



JPB Board of Directors
Meeting of February 3, 2022

Correspondence as of February 3, 2022

Subject

1 Bay Area Council Letter on Governance



Steve Heminger, Chair
Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board
1250 San Carlos Avenue San Carlos, CA 94070

February 3, 2022

Dear Chair Heminger and Joint Powers Board Members:

On behalf of the Bay Area Council, I want to thank you for continuing to work through a solution for three-county governance. It is essential to reach agreement to be able to focus on the ongoing high-priority issues including funding and completion of Caltrain electrification, ridership recovery and Covid-caused budget challenges, and working on regional processes relating to service coordination, and regional transit and rail discussions.

The Bay Area Council wants to thank MTC for their commitment to repay SamTrans for the right of way the Council encourages MTC to issue these funds as soon as possible. The Council believes that it is imperative that Caltrain be involved with the upcoming regional governance discussions as well as other rail business that need the agency's attention.

Given this progress, please conclude discussions today. If that is not possible, the Bay Area Council supports staff's recommendation to form an ad hoc committee to get this over the finish line.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Gwen Litvak', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Gwen Litvak
Senior Vice President, Public Policy