# Operability Retrofits for BART's North Oakland Aerial Guideways







# 2013 Western Bridge Engineers Seminar



- BART System
- BART's Earthquake Safety Program
- Vulnerability Study and Seismic Performance Criteria
- Retrofit Design
- Retrofit Construction





#### **BART System**



#### 5 Lines

#### 104 Miles

- 37 Miles on Underground Track
- 23 Miles on Aerial Track
- 44 Miles on Surface Track

#### **4-County Service Area**

- Alameda (19 Stations)
- Contra Costa (10 Stations)
- San Francisco (8 Stations)
- San Mateo (6 Stations)





# **BART System**



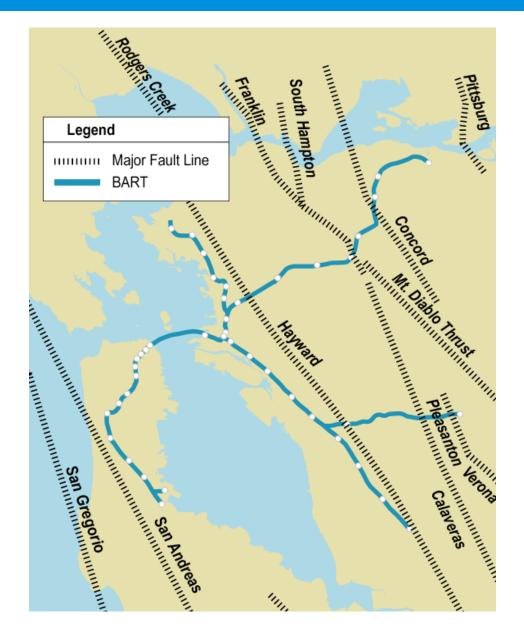
- 360,000 Passengers Daily Peak
- Without BART, translates to an Additional 60 to 80 Minutes Commute Delay along the Hwy 24 Corridor and Other Roadways
- Public Investment Conservatively Valued at \$15 Billion

**Earthquake Safety Program Voter Approved!** 





# Bay Area Earthquake Hazard



- Hayward Fault Parallel to BART/ Crosses BART
- 1868 Last Major Rupture of Southern Hayward Fault (130- to170-Year Return Cycle)





#### Vulnerability Study

- Assessed the BART system's vulnerability to large earthquakes.
- Assessed how a seismically-upgraded system might perform after similar earthquakes.
- Assessed the benefits and costs of various levels of retrofit.





# Vulnerability Study Findings

#### **Potential Life Safety Issues**

- Transbay Tube Critical Link in System
- Aerial Guideways Located Throughout System
- Stations





#### Seismic Performance Criteria

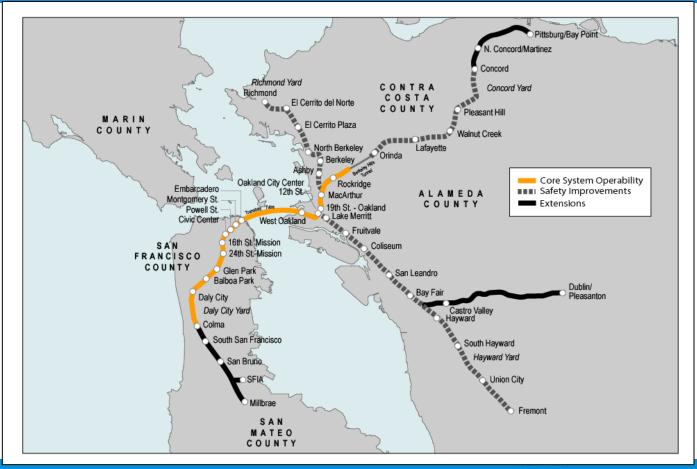
Safety Performance Level – protect life safety by preventing a collapse limit state per Caltrans MTD 20-1. Maintain structure vertical load capacity following the Design Basis earthquake. Rocking and damage is allowed, but no collapse.

Operability Performance Level – limit structure damage so train operations can continue following the Lower Level Design Basis Earthquake [LDBE]. No pile damage and limited rocking of spread footings





# Core System Operability, Systemwide Safety







#### **Ground Motions**

- Design Basis Event (DBE)
  - Transbay Tube: Greater of Deterministic m + 1.0 σ or Probabilistic 1,000 year return period
  - Other Structures: Greater of Deterministic m + ½ σ or Probabilistic 500 year return period
- Lower Design Basis Event (LDBE)
  - Transbay Tube: Greater of Deterministic m + ½ σ or Probabilistic 500 year return period
  - Other Structures: Deterministic median ground motions





# Seismic Analysis

**Structure Models** – displacement demand and capacity is determined in a generalized controlled deflection of the structure

**Analysis** – Caltrans Rocking Analysis Priestly SSRPO-91/03

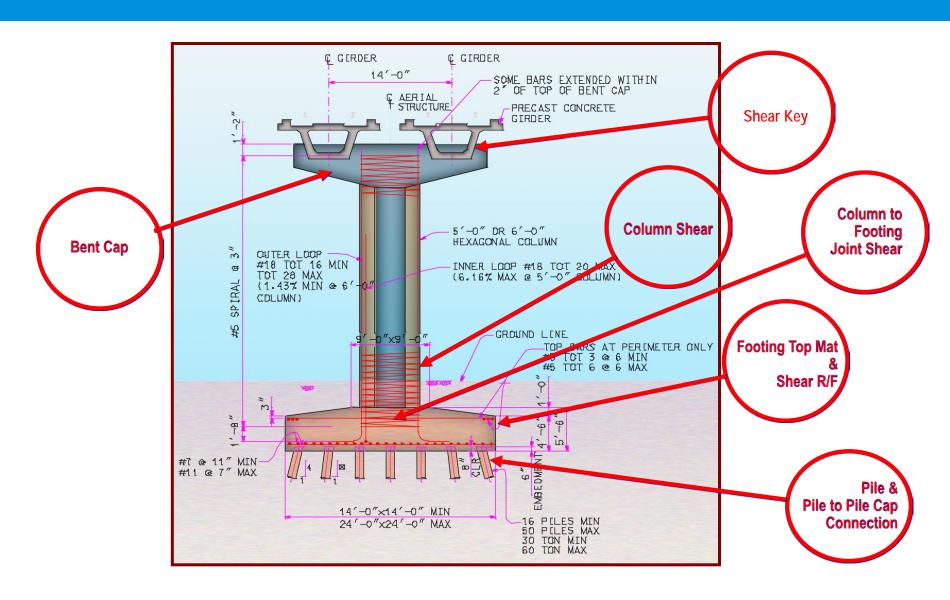
**Displacement Demand** – conforms to CBDS, BDA, MTD, & SDC v 1.3

**Displacement Capacity** – non-linear push over analysis – concrete or steel strain limits





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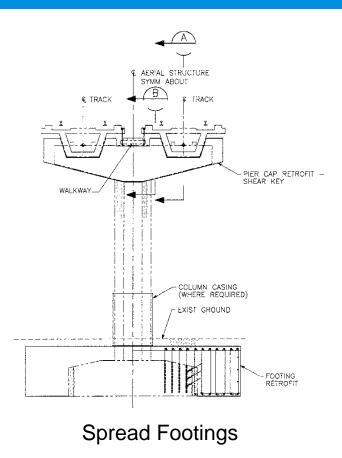








# Typical Operability Retrofits



AERIAL STRUCTURE SYMM\_ABOUT € TRACK € TRACK PIER CAP RETROFIT -WALKWAY COLUMN CASING (WHERE REQUIRED) EX'ST GROUND FOOTING RETROFIT

Pile Foundations





