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**San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District Comments -  
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*Additional submitted attachment is included below.*



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**RE: Docket No. 20-TRAN-04**

Comments for Government Fleets Electric Vehicle Infrastructure

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Dear California Energy Commission Staff,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the proposed Government Fleets Electric Vehicle Infrastructure funding. The San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) supports CEC’s Clean Transportation program goal to “to develop and deploy innovative technologies that transform California’s fuel and vehicle types to help attain the state’s climate change policies.” This programs support the goals laid out in BART’s Board-approved [Electric Vehicle Charging Policy](#).

BART provides regional transit service, connecting five counties, and four of the Bay Area’s largest cities (San Jose, San Francisco, Oakland, and Fremont) on 135 miles of track with 50 stations. Pre-pandemic ridership was over 410,000 weekday passengers. Multiple transit agencies also connect to BART. The majority of BART’s passenger service is on electrified-rail, using 95% greenhouse gas free electricity in 2022.

We thank CEC staff for conducting its recent Pre-Solicitation Workshop for Municipal Fleets Electric Vehicle Infrastructure and soliciting feedback from stakeholders. BART welcomes the opportunity to work with the CEC to increase EV charging infrastructure. We compiled the following responses to questions posed in the workshop.

**Eligible Applicants**

BART supports CEC’s consideration to change the solicitation name from “Municipal Fleets” to “Government Fleets” and include special districts, like BART. BART owns over 600 non-revenue fleet vehicles, of which over 450 are light-duty fleet vehicles, including 125 police fleet vehicles. Due to the current financial situation of transit agencies across the state, BART is seeking external funding to support the electrification of its non-revenue vehicle fleet and welcomes the ability to participate in this funding opportunity.

**Streamlined Permits**

As a special district, BART does not issue permits for charger installation. BART would like to ensure that we are not penalized nor denied points for not having this function. BART respectfully requests that CEC staff determine a way for special districts to remain competitive if this criterion is awarded bonus points in the grant application.

BART welcomes the opportunity to work with the CEC on this program. Should you have any further questions regarding BART’s comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at [MMeaghe@bart.gov](mailto:MMeaghe@bart.gov). Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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