

#### What is the RITC?

R Regional I Intermodal T Transit C Center









A near-term, realistic and affordable rapid transit alternative to I-80

A future transportation hub for West Contra Costa and southern Solano Counties, connecting a new train stop with bicycle, pedestrian, bus, carpool and potential future ferry service



The RITC is a future transportation hub for Hercules – located adjacent to Bayfront Transit Village - connecting a new train stop along the Capitol Corridor between Richmond and Martinez Stations with bicycle, pedestrian, bus, carpool and potential future ferry service. This multimodal, transit-oriented development will reduce the need for vehicle travel while delivering affordable, convenient alternative transportation options and connections to local and regional destinations/activity centers. The California Department of Housing and Community Developement has designated the RITC Project and adjoining Bayfront Transit Village as one of thirteen Catalyst Projects in the State of California.

#### Legend

Rail line



- - Possible Ferry Access

Major roads/freeways

SF Bay Trail



**Hercules** 

## **Regional Transportation Facts**



Northern California's most jammed freeway



Local and regional travelers dependent on I-80 to travel to San Francisco, Alameda County, South Bay and Sacramento



Limited transit options within the I-80 corridor requires travelers to drive on congested roads to access Capitol Corridor, BART or AC Transit stations

## **CONGESTION**



I-80 consistently ranked one of the most congested transportation corridors in the nation



**Traffic congestion** on I-80 is unpredictable any time of the day or night



Transit offers a higher capacity travel option per vehicle, which promotes fewer cars on the road



Congestion on I-80 restricts mobility for local residents and negatively impacts business activity in the region

RITC will increase transit options, diverting commuters from roadways to more safe, sustainable and efficient alternative ways of reaching their destination.



Commutes along I-80 projected to increase 23% by 2040

## **GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS & PUBLIC HEALTH**



I-80 traffic congestion directly contributes to **poor air quality** due to greenhouse gas emissions





RITC promotes health benefits by creating accessible and sustainable travel options that **lower stress, promote physical activity and improve air quality** like transit, walking and biking

RITC in Hercules supports many alternatives to driving. Less cars on the road will reduce the carbon footprint of the corridor.

#### **RITC Benefits**

RITC will provide travelers with multimodal connections to local and regional bus services, potential future ferry routes to San Francisco, and connections to the Capitol Corridor with access to Alameda County, the South Bay, and Sacramento. The RITC is designed to be safe and will accommodate mid-and end-of-century sea level rise (SLR) projections to 2067. In addition, the station, plaza, access roadways, and Bay Trail are all designed at an elevation above projected sea level rise. While the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) tracks, bridge, and associated platform were determined to potentially be impacted by sea level rise in the next 50 years, an adaptive management plan was developed to include strategies for raising UPRR facilities in order to address sea level rise future needs.





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linking West Contra Costa County to rest of Bay Area and Sacramento region 17
STATIONS

serving several counties in Bay Area including Sacramento, Alameda, San Francisco and Santa Clara counties

Capitol Corridor passenger train system provides a **fast**, **reliable**, **affordable**, **convenient**, **and less stressful** alternative to driving along congested I-80, I-680 and I-880 freeways.









Links to numerous local and regional bus services, providing a means for commuters to access RITC and serve as a key intermodal connection

**Future potential ferry** terminal allowing travelers to access through park and ride, drop-offs, transit, biking and walking. Ferry service would link the region to other ferry terminals in Bay Area

**Transit-Oriented Development** helping generate additional transit ridership, most of which would be walk access trips including residents of Pinole and Rodeo that use the San Francisco Bay Trails.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL** BENEFITS



## **ECONOMIC BENEFITS**

RITC diverts future automobile trips to rail and health benefits for area residents who walk and bike to the site.





Less automobile trips means:

- increased productivity (reduced time spent traveling)
- reduced vehicle maintenance and depreciation costs
- less traffic accidents

RITC will provide better access to current and future jobs

**TOTAL PROJECTED** 2040 VMT **REDUCTION** 

14,250 4.3M daily annually **TOTAL MONETARY** VALUE OF 2040 VMT REDUCTION

\$3,000 \$1M daily annually



## **Capitol Corridor System Map**



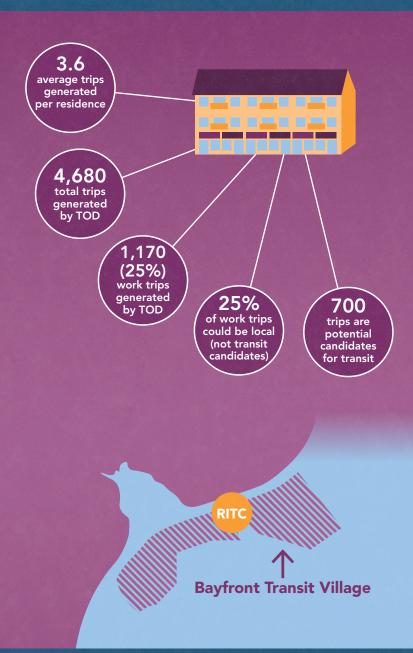
## **Capitol Corridor Boardings for RITC in Hercules**



### **Transit-Oriented Development**

Bayfront Transit Village, a new robust **Transit Oriented Development (TOD)** planned with 1,400 affordable residential units and 340,000 square feet of retail, commercial office and additional industrial/office space. Since the RITC will be within walking distance to the Bayfront Transit Village, it can generate additional transit ridership through local and regional bus as well as passenger rail, most of which would be walk or bike access trips. The RITC will help nearby disadvantaged communities improve the number and type of commute opportunities and provide access to retail and other services close to home and reduce overall trip demand, thereby contributing to social, environmental, economic and health benefits.

The RITC is located adjacent to the



### **Projected 2040 Station Boardings**



## Let's Get



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