PROJECT FACT SHEET

The Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District, in coordination with the City of San Rafael, Marin Transit, Transportation Authority of Marin (TAM), and Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit (SMART), is working on a project to replace the San Rafael Transportation Center (SRTC). This project will include analysis and identification of potential sites for the transit center in downtown San Rafael, an environmental review process, and preliminary design.

What makes an effective transit center?
Transit centers are places where transit users can easily begin their travels, transfer between transportation services, access local destinations, and obtain information about their transportation options. An effective transit center is easy to access for all users, is safe and secure, and provides flexibility for current and future needs.

Why does the transit center need to be replaced?
With the SMART system extended further south to Larkspur, the tracks bisect the site where SRTC is currently located. This change impacts how buses and people access and travel through the site as well as the amount of space available for buses and riders. As a result, the transit center needs to be replaced in another location in downtown San Rafael.

Why does the transit center function best in downtown San Rafael?
Downtown San Rafael is the location at which several major north-south and east-west bus routes intersect (see graphic below). It is the ideal location to reduce riders' travel time, reduce operating costs, and reduce the amount of time buses spend on City streets. In addition, many people use the services at the transit center to travel to and from destinations in San Rafael.

What services does the transit center provide?
- Golden Gate Transit
- Marin Transit
- Ride Hailing/Taxi Services
- Bicycle Parking
- Airport Shuttles
- Greyhound
- SMART
- Pick-up/Drop-off
- Customer Service
- Retail

Where are people using the transit center going to and coming from?

Did You Know?
People get on and off buses at the transit center 9,000 times a day
4,500 people start or end their trips in downtown San Rafael
Over 500 buses pass through the transit center daily
PROJECT DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

The project includes the following primary phases:

1. Identification of Transit Center Alternatives - Build on previous planning efforts, such as the Downtown Station Area Plan and the Relocation Study, and identify potential transit center sites and configurations.

2. Environmental Analysis - Identify potential environmental impacts associated with the project.

3. Preliminary Engineering - Prepare initial designs for the transit center.

A preferred transit center location and configuration is anticipated to be selected in early 2021. Environmental analysis and preliminary design is anticipated to be completed in 2021. Subsequent project efforts will include final design and construction.

The project may be funded by a combination of federal, state and local funds.

The Golden Gate Bridge, Highway & Transportation District will serve as the lead environmental agency for the project. Marin Transit, TAM, the City of San Rafael, and SMART are all partners in the project.

SCHEDULE

Community engagement activities include:
Meetings, presentations, online surveys and in-person engagement at the transit center

Online Survey

STAY CONNECTED

View our website at: GoldenGate.org/SRTC

Take our survey at: bit.ly/SRTC_Survey

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