

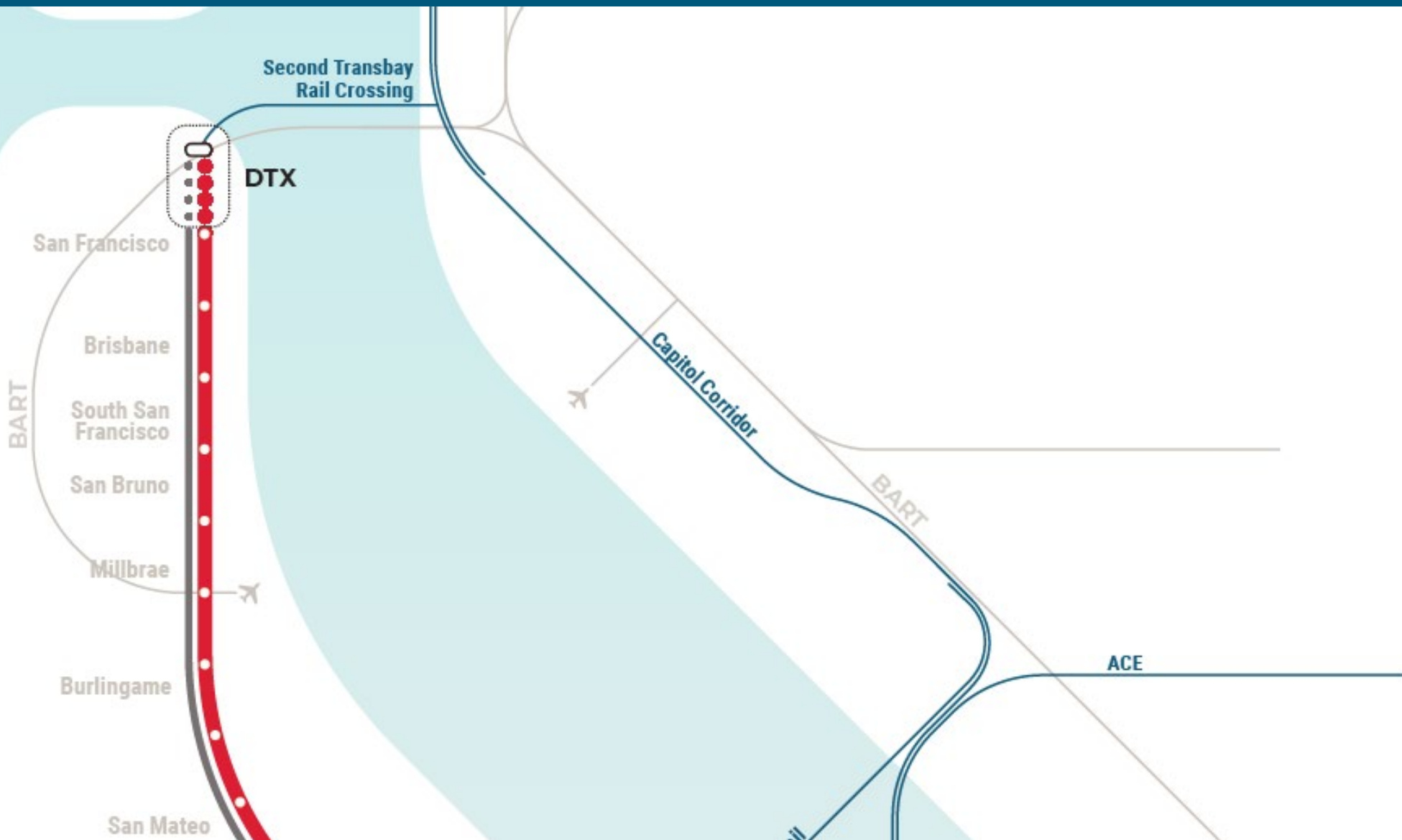
JPB Briefing

Link21 Program Update

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Link21 in Caltrain context



Caltrain Engagement in Link21

- Program is led by BART and Capital Corridor
- Caltrain staff provide limited input on technical assumptions
- Caltrain staff participate in periodic information-sharing groups led by Link21:
 - San Francisco Agencies – monthly
 - Project Development Team (Nor Cal megaregion transportation agency staff – has met ~ 3x in the past year)
 - Executive Project Development Team (Nor Cal megaregion transportation agency execs – most recent meeting September 2022)
- Although Link21 would have direct impacts to the Caltrain corridor, the program has not yet provided resources to Caltrain for thorough technical review and engagement, as it has for Capitol Corridor and BART.



	SF Railyards at 4th & King Caltrain Station
	DTX / Downtown Extension Tunnel (pre-construction)
	PAX / Pennsylvania Ave. Extension Tunnel (under study)
	Existing Caltrain Line
	Existing Railroad Crossings

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Planned Process

- **March AMP (Today)**
 - Informational update on the Link21 program, provided by Link21 Staff
 - Seeking input and guidance on Caltrain's engagement with and position on Link21 project prior to crossing-technology analysis findings
- **April BART Board**
 - Link21 will provide (for information) the crossing-technology analysis findings
- **May AMP (5/26)**
 - Caltrain staff will return to AMP with a proposed motion to **establish Caltrain's engagement and position** on the project moving forward
- **September BART/CCJPA Boards**
 - The BART and Capital Corridor (CCJPA) Boards will take action on the crossing-technology recommendation

Preliminary Project Principles

- Caltrain staff are considering the following principles for ongoing participation in the project:
 - Project must be cost-neutral to Caltrain
 - Caltrain staff must be engaged in and compensated for participation in the technical and organizational level.
 - Caltrain must have a decision-making role in any aspect of the program that ultimately operates on the Caltrain corridor.
 - Project design and operations must be compatible with and connected to Caltrain's existing and planned rail system and must not preclude Caltrain's 2040 service vision.
 - Safety and customer experience must be the primary focus of all planning, design, construction, and operations and maintenance decisions.

Questions for discussion following Link21 presentation

Staff is seeking guidance on Caltrain's engagement with Link21 project

Questions:

1. Do you have any feedback on the Preliminary Project Principles?
2. What else do you want to know about the Link21 program and its relationship to Caltrain?