



# Eastridge to BART Regional Connector Stakeholder Working Group

June 24, 2021 6:30 p.m.

In Memoriam 5.26.2021



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# Meeting Agenda

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- Rollcall and SWG Members Update
- February Meeting Minutes
- Community Outreach Update
- Future of the Reid-Hillview Airport
- Project Status Updates
- Utility Relocation Overview
  - Underground Utility Relocation
  - PG&E Overhead Transmission Line Relocation
- Open Discussion
- Wrap up

# Zoom Webinar

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- Webinar is being recorded
- Microphones on mute
- Use your real name
- One person speaks at a time
- Raise hand to speak\*
- Code of Conduct - Respectful

# Zoom Meeting Code of Conduct

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- Treat all participants with kindness, respect and consideration
- Value a diversity of views and opinions
- Communicate openly, critiquing ideas rather than individuals
- VTA will not tolerate demeaning, discriminatory or harassing behavior and speech. VTA staff will remove participants who refuse to adhere to this code.
- **Ask for (and accept) help. Embrace the moment and try something new.**
- **Mute** your audio when you aren't speaking.
- **Raise your hand** if you'd like to speak and lower your hand after speaking.

# SWG Members

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- **Ernesto Barajas** – Cassel Neighborhood Association, District 5
- **Sandy Flores** – Capitol Park Goss Dobern Neighborhood Association, District 5
- **Julie Nunes** – Lyndale Neighborhood Association, District 5
- **Laura Arechiga** – Welch Park Neighborhood Association, District 8
- **Jeremy Barousse** – District 8 Roundtable, District 8
- **Craig Ferguson** – Thompson Creek Neighborhood Association, District 8
- **Andres Solomonoff** – Brahms/Edgeview Neighborhood Association, District 8
- **Jessica Molina** – Catholic Charities, First 5
- **John Petersen** – Eastridge Mall

# VTA Project Staff

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## Community Outreach and Public Engagement

- Kathleen Podrasky – Community Outreach Supervisor
- David Lovato – Public Communications Specialist

## Engineering and Program Delivery

- Ven Prasad, P.E. Project Manager
- Hassan Basma, Transportation Engineering Manager
- Ken Ronsse, Deputy Director, Rail & Facilities
- Ziad Dweiri, Project Engineer

# February 25, 2021, SWG Minutes

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- Tree Removal and Mitigation
- Construction Schedule – Regional Measure 3
- Overview of Bridge Construction
- Project Status Updates
- Community Outreach Overview
- 2021 Work Plan -
- Open Discussion
- Wrap up – Next Meeting/Next PAB meeting dates

# Community Outreach

- Ocala Field Visit
- PG&E notice
- Stakeholder email list
  - Eastridge to BART Regional Connector Policy Advisory Board

A screenshot of a mobile website interface. At the top, the status bar shows 'FirstNet' signal, '10:16 AM' time, and '97%' battery. Below the status bar, the URL 'vta.org' is displayed. An orange banner contains a warning icon and the text: 'VTA COVID-19 Information Center', '[vta.org/covid-19](https://vta.org/covid-19)', and 'June 1 - June 30: Please allow additional time to reach your destination as some buses may be canceled while VTA recovers'. Below the banner is the VTA logo, a search icon, and a menu icon. A white box with a teal border contains a teal envelope icon and the text 'Subscribe to Updates'. Below this is a text input field with the label 'Email Address (required) \*' and a teal 'SUBSCRIBE' button. At the bottom, a light gray box contains the text: 'Contact Customer Service', '(408) 321-2300 | [customer.service@vta.org](mailto:customer.service@vta.org)', and '| Online'.

# Community Outreach



VTA COVID-19 Information Center

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## Project Status

The project is in final design and VTA is securing right of way along the corridor to relocate underground utilities and the PG&E towers along the expressway. Once the utilities have been relocated, construction of the light rail extension can begin. Utility relocation will begin in mid 2021. For an updated schedule, please refer to the schedule located below, or contact Community Outreach.

- Stakeholder Working Group
- Environmental Documents
- Construction Notices

[Eastridge to BART Regional Connector: Fact Sheet \(Spanish\)](#)

[PG&E Gas Line Distribution Notice-May 12, 2021](#)

[2021 Third Addendum to the Final Second Supplemental Environmental Impact Report](#)

[Eastridge to BART Regional Connector: Fact Sheet \(Vietnamese\)](#)



# Eastridge to BART Regional Connector

Stakeholder Working Group Meeting

Project Status

June 24, 2021

# Project Status Update

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- Real Estate
  - Valley Water property acquisition is complete
  - Negotiations with Pacific Bowie continues
  - Discussions on FAA release of property continues
- Engineering
  - Working on the final bid documents
- Construction
  - Advanced Minor Construction Continues
  - Utility Relocation work has started

# Advanced Minor Construction

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- This work is needed for future widening of the road
- This work is to accommodate future relocated utility
- Removal of small building located at the northwest corner of Story Road and Capitol Expressway

# Utility Relocation Types

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## 1. Minor Underground

- A. Gas
- B. Electrical (distribution)
- C. Communication
- D. Water

## 2. Electrical Transmission Line

- A. Overhead wire
- B. Replacing towers with poles
- C. High voltage

# Utility Relocation Overview



 Underground Utility Relocation

 Electrical Transmission Line Relocation

# General Utility Relocation Work



Trenching



Place Conduit



Boxes and Vaults



Pull Cable



Steel Plates



Backfill Trench

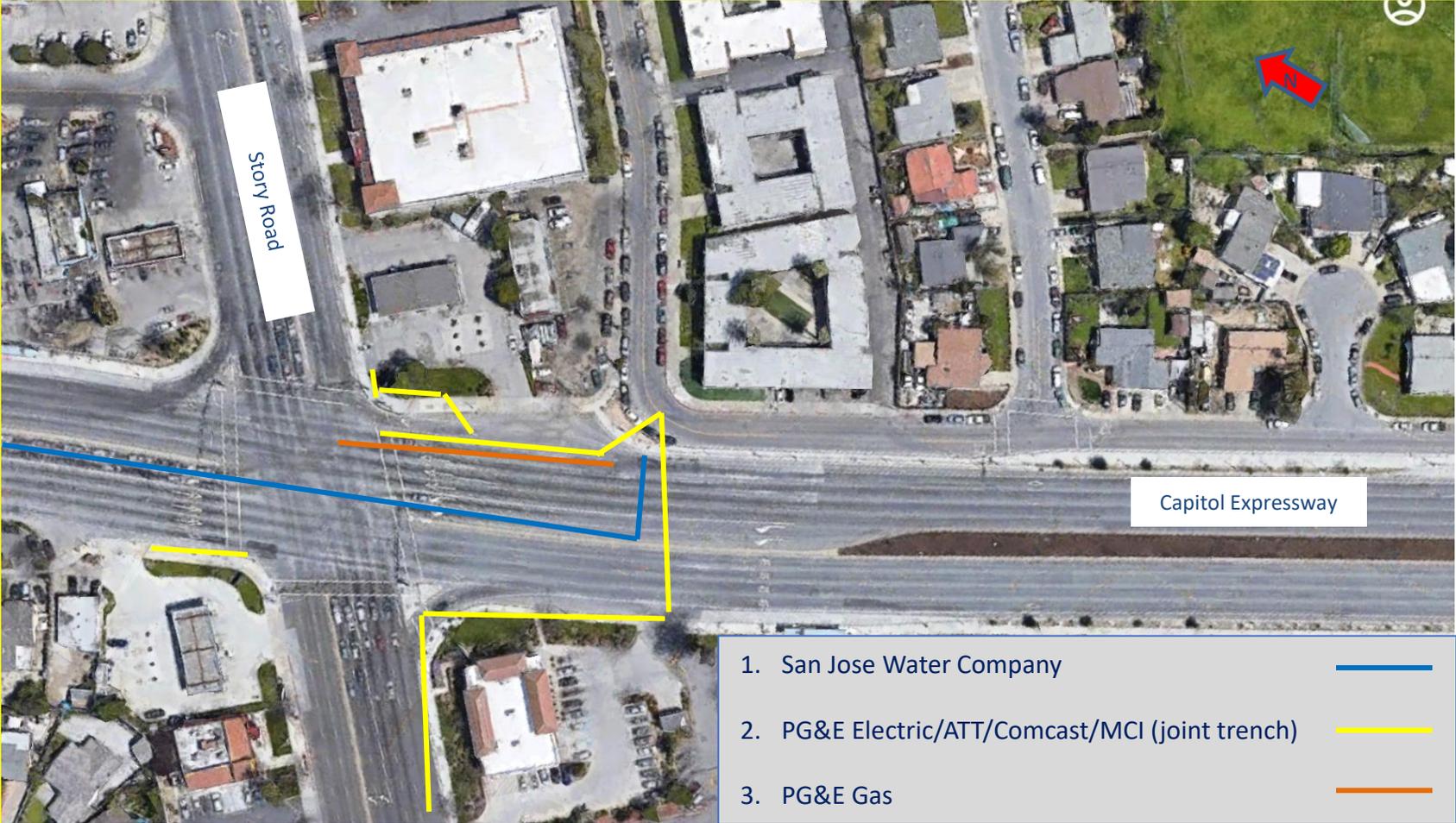


Pave Trench

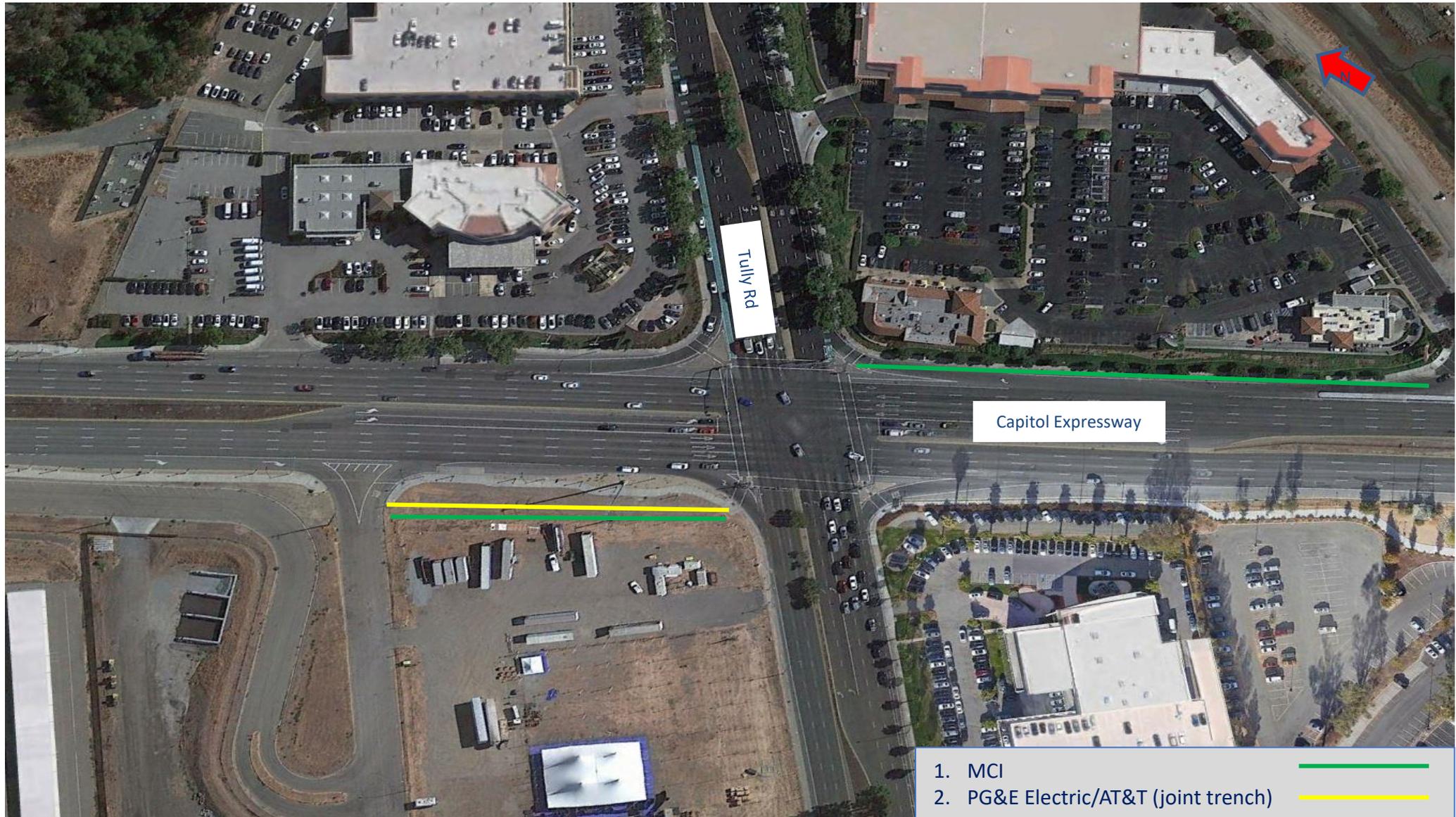
# Underground Utility Relocation on Capitol Avenue



# Underground Utility Relocation at Story Road



# Underground Utility Relocation at Tully Road



# PG&E Overhead Electrical Transmission Line Relocation



Existing Location  
With towers



New Location  
With poles

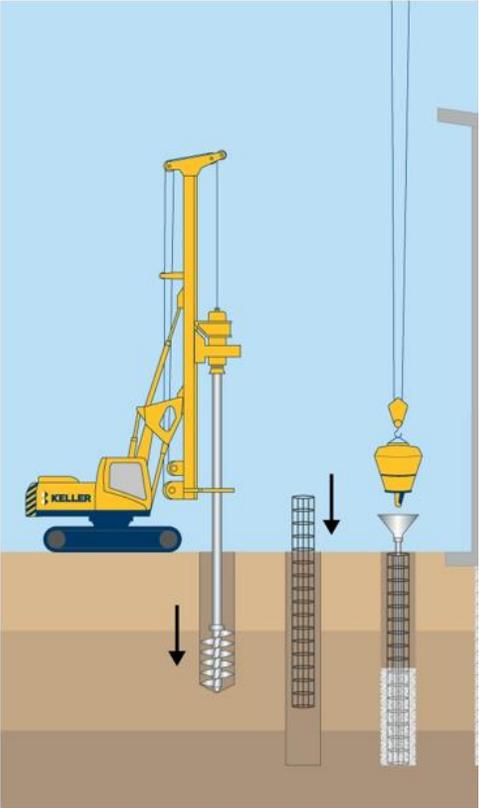


# PG&E Overhead Electric Transmission Line Relocation

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- Relocate to East side of Capitol Expressway
- Between Quimby road and Ocala Avenue
- Majority of work done at night
  
- **General relocation steps**
  - Build new pole foundation
  - Place new poles
  - Hang new wire
  - Remove existing towers

# PG&E Overhead Electric Transmission Line Relocation



Foundation Work



Drilling Auger



Tubular Steel Pole



Overhead Wires Installed

# Utilities Relocation Schedule

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- PG&E Underground Gas Relocation – In progress
- San Jose Water Line Relocation – August 2021
- PG&E Electric Transmission Relocation – September 2021
- AT&T, Verizon / MCI, Comcast, Zayo, Crown Castle – October 2021

# Open Discussion

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# Wrap Up

## Upcoming Meetings for 2021

- VTA Board of Directors, August 5, 5:30 p.m.
- EBRC –SWG, August 26, 6:30 p.m.
- EBRC-PAB: September 15, 2021, 4:00 p.m.

## Stakeholder Working Group 2021 Dates

- February 25, 2021, 6:30 p.m.
- ~~May 27~~ June 24, 2021, 6:30 p.m.
- **August 26, 2021**, 6:30 p.m.
- November 18, 2021, 6:30 p.m.

## Information Posted [www.vta.org/eastridgetobart](http://www.vta.org/eastridgetobart)

- Recording of webinar will be available VTA's YouTube channel and linked on the project page .



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