Study Introduction: SamTrans Adaptation & Resilience Plan

Board of Directors May 2019



Study Scope

Study Cost \$218,120 Awarded October 2018		
Caltrans Grant	SamTrans Match	
\$193,102	\$25,018	

- The study will analyze SamTrans facilities' vulnerability to climate change impacts, including extreme heat and sea level rise, storm surge and flooding.
- The study will identify, evaluate and estimate costs for adaptation strategies to make SamTrans more resilient to these impacts.



Study Purposes

- Advise the Board of the scale of climate risks facing the organization
- Minimize the cost of climate impacts to SamTrans
- Inform short-, mid- and long-term capital investment, facilities and operational decisions
- Provide Action Alternatives that can be integrated into planning and policy
- Identify opportunities for SamTrans to mitigate climate impacts



What Other Agencies Have Done

- Integrated resilience into asset management
- Created resilient design standards
- Invested in new resilient infrastructure
- Prepared for long-term disaster management
- Modified or moved operations
- Hardened infrastructure

Bus Route Between Sepulveda and Roscoe Stations, Orange Line



Background:

The high speed bus route is located in an area with a high number of extreme heat days and experiences a high number of engine and air conditioning failure road calls. This area is

The Orange Line – route between Sepulveda and Roscoe Stations received an overall resiliency score of 6.4.

The network scored high in the following indicators: maintenance – day to day; compliance with current codes; availability of alternate route/mode choice; rerouting and communication plans.

The assessment scored low in the following indicators: implementation of resilience strategies based on design criteria; existence of vehicle, facility and busway design criteria to address resilience; awareness of supplier utility robustness; awareness of supplier utility redundancy; and supplier backup plan procedures.

Given that safe-to-fail is a relatively new approach, this was not considered for the design and construction of the Orange Line.

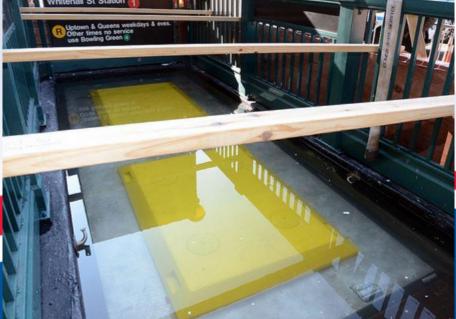
Resiliency Score = 6.4

Robustness = 6.1 Redundancy = 7.3



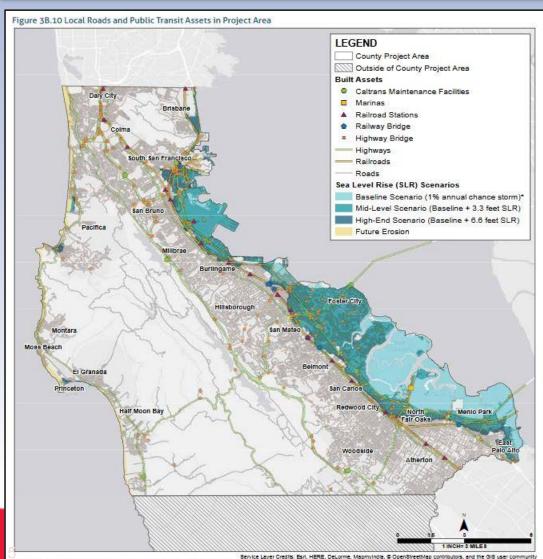








San Mateo County Projected Climate Change Impacts



"Local Roads & Public Transit Assets in Project Area"

County of San Mateo Sea Level Rise Vulnerability March Assessment 2018



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Data source: California Department of Transportation; David Ford Consulting Engineers 2013; California Department of Water Resources; Risk Characterization Study; United States Census Bureau 2015; San Mateo County Transit District 2015; California Department of Fish and Wildlife: Marine Region GIS Unit 2012.

SamTrans Plan Builds on Existing Resources

Date	Project Title
February 2017	Climate Change and Health Profile Report San Mateo County
March 2018	San Mateo County Sea Level Rise Assessment
2010 - Present	Adapting to Rising Tides
2017 - Present	Resilient By Design
2019 - Present	Sea Change San Mateo County



SamTrans Coordinating Regionally

SamTrans Working Group

Local SB1 Grantees

Municipal Planning

Resilient By Design

Transportation Working Group

SMC Climate Collaborative

Adapting to Rising Tides



Project Management Structure

SamTrans Board of Directors

General Manager

Jim Hartnett

Executive Steering Committee

Carter Mau (Deputy GM)
April Chan (Planning)
Derek Hansel (Finance/Treasury)
David Olmeda (Operations)
Seamus Murphy (Communications)

Advisory Team/ TAC

Representatives from:

- Caltrans
- SamTrans Facilities
- San Francisco Airport
- San Carlos Airport
- City of South San Francisco
- City of San Carlos
- County of San Mateo
- BCDC Adapting to Rising Tides
- Resilient By Design
- MIG

SamTrans Project Management Team

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Christy Wegner (Planning Director)

Louis Berger/ WSP Consultant Support



Study Deliverable Schedule

July 2019	North and South Base Sea Level Rise, Storm Surge and Fluvial Vulnerability Assessment
December 2019	SamTrans Heat Vulnerability Assessment
January 2020	Event Scenario Memo
February 2020	Workshops Discussing Study at Bus Bases
July 2020	North & South Base Sea Level Rise, Storm Surge, Flood and Heat Action Alternatives
October 2020	Action Alternatives Lifecycle Cost and Benefit Evaluation
February 2021	Final Adaptation & Resilience Plan



Board Review

May 2019	Study Introduction
Spring 2020	Update Board on Key Findings of Interim Deliverables
Winter 2020	Review Draft Study, Action Alternatives & Costs
Spring 2021	Adopt Study



Questions?

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