

Plan Bay Area		
January 2012 Public Workshops		
Open Comment Station		
County	Comments	
1	Alameda	Population growth of 2 million -- How do you know?
2	Alameda	175% wealth distribution -- explain that projection.
3	Alameda	Do illegal aliens factor into the growth?
4	Alameda	Are low income people being forced into high income areas?
5	Alameda	Explain whether financial coercive measures will be used to force local planners to implement the plan.
6	Alameda	What will be the "floor" for incentive funding to local jurisdictions.
7	Alameda	I don't want my community involved because we don't want regional control.
8	Alameda	Graph from Plan Bay Area doesn't show road investment - and it shows housing will be forced into PDAs.
9	Alameda	Greenbelt Alliance is causing housing to be unaffordable and using tax money to build affordable housing.
10	Alameda	This started with the UN. This plan is helping the UN. We don't agree with it. Do you want us to live in places with shops on the bottom, no cars and only public transportation?
11	Alameda	Planning is about control.
12	Alameda	If most people are against the plan, will you (MTC and ABAG) refuse to support it?
13	Alameda	Housing is being pushed upon people through regional planning and incentives.
14	Alameda	I would like this plan to provide cleaner air for myself and my family. I want to meet targets for GHG reductions.
15	Alameda	I want to live where transit is accessible and my needs are provided for (retail, etc.) in my community.
16	Alameda	How will change really relate to better air?
17	Alameda	I would like a civilized debate in this forum.
18	Alameda	Who is responsible for what's under the plan? Flow chart would be helpful. Who will put them together and when?
19	Alameda	What role does the state play? Local legislatures? Are the mayors requiring public input?
20	Alameda	This is a result of SB 375 being passed without a public vote. This will transform the lives of 9 million people and a few public workshops is not enough. It should have been on TV, everywhere and then voted on by the people. Local jurisdictions don't know enough.
21	Alameda	People are angry because this is the first opportunity to talk about the plan and now we are being told there is no plan. People don't know what they are voting on.
22	Alameda	Social equity is part of this. No one denies it and it is not in SB 375. This bill requires spending on stack and pack.
23	Alameda	There are many reasons jurisdictions cant say no - this is all due to social justice and redistribution of wealth.
24	Alameda	The developers will get CEQA waivers, so how will this reduce GHG?
25	Alameda	This is social engineering and deciding how we should live and that is wrong.
26	Alameda	Why was a 2nd Bart station built in Dublin instead of extending to Livermore? It was an inefficient use of funds. Was there public input?
27	Alameda	I don't want these subsidies. Jerry Brown killed the freeway and now we have 1,000 miles that should be freeways.
28	Alameda	What about diamond lanes - should buses use them?
29	Alameda	Transit needs to be accountable to the people.

30	Alameda	Transit should work like the 1950s when private companies operated it.
31	Alameda	The PDAs in Millbrae were met with resistance, same as Milpitas.
32	Alameda	How can we get the plans reworked?
33	Alameda	What is the next step before people can vote?
34	Alameda	Greenbelt Alliance has a pro-bicycle agenda.
35	Alameda	We need more time, the process is too fast, more info is required to vote.
36	Alameda	I represent all free people and this is social engineering through community manipulation.
37	Alameda	The developers will profit from economic development; the free market should decide housing and transportation.
38	Alameda	I grew up under the threat of eminent domain - a freeway was put behind my house and we couldn't sell.
39	Alameda	Voters should vote you out, 135 out of 200 (employees) make more than \$100K.
40	Alameda	We are here to take care of those who cannot care for themselves.
41	Alameda	I am concerned for generations to come. I'm an American, not part of any group.
42	Alameda	Has been to three meetings and this is the first time we have had questions listened to and answered.
43	Alameda	The voting is ambiguous.
44	Alameda	How will you incentivize use of public transportation. Are there dis-incentives to using cars?
45	Alameda	How will lower income people move up if middle class car use is made more expensive?
46	Alameda	Livermore BART would have increased housing density and residents were told to shut-up when citizens protested.
47	Alameda	Livermore hired a consultant to justify bringing BART to downtown Livermore.
48	Alameda	Urban growth boundary in Livermore is preventing a land owner from using his property freely (e.g. building a house).
49	Alameda	Measure O doesn't protect private property.
50	Alameda	Private property should not be voted on. Measure D was an illegal petition.
51	Alameda	We need a vote. We need a hand vote to see whether there is support.
52	Alameda	I'm a resident and want to see leadership at all levels and I want to see representation and dialogue.
53	Alameda	Housing for growing workforce is a big issue. How do we become more competitive?
54	Alameda	I appreciate the process and believe that the plan needs input for all stakeholders.
55	Alameda	The draft plan has moved the conversation by providing more housing and transportation choices.
56	Alameda	I appreciate the forum and have two recommendations: (1) provide more time for activities, this process takes a long time. (2) Provide more funding for PDAs because although they are good conceptually, they do not work without adequate funding.
57	Alameda	The decisions on this subject have already been made by developers and other interests.
58	Alameda	We are now expected to vote without enough info and vague voting questions.
59	Alameda	MTC is not democratically elected and it is not accountable to anyone. MTC doesn't report to citizens or reflect citizens' views.
60	Alameda	Someone tried to sign up and ended up on Greenbelt Alliance's mailing list.
61	Alameda	MTC treats the public with contempt at meetings - interruptions and using disrespectful behavior. This process needs to start over.
62	Alameda	I oppose the plan and the questions are skewed for the results you want.
63	Alameda	This plan will involve a lot of property and control over property rights.
64	Alameda	This plan will rezone (land) to mixed use, open space, etc.
65	Alameda	I request a summary following comments.
66	Alameda	Communities that are already dense need more livability investments (e.g. parks in Berkeley).
67	Alameda	Second round of plan has improved numbers for Berkeley.

68	Alameda	70's limits to growth. We need to talk about limits to growth here.
69	Alameda	It's helpful and educational to hear various concerns.
70	Alameda	Livable, complete communities are important; look for ways to incentivize.
71	Alameda	Meetings should be held in communities that will be most affected by these plans.
72	Alameda	Good transit is important.
73	Alameda	Consider money to develop schools; give priority over houses.
74	Alameda	These plans are based on incorrect assumptions, such as "government can create jobs." Texas has been growing jobs due to less regulations. Private business has to make a profit.
75	Alameda	Developers should be here.
76	Alameda	If you believe in property rights and freedom, you should be worried.
77	Alameda	Elected officials should be thinking about the constitution and serving the people they represent.
78	Alameda	Laws are being enacted that favor environmentalists.
79	Alameda	I'm disappointed that this side of the hill isn't better represented.
80	Alameda	Jobs classifications segregate people and communities.
81	Alameda	East Bay parks confiscate property on the Altamont.
82	Alameda	Your meeting facilitator should create a safe environment for this meeting.
83	Alameda	Consider whether you are keeping businesses intact with these plans.
84	Alameda	Creating class warfare is not helping the poor.
85	Alameda	Keep California strong by keeping business strong.
86	Alameda	Get BART around the Bay - use a bond issue.
87	Alameda	We need evening MTC meetings so people who work can attend.