

Bay Area Infrastructure Financing Authority

Notice of Public Hearing

The Bay Area Infrastructure Financing Authority (BAIFA) proposes to adopt an amended and restated Toll Facility Ordinance for high-occupancy vehicle (carpool) lanes in Alameda County, Contra Costa County, and Solano County that will be operated by BAIFA as express lanes (BAIFA toll facilities).

Express lanes are high-occupancy vehicle (carpool) lanes that also allow any driver to choose to pay a toll to use the lanes during high-occupancy vehicle (carpool) hours of operation, subject to toll facility rules. BAIFA's express lanes on I-680 between Walnut Creek and San Ramon opened to the public in October 2017. BAIFA's express lanes on I-880 between Oakland and Milpitas are currently under construction and are expected to begin operations in summer 2020. Additional express lanes will be constructed and operated by BAIFA in Alameda County, Contra Costa County, and Solano County in the future.

The purpose of the Toll Facility Ordinance, as amended and restated, is to establish tolls and a toll collection process for the BAIFA toll facilities, to establish civil penalties for the evasion of those tolls or noncompliance with other policies set forth in the ordinance, to establish a program that addresses how motorists can enroll and participate in BAIFA's toll facility program, to add the I-880 Express Lanes as a new BAIFA toll facility, and to update certain other toll policies on BAIFA's I-680 Express Lanes for consistency.

BAIFA is a joint powers authority of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA). BAIFA is authorized by California Streets and Highways Code Section 149.7 and California Vehicle Code Section 40250 *et seq.* to adopt the ordinance and construct and operate the express lanes.

BAIFA will hold one public hearing to receive oral testimony and written comments about the amended and restated ordinance. Copies of the amended and restated Toll Facility Ordinance, together with certain statutes, rules or regulations incorporated therein by reference, being considered for adoption are on file with the Secretary of the Board of BAIFA, and are open to public inspection. Beginning on November 18, 2019, the amended and restated ordinance will be posted on MTC's website (<https://mtc.ca.gov/whats-happening/events/public-hearings>), and copies will be available at the Bay Area Metro Center, 1st Floor Hub, 375 Beale Street, San Francisco, California, 94105.

The public hearing will be held during BAIFA's regular meeting on:

Wednesday, December 18, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.

Bay Area Metro Center

Board Room, First Floor

375 Beale Street, San Francisco, California 94105

In addition, BAIFA will host two open houses at yet-to-be-determined locations and times in the I-880 corridor in December prior to the public hearing, and offer an online open house where the public can learn about and comment on the proposed amended and restated Toll Facility Ordinance through MTC's website. More detail will be posted on MTC's website (www.mtc.ca.gov/express-lanes under 'Policies') on or before November 18, 2019.

Written comments will be accepted until December 18, 2019 and may be submitted to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's (MTC) Public Information Office at 375 Beale St, Suite 800, San Francisco, CA 94105 or faxed to MTC at 415-536-9800 or sent via e-mail to info@bayareametro.gov. Please include "BAIFA Toll Ordinance" in the subject line. Written comments are due by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, December 18, 2019. For more information, call MTC's Public Information Office at 415-778-6757. Oral testimony will be received until the close of the public hearing on December 18, 2019.

After receipt and review of public comments and testimony, BAIFA will consider the adoption of the amended and restated Toll Facility Ordinance at its January 22, 2020 meeting. The amended and restated Toll Facility Ordinance will be effective 30 days after its adoption. For more information, call the MTC Public Information Office at 415.778.6757.

Do you need an interpreter or any other assistance to participate? Please call 415-778-6757. We require at least three working days' notice to accommodate interpreter requests. For TDD or hearing impaired, call 711, California Relay Service, or 1-800-735-2929 (TTY), 1-800-735-2922 (voice) and ask to be relayed to 415-778-6700.

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您是否需要翻譯員或任何其他幫助才能參加呢？請提前三天致電 415-778-6757。有聽覺或者語言障礙的人士，請打電話到 711，加州传达服务。电传打字机的联系号码是 1-800-735-2929。需要语音服务可以打电话到 1-800-735-2922，然后要求传达到 415-778-6700。

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