POWELL STREET

PLANNING Improvements to Powell Street Station are included as part of the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency's Mid-Market Plan. This has been enhanced by the recommended improvements to Hallidie Plaza that were identified in the 2004 charrette funded in part by the owners of the soon-to-open (2006) Bloomingdale's at San Francisco Center. Planning is also underway to make best use of the station space, which was studied in the 2004 Capacity Plan and found to be constricted in key areas (near the BART Police facility, in the mezzanine corridor between the fare gate areas, etc.) which may be affected when and if Muni's Central Subway is connected to BART at this station. The Muni Central Subway project is proposed to connect to Powell station and to the new Transbay Terminal Project.

The Powell station was studied in 2004 to analyze the critical areas of platform capacity, vertical circulation (stairs/escalators) capacity, and fare gate capacity.

DEVELOPMENT BART is negotiating special entrance agreements with Forest City Development for a Bloomingdale's entrance and with Millennium Partners and San Francisco Redevelopment Agency to consider what will become of the "tunnel" space between the station and and Yerba Buena Center. Owners of the Flood Building are also working with BART staff to address the possibilities of sub-street connections to the station. The Four Seasons high-rise tower, containing 150 housing units, 100 long-term hotel suites and 250 hotel rooms, is directly adjacent to the station and opened in 2002.

Construction is underway at the adjacent Mexican Museum and the Jewish Museum in Yerba Buena Center.

ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS The District is installing accessible fare gates to accommodate the access needs of customers in wheelchairs, bicyclists, and others with luggage.

REINVESTMENT This station was painted in 2003. This station will have upgraded replacement ADA-compliant platform edge tiles installed, pending the receipt of grant funds.