BART Silicon Valley Phase II Extension

San Jose, California

New Starts Project Development / Expedited Project Delivery Pilot Program Information Prepared May 2021

The Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) proposes to extend the Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) Silicon Valley service six miles from the Berryessa Station through downtown San Jose to the City of Santa Clara. The project includes four stations, five miles of subway tunnels, 48 heavy rail vehicles, two mid-tunnel ventilation and egress facilities, and a maintenance facility. The project is being implemented by VTA in partnership with BART. The project's current estimated capital cost is \$6.941 billion. VTA may seek up to \$1.735 billion from the Capital Investment Grants (CIG) program.

As an alternative to the CIG Program, VTA has applied for Federal funding from the Expedited Project Delivery (EPD) Pilot Program which is authorized by Section 3005(b) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act). VTA applied to the EPD Program in April 2021, and FTA deemed the application complete in May 2021. FTA is currently evaluating the application.

VTA indicates the project would provide rail service that will close the regional rail gap between East Bay and Santa Clara in the West Bay, increase transit ridership in a corridor with ever-increasing travel demand, and improve mobility options to employment, education, entertainment, medical, and retail centers in the corridor.

VTA selected a locally preferred alternative (LPA) in November 2001, which was adopted into the region's fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan in December 2008. The project entered New Starts Project Development in March 2016. VTA completed the environmental review process with receipt of a Record of Decision from FTA in June 2018. VTA anticipates receipt of a Full Funding Grant Agreement or a Letter of Intent under the EPD Pilot Program in 2021, and the start of revenue service in 2030.