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Horizon is exploring how economic, environmental, technological, and political uncertainties may create new challenges - or exacerbate existing ones - for the Bay Area over the coming decades.



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PLAN BAY AREA 2050

Perspective Papers



1) Autonomous Vehicles







4) Crossings

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5) Future of Jobs



6) Governance



More to Come?





The San Francisco Bay Area aspires to be:

AFFORDABLE

CONNECTED

DIVERSE

HEALTHY

VIBRANT

Guiding Principles

All Bay Area residents and workers have sufficient housing options they can afford – households are economically secure.

An expanded, well-functioning transportation system connects the Bay Area – fast, frequent and efficient intercity trips are complemented by a suite of local transportation options, connecting communities and creating a cohesive region.

The Bay Area is an inclusive region where people from all backgrounds, abilities, and ages can remain in place – with access to the region's assets and resources.

The region's natural resources, open space, clean water and clean air are conserved – the region actively reduces its environmental footprint and protects residents from environmental impacts.

The Bay Area region is an innovation leader, creating quality job opportunities for all and ample fiscal resources for communities.

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Perspective Paper #1: Autonomous Vehicle Priority Strategies





Ban Diverse



Healthy

Vibrant



Housing Opportunity Sites Fair Pricing Autonomous Transit Equitable Outcomes Vision Zero 2.0

New Deal for Mobility



Purpose of Perspective Paper 2

Develop "big picture" 2050 strategies for evaluation in Horizon's Futures

Focus on reducing demand for vehicle travel

Inventory strategies based on worldwide scan and potential to manage travel demand

Create strategies addressing one piece of the "planning puzzle," recognizing complementary investments and policies are needed to ensure success

Factors Contributing to Bay Area Congestion





The sales pitch



The reality

Congested delay has grown 25% since 2000







VMT is expected to continue growing even under Plan Bay Area 2040



Examples from Around the World



Perspective Paper #2: Travel Demand Reduction Strategies

Connected

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Affordable Diverse



Free Feeder Services to High Capacity Transit Mobility as a Service Ridesharing and Teleworking Tolling All Bridges & Highways Cordon Pricing Required TDM for New Development Parking Fee/Tax

Healthy

Vibrant



Parcel Lockers & Freight Consolidation Centers





Free Feeder Services to High Capacity Transit

Using AVs to provide on-demand feeder service primarily in suburban and rural communities

Examples

Chapel Hill, North Carolina Seattle, Washington Tallinn, Estonia

Travel Demand Reduction Potential 50% reduction in fares could lead to a 15% increase in transit ridership

Not all new riders will be from single-occupant vehicles



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Key Implementation Considerations to Support the Guiding Principles Couple with added service on high capacity transit lines and expanded active transportation infrastructure

Target service in rural, suburban and disadvantaged communities

Fund service with revenues raised from the Tolling, Cordon Pricing and Parking Fee strategies





Mobility as a Service

A multimodal on-demand service providing regionwide access to travel options and payment via a single platform.

Examples

Houston, LA Metro, Phoenix (*in development*) Helsinki, Finland (*pilot with Whim*) Hannover, Germany (*pilot with Mobil*) Vienna, Austria (pilot with SMILE)

Travel Demand Reduction Potential Among users, private car use and auto ownership could be halved

Among users, transit ridership could increase by roughly 50%



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Key Implementation Considerations to Support the Guiding Principles Include access to all high quality mobility options: bike, scooter, transit, shared vehicle services, etc.

Offer fare packages for low-income households across public and private providers





Ridesharing and Teleworking

Reducing VMT by filling empty seats or by reducing trips all together.

Carpooling (Bay Area focus):

- MTC 511 ridematching
- San Mateo County (*pilot*)
- Contra Costa Transportation Authority (*pilot*)

Telework Tax Credit:

Virginia

Travel Demand Reduction Potential

Examples

Travel demand reduction potential could be 16,000 empty seats (currently crossing Bay Bridge)

A telework tax credit could reduce daily VMT by over 9,000 miles





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Key Implementation Considerations to Support the Guiding Principles Support carpooling by:

- Complementary infrastructure to support time advantages
- Incentives (potentially through MaaS)

Support teleworking by:

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Tolling of All Bridges and Highways

Tolls on all bridges and freeways in the Bay Area based on distance traveled or demand.

Examples

France

Austria

Switzerland

Travel Demand Reduction Potential

Doubling the cost of driving could reduce VMT per capita by 10%





Tolling of All Bridges and Highways *Tolls on all bridges and freeways in the Bay Area based on distance traveled or demand.*

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Incentivize shared rides and off-peak travel through pricing

Offer toll discounts for low-income households





Cordon Pricing A fee based on the distances traveled in a car, often in place of fuel taxes.

Examples

London

Milan

Singapore

Stockholm

Travel Demand Reduction Potential

Traffic congestion in central city areas could decrease by 30%





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Parking Fee/Tax A fee or tax on off-street parking facility owners or users.

Examples

San Francisco: 25% tax Oakland: 18% tax Los Angeles: 10% tax Chicago: 18-20% tax Pittsburgh: 34% tax

Travel Demand Reduction Potential A 25% parking tax could reduce parking demand by 7.5%

Free to priced parking typically reduces solo commuting by 10% to 30%





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Required TDM for New Development

Reducing VMT with developer provided programs that could include transit passes, bike/carshare on site and real time transportation information displays.

Examples

San Francisco Oakland Buffalo, NY Fairfax County, VA Arlington County, VA

Travel Demand Reduction Potential Potential depends on TDM programs implemented and enforcement

From program research on similar programs, **solo commuting could decrease by 34%**





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Offer compliance flexibility or waivers for development of affordable housing

Provide technical assistance to cities for complementary parking policies





Parcel Lockers and Freight Consolidation Centers Reduction in delivery VMT by collecting and

storing freight at central locations.

Examples

London

West Sussex, UK (pilot)

Travel Demand Reduction Potential Consolidation centers could reduce mileage by 45% to deliver the same amount of goods

Parcel lockers could reduce emissions per parcel by over 66%





Parcel Lockers and Freight Consolidation Centers

Reduction in delivery VMT by collecting and storing freight at central locations.

Key Implementation Considerations to Support the Guiding Principles Incentivize use of low emission delivery vehicles (e.g. electric cargo bikes)

Design and site consolidation centers and parcel lockers appropriate to community and to realize VMT savings



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Next Steps Paper Release Event - September 26th, 6pm WeWork Valley Towers, Downtown San Jose

Electric Bike

Aligning Specific Strategies with Futures



What's Next for Strategies Identified?

Strategies will undergo further review and consideration in the months ahead, as we work with stakeholders & the public to consider the benefits of a particular strategy alongside its impacts.



FOR EXAMPLE:



