

PITTSBURG / BAY POINT

PLANNING Since 1996 BART has been collaborating with the City of Pittsburg and Contra Costa County on the creation of a transit-oriented development Specific Plan for the Pittsburg/Bay Point BART station.

In June 2002, the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors certified the environmental document, selected the staff recommendation, adopted appropriate zoning and land use designations, and filed a Notice of Determination. It is anticipated that the City of Pittsburg will make similar findings in the near future.

BART and CCTA completed a feasibility study in 2003 that looked at a rapid transit extension eastward from Pittsburg/Bay Point to Byron. The study recommended the development of a system that utilized a diesel light rail technology operating on an existing freight right-of-way. BART initiated Preliminary Engineering and Environmental Review of the project in 2005. Money for the project, known as eBART, was included in the county sales tax measure and Regional Measure 2 (bridge toll increase).

DEVELOPMENT Contra Costa County has issued a development solicitation for property it controls immediately east of the Pittsburg/Bay Point station. The RFP calls for predominantly residential development in keeping with the adopted specific plan for the area.

BART has acquired 3.45 acres for surface parking adjacent to the existing parking lot. BART is pursuing funding for construction of these improvements.

REINVESTMENT This station had new energy efficient lighting fixtures and lamps installed throughout the station parking lot in 2003 and installed within the station in 2005 as part of ongoing station renovation program activities. This station has had upgraded replacement ADA-compliant platform edge tiles installed.