

# THE DOWNTOWN SAN FRANCISCO

# FERRY TERMINAL EXPANSION PROJECT

**FERRY RIDERSHIP HAS DOUBLED IN THE BAY AREA** since 2012 and is expected to continue to grow. To accommodate the demand and support one of the region's most beloved transportation modes, the San Francisco Bay Area Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA), in partnership with the Port of San Francisco, is leading the Downtown San Francisco Ferry Terminal Expansion Project to improve facilities and increase ferry capacity at the Downtown Ferry Terminal.

## A FERRY TERMINAL FOR THE FUTURE

**THE DOWNTOWN SAN FRANCISCO FERRY TERMINAL** currently accommodates four San Francisco Bay Ferry routes, serving more than 10,000 passengers daily via approximately 130 ferry arrivals and departures. The Expansion Project will add ferry capacity, improve pedestrian circulation and boarding, enhance emergency response capabilities, and accommodate anticipated increases in ferry ridership from new ferry services, which include Berkeley, Treasure Island, Redwood City, and Mission Bay as they are introduced through 2030.



THE FERRY BUILDING WAS ONCE ONE OF THE BUSIEST TRANSPORTATION TERMINALS IN THE WORLD, WITH 50 MILLION ANNUAL PASSENGER TRIPS IN 1930. THE RISE OF THE CAR, AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE AND BAY BRIDGE, LED TO A DECREASE IN RIDERSHIP. TODAY, INCREASINGLY POPULAR FERRIES CONNECT THE BAY AREA AND ARE A CRITICAL EMERGENCY ASSET.



**WATER EMERGENCY  
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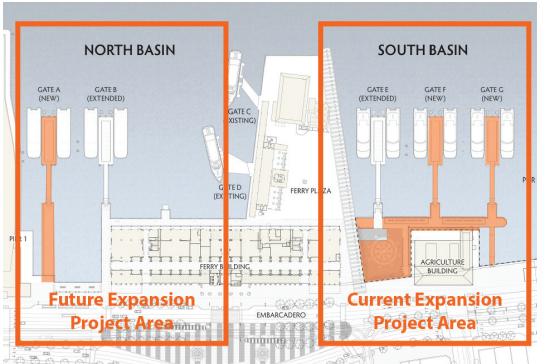
## BUDGET AND FUNDING

The current \$98 million project includes funding from State Proposition 1B, Regional Measure 2 toll revenue, the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Transit Administration, and San Francisco's Proposition K transportation sales tax.

## PROJECT SCHEDULE

WETA began construction in 2017 and the current project is expected to be completed in early 2020. The new Gate G opened in December 2018, serving passengers on the Alameda/Oakland route, and the new Gate F opened in February 2019, serving passengers on the Richmond

and Harbor Bay routes. The existing Gate E will be rebuilt over the next year as work continues on a new public plaza with amenities such as weather-protected canopies, an extension of the pedestrian promenade areas, and other public access improvements.



THE EXPANSION PROJECT WILL BE BUILT IN TWO SEPARATE CONSTRUCTION PHASES. FUNDING AND START DATE FOR THE NORTH BASIN PROJECT ARE STILL BEING DEVELOPED.

## INCREASING WATERFRONT RESILIENCE

THE SAN FRANCISCO WATERFRONT IS VULNERABLE to flooding from sea level rise as well as seismic activity. The Expansion Project increases waterfront resilience by strengthening this key emergency response and disaster recovery asset. The Project is designed for three feet of sea level rise with capacity to be raised in the future. The design also ensures the terminal remains functional in the event of an earthquake, BART or Bay Bridge failure or another unplanned event, while expanding space for WETA to stage emergency water transportation services.

## ABOUT WETA

### THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA WATER EMERGENCY

**TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (WETA)** is a regional public transit agency tasked with operating and expanding ferry service and coordinating the water transportation response to regional emergencies. Today, WETA operates daily ferry service under its San Francisco Bay Ferry brand, carrying roughly 3 million passengers annually. WETA is planning for a system that seamlessly connects cities in the greater Bay Area using fast, environmentally responsible vessels. The Port is leading a citywide effort with WETA and other partners to build a ferry landing in the city's growing Mission Bay neighborhood. Potential additional terminal sites, including Seaplane Lagoon in Alameda, Berkeley, and Redwood City, are on the horizon.