at the following location:

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