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To: <u>SB125 Transit@CALSTA</u>

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Dear State Transit Transformation Task Force,

My name is Alvaro Ramos and I live in San Leandro, California (94577). Public transit is a priority for my city because we are a car dependent suburb that aspires to change.

I support the task force making recommendations on service and fare coordination; coordinated scheduling, mapping and wayfinding among agencies. They help to make transit more rider-friendly and increase ridership. I support the state of California to provide funding and tools, data standards, and for regions to implement coordination within the region - and to determine the boundaries of coordination.

I support the task force making recommendations on reducing capital construction costs and timelines, because it is essential to be able to address the state's goals cost-effectively. I would like to see the state of California's funding programs reformed along the lines of the recommendations of Californians for Electric Rail, to fully fund projects when the design is close to complete, to provide long-term funding for programs of projects, and to build up state capacity for design, planning, and engineering.

Sincerely,

Alvaro Ramos