

# Monterey Bay Area Rail Network Integration Study PROJECT FACT SHEET



# **OVERVIEW**

The Monterey Bay Area Rail Network Integration Study guides the region toward robust passenger rail service connecting Monterey Bay communities and the Central Coast to the San Francisco Bay Area, the Los Angeles Basin, and beyond.

### **Benefits:**

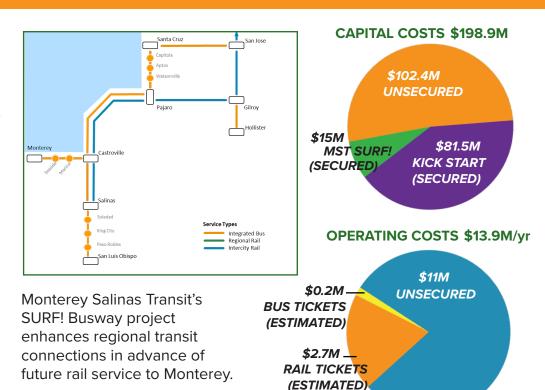
- Envisions an integrated train and bus network that will support regional growth
- Protects the region's natural beauty
- Meets transportation and economic needs of residents, visitors, and local business
- Supports state and federal climate action and equity goals.



# **INITIAL SCENARIO**

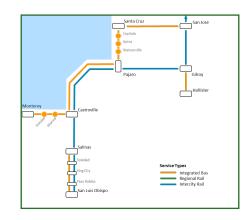
The Initial Service scenario creates a regular passenger rail connection between the Monterey Bay Area and San Francisco Bay Area and lays the foundation for future expansion.

Initial Service involves extending three rail round trips on the Union Pacific Railroad Coast Subdivision between Salinas and San Jose (known as the "Kick Start" project) with connecting bus service to Monterey, Castroville, Hollister, Santa Cruz, and San Luis Obispo.



# PHASED SCENARIO

The Phased Service scenario increases passenger rail from peak period-oriented service to all-day, bi-directional hourly service between Gilroy and Salinas, plus four daily round trips extending from Salinas to San Luis Obispo. Bus service expands to operate hourly between Santa Cruz and Monterey and connect with hourly train services at Pajaro and Castroville. Bus service to and from Hollister connects with hourly train service at Gilroy. Bus connection between Salinas and San Luis Obispo operates every four hours.



### VISION SCENARIO

The Vision Service scenario represents a long-term vision for rail service in the Monterey Bay Area and Central Coast. Trains operate hourly service between Salinas and San Jose; train service to/from San Luis Obispo increases to bi-hourly service. New regional rail service connects Monterey and Santa Cruz using electric battery or alternative fuel trains, providing timed, cross-platform connections to/from intercity rail service at Castroville and Pajaro.

