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Battery Powered

BUILDING PROGRESS Electrification Program

Board of Supervisors
Land Use and Transportation Committee
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Climate Action at SFMTA

The SFMTA's approach to mitigating climate impacts and reducing transportation sector emissions includes diverse and holistic multimodal strategies

SFMTA is committed to transforming San Francisco's Transit Fleet to Battery Electric Buses as per our Zero Emission Vehicle Policy

This transformation will be complex, and timing will be critical to ensure that Muni can provide reliable service to the public.

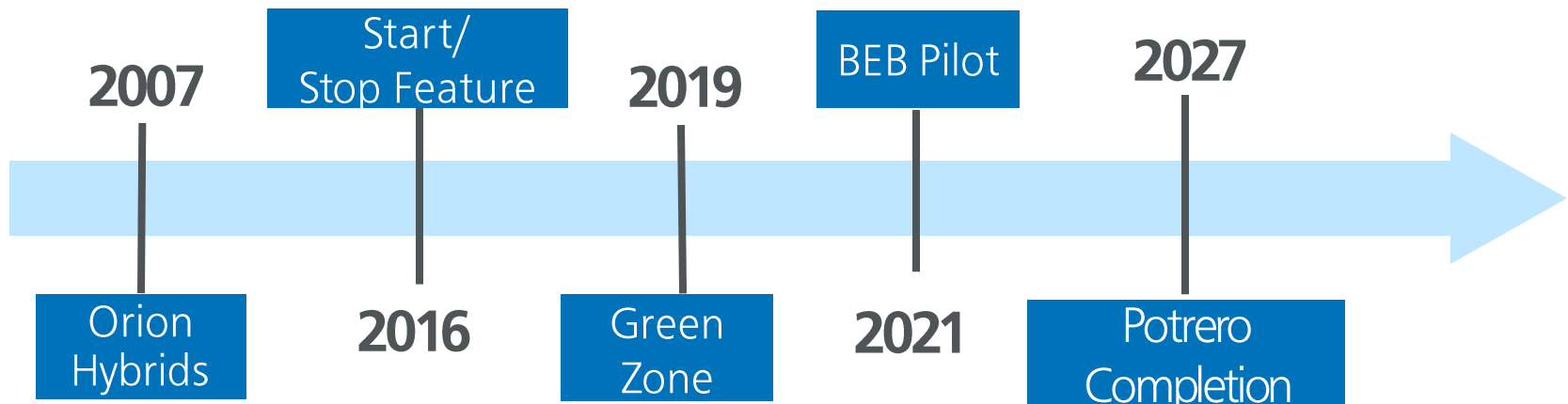


Progress Towards Zero-Emission Policy

Recent Accomplishments

- Launched a 40' Pilot program to test Battery Electric Bus (BEB) – first buses arrived this spring and are undergoing testing
- Initiated construction of scalable charging infrastructure for the BEB pilot program at Woods Division
- Completed the Design Criteria Document and Request for Qualifications Process for the Potrero Yard Modernization Project, the SFMTA's first purpose-build BEB facility

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Bus Procurement Schedule



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- **2021:** 30 x 30' Replacement Hybrid Electric Buses
- **2025:** 112 x 40' Replacement Hybrid Electric Buses
 - The SFMTA may utilize 30 bonus credits: 18 from our existing trolley buses and 9-12 for our planned electric bus pilot to meet the ICT regulation.
 - The SFMTA needs next 6-9 months to evaluate the feasibility of meeting the ZEV policy.
- **2027 and onward: 100% zero-emissions buses**



Challenges



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**Ongoing Fiscal
Uncertainty**

Timing

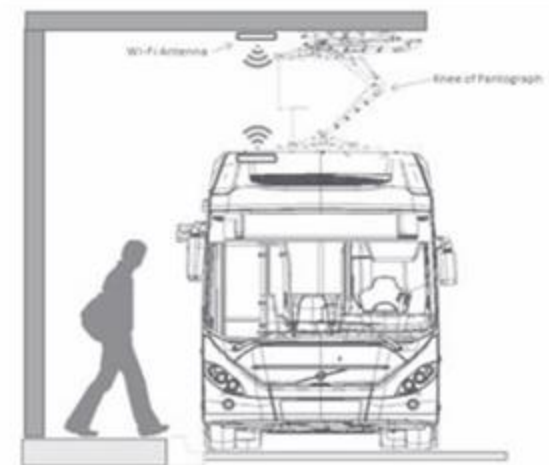
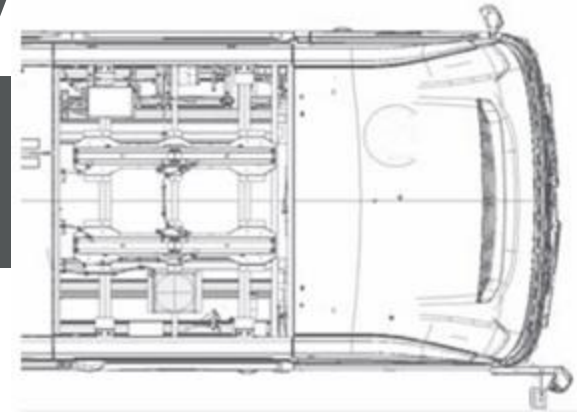
Complexity

**COVID 19 Impacts
and Future Resiliency**

Timing of Facilities Upgrades

Charging infrastructure must be in place in advance of procuring BEBs

- Facility capital projects have long lead times – 3-5 years for retrofit, and 6-10 years for full rebuild projects
- Potrero will be the first purpose-built BEB facility and is planned to be completed in 2026; planning phase began in 2017
- Transitioning of all facilities is a complex process that relies on delivery efficiency and related project phasing.



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Facility	Current Fleet Capacity & Type	Project Timeline	Comments
Potrero	93 – 60ft Trolleys 53 – 40ft Trolleys	2024-2027	Rebuild to 213 capacity
Kirkland	91 – 40ft Hybrids	2024-2027	Likely Retrofit (under analysis)
Flynn	119 – 60ft Hybrids	2025-2028	Retrofit
Presidio	132 – 40ft Trolleys	2028-2031	Rebuild to 225 capacity
Islais Creek	105 - 60ft Hybrids 10 - 30ft Hybrid	2030-2033	Retrofit
Woods	221- 40ft Hybrids 20 - 30ft Hybrids	2034-2037	Likely Rebuild (under analysis)

Complexity

BEBs require extensive power above existing power capacity at SFMTA facilities.

- Provision of new electrical service and any associated grid improvements are dependent on PG&E's commitment to deliver the required grid upgrades in a timely manner
- Significant coordination and collaboration with PG&E
- Facility rebuilds requires significant logistical planning to ensure transition minimizes disruption to service

Risks

Frequent and reliable transportation is dependent on *reliable power*.

Woods E-Bus Pilot Chargers

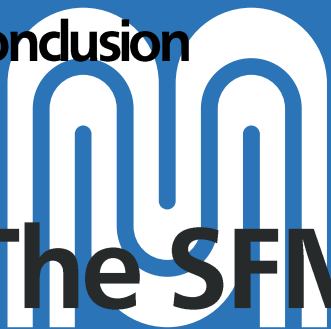
- Wholesale Dist. Tariff Application – 8 months
- System Impact Study – *not 60 days* – 6 months
- Service Agreement - 5 -12 months

**Haight Street Signals
(10 intersections)**

- 12-months for service connection **AFTER** completion

- Need service contracts for traffic signals and other traffic management systems
- Delays in agreements results in public project and service delays increasing short-term project costs
- Worst case is to tie into old electrical infrastructure rather than a new service connection, impacting reliability and maintenance and long-term operating costs

Conclusion



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The SFMTA is working to transform our transportation system and electrify our transit fleet.

A reliable partner, who can provide reliable power, will be critical to avoid risks, costs, project and service delays.